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Specials

Monday, April 20:
Meatballs, Cheesy Potatoes, Roasted Carrots, Snickers Salad

Thursday, April 23:
Ham & Swiss Croissant
BLT, Big Mac Salad, Potato Salad

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Walk across the United States

Scott is from Scotland, and he is making his way through Graham County, Kansas, on his journey to walk across the entire United States! Deputy Reif was lucky enough to meet up with him and check on him as he makes his way East! The Graham County Sheriff's Office wishes you the best of luck on this long journey!
Follow Scott on TikTok: craigferguson_1

BOGUE NEWS - LIZ VANLOENEN

The Auto-Art Museum will be open starting April 10th. They will have an artist of the month going forward. Phyllis Weller will be the artist for the first month.

The Hospital Auxiliary is giving a \$500 scholarship to any high school senior going into the medical field. The deadline is April 15th. Send applications to Liz VanLoenen at PO Box 10 Bogue, KS 67625.

It was great being able to watch the women and men's March madness.

The blood drive will be at the high school April 23rd from 8 am to 2 pm. Call Liz to schedule an appointment. The FFA are the sponsors.

Bogue received 10" rain Friday evening, March 26th. At midnight, it was raining hard with thunder and lightning. We really need more moisture.

There was a large crowd at the Cantata in Damar Wed. night, April 1st. Adam VanLoenen came clear from Kansas City to hear the Cantata and see his grandmother, Liz, in the Cantata. That is such a beautiful church to sing in.

The funeral for Meredith (Trexler) Drees was held Thur. morning at the Catholic Church in Hill City. Liz attended the funeral.

Word was received of the death of Gene Normandin. His funeral is Monday the 13th in Damar.

There was a large crowd at the Easter egg hunt in Bogue Saturday morning. There were 61 kids. Lucy, Levi, and Jake VanLoenen won the prizes. Thanks to everyone who made this possible.

There was a nice crowd who attended the 6:30 am sunrise service at the Bogue Church for Easter. A big thank you to Phyllis Weller who played the piano and Liz on the organ. There were several who attended the breakfast and egg hunt afterwards. A big thank you to Rick Johnson for being in charge of the breakfast.

Saturday dinner guests of Liz after the egg hunt was Eric, Levi, and Lucy VanLoenen of Hoxie, Alex, Caley, Laney, and Jake VanLoenen, Bruce and Tammy VanLoenen, and Adam VanLoenen and Makayla King of Overland Park. Gine VanLoenen of Hoxie called later. All of these people and Bryan VanLoenen were Sunday dinner guests of Liz at the farm.

The Loren Johnson family met at the farm for Easter Sunday.

Sunday guests of Bobbie, Frank, and David Holsman for carry-in meals were Mike, Annette, Abby, and Jacob Wetter, Dawson Olivia, Birch, and Maggie Lou Lemmer of Colby and Lyndon Hein of Hoxie.

PROM Night

Prom King and Queen:
Maxx Blanks and Rylie Minium



Senior Class- Kloe Stinemetz, Sarah Christian, Johanna Shellito, Rachel Walter, Kayden Simmons, Jalyynn Flax, Kamryn Mauck, Kyra Bell, Kiriana Bates, Rylie Minium, Cady Dooley, Megan Carder, Regina Baldwin, Vincent Zohner, Aiden Hall, Ryan Budig, Tyler Ashbaugh, Luke Elliott, Maxx Blanks, Shawn Morris



Junior Class- Cadee Vlieger, Katlynn Kyllonen, Zoe Farrar, MaryAnne Christian, Hailey Carder, Eva Hart, Dakota Ottley, Cora Ashmore
Shaun Jewell, Brody Nuss, AJ Deges, Chase Bell, Kenley Gugelman, Mitchell Presley, Case Haynes, Chance Poe, Colin Owen



Servers left to right- Corbin Jones, Kiptyn Stewart, Blake Harmon, Kason Mauck, Briggs Born
Jenn Bartlett, Taylor Schneider, Jenna Berland, Greeley Billips

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April 18 7 pm | April 19 6 pm
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 Pop, popcorn, and candy available

Prairie Trails Golf Course News

Three-Man Scramble Tuesday Night - High School Teams Start Season

By Bob Dombroski

On April 7, Prairie Trails Golf Course hosted Men's Tuesday Night Golf, drawing a crowd of twenty-one players. The event featured a scramble format where teams were randomly assigned by drawing names from a hat, resulting in seven groups competing over nine holes. Players teed off from either the white or gold tees, with selections based on age.

The team of Todd Ashbaugh, Jarod Rohr, and Fred Owen delivered an impressive performance, carding an exceptionally low score of 28. Their consistent birdies on holes one through four and six through eight secured them a well-deserved first place. Ashbaugh distinguished himself further by winning both flag prizes for closest to the pin on the par three holes, earning a gift certificate from 2 Lane Liquor and a \$10 cash prize from Nex-Tech.

Dombroski, and Don Hayes. Derek Keith, Chris Normandin, and Fab School Varsity Tournament at 1 PM

Meanwhile, the Ringneck varsity high school golf team secured third place at the Salina Sacred Heart Tournament on April 7, competing against 68 participants and achieving a team score of 340. Individual highlights included AJ Degas placing seventh with an 80, Case Haynes twelfth with an 85, Kenley Gugleman seventeenth with an 87, Chase Bell eighteenth with an 88, Tate Balthazor nineteenth with a 90, and Ryan Budig thirtieth with a 97. The team's next challenge will be at Shady Bend Golf Course in Osborne on April 14.

The Ringnecks junior varsity team also made a strong showing, claiming first place at the Trego JV Tournament held at Big Creek Golf Course in WaKeeney on April 7. Their team score of 184 stood out among 62 golfers, with Mitchell Presley earning top honors with a 41, followed by Blake Harmon (45), Chance Poe (47), Brody Nuss (51), Hailey Carder (51), Corbin Jones (52), and Taylor Schneider (58).

Overall, the recent tournaments are setting the stage for an exciting golf season ahead.

Other notable scores included Kaleb Atkins, Joey Bellerive, and Cameron Atkins who finished with a 36, and Bronson Bailey, Landon Jones, and Monty Long who posted a 37.

Men's Tuesday Night Golf will continue throughout the season, with sign-up at 5:45 PM and play beginning at 6 PM each week.

Upcoming Prairie Trails Golf Course events include:

- Friday, April 17: Hill City High School Junior Varsity Tournament at 1 PM

- Thursday, April 30: Northwest KS 2-Person Senior Social at 9 AM (limited carts available; contact Don Newell at 615-796-4798 or Gary Long at 755-627-6009)

- May 2 & 3: Hill City 6th Annual Tee Off Classic 2-Man (contact Nate Budig at 785-743-8070 or Todd Ashbaugh at 620-897-7654)

Trailing the leaders by four strokes, Wade McDowell, Chuck Crook, and Sylar Rohr finished second with a score of 32, despite a challenging three-putt on Hole No. 6. Several teams tied for third place with scores of 33. These included Chris Schroeder, Chris Orr, and Shay Simoneau, as well as Mike Davignon, Bob

Legal Notice

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GRAHAM COUNTY
 STATE OF KANSAS
 NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION

I, Kendra Robinson, County Clerk/Election Officer of Graham County, State of Kansas, having received a certified list of National and State offices and in accordance with KSA 25-204, I do hereby make official publication of so much thereof as is applicable to this County.

NATIONAL AND STATE OFFICES

- One candidate for United States Senate
- One candidate for United States House of Representatives, 1st District
- One candidate for Governor/Lt. Governor
- One candidate for Secretary of State
- One candidate for Attorney General
- One candidate for State Treasurer
- One candidate for Commissioner of Insurance
- One candidate for State Representative, 110th District
- One candidate for Member, State Board of Education, 5th District

COUNTY OFFICES

- One candidate for County Commissioner, District #1
- One candidate for County Treasurer (for unexpired term)

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POLLS IN GRAHAM COUNTY will be open at the following locations:

Graham County Courthouse Advance Voting: All Registered Voters - July 15th - August 3rd, Monday - Friday, 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. & August 4th, 8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Graham County Courthouse Election Day: All Registered Voters-Election Day-August 4th, 7:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed my official seal this 9th day of April 2026.

Kendra Robinson
 Kendra Robinson
 Graham County Clerk



Trego JV Tournament, First Place Team-184. Mitchell 1st (41), Blake 4th (45), Chance 9th (47), Brody 15th (51), Hailey 16th(51), Corbin 17th (52), Taylor 35th (58). Total of 62 participants. Good job!!



The HCHS golf team placed third at the Salina Sacred Heart Tournament with a 340 score. AJ (80) 7th, Case (85) 12th, Kenley (87) 17th, Chase (88) 18th, Tate (90) 19th, Ryan (97) 30th. Total of 68 participants. Great job Ringnecks!

Community comes together for successful produce distribution



Thanks to a valued partnership with the Kansas Food Bank and generous donations from Midland Marketing, our community experienced another successful mobile produce distribution on April 1st.

A total of 125 produce boxes were distributed to local residents, helping increase access to fresh, healthy foods. Community members began lining up as early as 10:00 a.m.—even before the delivery truck arrived—demonstrating the strong need for and support of this program.

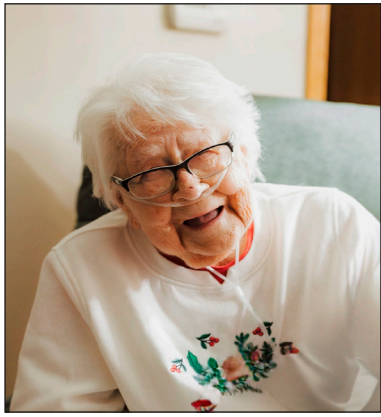
This event would not have been possible without the dedication of our volunteers, who helped ensure everything ran smoothly from start to finish. Their willingness to serve continues to make a meaningful impact in our community.

We are grateful for the partnerships and community spirit that make initiatives like this possible. (courtesy Graham Co Health Dept.)

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Obituaries



Eula Marie Hutchinson
 May 18, 1930 - March 28, 2026

Logan resident, Eula Hutchinson, passed away on Saturday, March

28, 2026, at the Graham County Hospital, in Hill City, Kansas, at the age of 95.

Eula Marie Hutchinson was born on May 18, 1930, in rural Phillips County, Kansas, to her parents Glenn and Reba (Brotmarkle) Reese.

Eula was united in marriage to Earl Gene Hutchinson on June 6, 1950, in Logan, Kansas.

Eula is preceded in death by her husband Gene Hutchinson, parents Glenn and Reba Reese, grandson John Voss, great grandson Wyatt Davis, great granddaughter Abrienne Davis, and son-in-law Ray Davis.

Survivors include son Boyd Hutchinson and wife Myra of Logan, Kansas, daughters Wanda

Davis of Elkhart, Kansas, Glenna Wright and husband Jerry of Logan, Kansas, Anna Hutchinson of Morland, Kansas, and Billee Sell and husband Robert of Fairfield, Texas, as well as 10 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren, and 5 great great grandchildren.

A funeral service in memory of Eula was held on Wednesday April 1, 2026, at 2:00 p.m., at the First Christian Church of Logan, with Pastor Troy Buss officiating. Eula was laid to rest at the Pleasant View Cemetery of Logan, Kansas.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Logan Fire Department and mailed to Huginin Family Funeral Homes, PO Box 563, Phillipsburg, Kansas 67661.



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| <p>ASSEMBLY OF GOD
 Morland, Kansas
 Worship: 10:30 A.M. and 5 P.M., Sundays
 Sunday School: 9:30 A.M.</p> <p>BOGUE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 Bogue, Kansas
 Worship: 9 A.M. Sundays
 Sunday School: 10 A.M.</p> <p>CHRISTIAN CHURCH
 122 N. Pomeroy, Hill City
 Worship: 9 A.M. and Sunday School: 10:15 A.M.</p> <p>FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD
 206 N. Middle, Hill City
 Sunday School: 9:00 A.M.
 Coffee Fellowship: 10:00 A.M., Morning Worship & Heavens Sake Kid's Church: 10:45 A.M.</p> <p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
 Nicodemus, Kansas
 Sunday School: 9:30 A.M.
 Church: 11 A.M.
 Bible Study: Wed., 5:30 P.M.</p> <p>FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
 223 N. 4th Ave., Hill City
 Worship: 9 A.M. & Coffee Fellowship following.</p> <p>FIRST SOUTHERN BAPTIST
 8th and Walnut, Hill City
 Sunday School: 9:30 A.M.
 Worship: 10:30 A.M. Sun.
 Youth Program: 6 P.M. Sun.</p> <p>GRACE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
 11th and Hill, Hill City
 Worship: 4 P.M. Sunday
 Bible Study: 3 p.m. Sunday</p> <p>H₂O CHURCH.TV
 305 N. Pomeroy, Hill City
 5:00 p.m.
 Praise - Worship - Message</p> <p>HILL CITY CHURCH OF GOD
 Third and Cedar, Hill City
 Worship: 10:30 A.M.</p> <p>HILL CITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 118 N. 4th Ave., Hill City</p> | <p>Sunday School: 9:30 A.M.
 Worship: 10:45 A.M.</p> <p>IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH
 10 N. 10th Ave., Hill City
 Masses: 6 P.M., Saturdays; 11 A.M. Sundays</p> <p>PRAIRIE HOME UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 12 miles south, 1/4 mile East of Hill City on "E" Rd.
 Worship: 9:15 A.M.</p> <p>RED LINE CHURCH OF GOD
 3804 H Rd., Palco, Kansas
 Worship: 8:45 A.M.
 Fellowship: 10 A.M.
 Sunday School: 10:30 A.M.
 Bible Study: 7 P.M. Wed.</p> <p>ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC
 Damar, Kansas
 Mass: 9 A.M., Sundays</p> <p>THE LIGHTHOUSE CHURCH OF GOD
 519 N. East, Hill City
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 Family Training Hour: 7 P.M., Wednesday</p> <p>MORLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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 Bible Study: 5 P.M., Sunday</p> <p>UNITED METHODIST
 Palco, Kansas
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 Fellowship Time: 10 A.M.</p> <p>UNITED PARISH OF LENORA
 Worship: 10:30 A.M.
 Sunday School: 9:30 A.M.</p> <p>MT. PLEASANT BAPTIST
 6.5 miles south of Morland, Ks.
 Sunday School: 9:45 A.M.
 Worship: 10:50 A.M.</p> <p>AWANA program: 5-7 P.M.
 Wed. Men's Prayer, 7 P.M.
 Wed. Youth Group, 7 P.M.
 Bible Study in Homes, 7 P.M. Wednesdays
 3rd Sunday Fellowship Dinner</p> |
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New mens group in Hill City



Wednesday evening, April 8, saw the first meeting of a newly formed men's group for the Hill City area. This multi-denominational group had 29 attendees in the

1st meeting as men and their Jr/Sr high school sons enjoyed a meal and a presentation by local blacksmith Lon Ninemire on the use of the forge in shaping metal and how that applies to the Biblical perspective of "As iron sharpens iron, so a man sharpens another man's countenance." (Proverbs 27:17).

THE FORGE meets every week on Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm in the HCF fellowship hall located at 206 N Middle St. in Hill City. The meetings will center on issues that impact men and boys and looking at what God's Word says to us about those things. Meetings 2 and 3 will focus on the Biblical perspective of iron sharpening iron and men sharpening men.

God is calling men to step up and to step into the role and plan that we were each created for! Godly leadership in the home, the family, the church, and our community! God's Word gives clear direction to each man and our goal at THE FORGE is to examine or lives through the lens of God's Word and to challenge each other to live in obedience of the Truth found there and sharpen the countenance of every man and boy attending.

We cordially invite all men and their Jr/Hi School age sons to attend these weekly meetings! Wednesday evenings @7:00pm at HCF Fellowship Hall, 206 N Middle St. in Hill City!

Questions???? Contact Jerry Gano phone or text 785/567-8160



6th & 7th Boys Track team placed 1st at the Norton Invitational! Great start to the season Ringnecks!

Graham County Commission Meeting Minutes

March 31, 2026

Commissioner Irby called the meeting to order at 10:00 am with the flag salute with Commissioner Irby, Commissioner Nelson, Commissioner Crouch, Deputy County Clerk Julie Breinig, Graham County Hospital CEO Jonathan Gleason and Graham County EMS/Fire Director Mickie Helberg all present.

Graham County Hospital CEO, Jonathan Gleason

Jonathan reminded the board that the grant had been submitted, and they would find out whether it was awarded on April 17. A meeting will be scheduled before October to discuss the Rural Health Transfer Program, as additional funding is available. A new newsletter called "GCH Pulse" will be launched and shared on Facebook, and emails have already been sent to schools, with flyers to be distributed quarterly to banks. The new boiler is expected to arrive within the next two to three weeks. The hospital is currently experiencing plumbing issues, which have been included in the grant request. Working on the wellness program, getting 2 new pieces of equipment, talking about putting the access control down in basement and having community sign in with a badge and sign

a waiver to help hospital with any liability issues and it will also keep track with cost reports. They are still working on Cardiac Rehab, getting some new equipment and policies in place. Hiring a Patient Coordinator Care Specialist interviewing nurses and social workers. There will be a fire sprinkler/smoke detector inspection coming up soon.

Graham County EMS/Fire Director, Mickie Helberg

Mickie attended the meeting to discuss a burn ban. She explained that the Kansas Forestry Service holds a weekly Zoom meeting every Tuesday, and the most recent report indicated no red flag conditions for today. Humidity levels are expected to increase, and wind peaks are projected to decrease throughout the week. Mickie presented a copy of a resolution originally drafted in 2005. She has updated this document in 2019 to reflect current policies from the Kansas Forestry Service regarding open burning. She noted that, at the time, these policies were distributed to farmers and included a requirement that CRP burning be completed by April 15 based on the prairie chickens. She further advised that if the county chooses

to implement a burn ban, it would be appropriate to have the County Attorney draft a new resolution to go along with what we already have. We have only issued 3 Burn bans in Graham County. She is not in favor at this time of implementing a burn ban. Jason started to hold off and at this time they were talking about rain next week. Commissioners issued no ban at this time. Larry asked questions on the tack channels Mickie stated they are restricted communication channels. Mickie has used the Patterson grant that was left over to purchase three motorized stair chairs which was the last of that grant money.

Dawson Place Administrator, Brandy Born

Brandy reported that Dawson currently has 35 residents, with a total capacity of 36. There is a semi-private female room available, which is currently being reviewed by a potential resident. There has been a recent staff transition. A new employee, Paul Schmitt, has been hired to work part-time in maintenance and part-time in the kitchen. Activities Director is retiring end of May they hired Laura Marcotte to take her place; they have 4 new CNA's. They are currently looking for night nurses.

See "Commission" Pg 7

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Welcome in House Participants & Carry-Out

Friday, April 17: Cook's Choice
 Entrée, Vegetable, Compliment, Grain, Fruit

Monday, April 20: Chicken Patti Sandwich, Tossed Salad, Bun, Cantaloupe, Pudding

Tuesday, April 21: Bierock Casserole, California Blend, Vegetables, Bread, Peaches

Wednesday, April 22: Diced BBQ Chicken, Bed of Rice, Coleslaw, Fruit Cobbler

Thursday, April 23: Goulash, Italian Blend Vegetables, Bread, Gelatin w/Fruit

Menu Subject to Change
Meal \$4 • Guests under 60 \$7

SNAP Benefits (previously known as food stamps) can be used to contribute towards the meal. If you need help applying for SNAP, call our office at 1-800-432-7422.

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Dispatch of Mail has changed from 11:30AM to 8:00AM

What this means for our customers.

- All mail that comes over the counter and dropped inside the lobby collection box during the business day will dispatch the next business day at 8:00AM.
- The Blue Box in the east parking lot by the Post Office is picked up at 11:15AM. Anything dropped after 11:15AM will not be picked up until the next business day and then dispatched the following day at 11:15AM.

HC Nutrition egg hunt

HC Nutrition hosted a town wide Easter egg hunt Thursday, Friday, and Saturday leading up to Easter Sunday. There were 5 eggs hidden a day, a total of 15 that were found. At every location, there were families and community members out searching for these eggs. Each egg had a special coupon that was redeemed at HC Nutrition. Elly Kelley found the golden egg.



Above: Alexis, Parker, Ellie and Evelyn Desbien



Left: Elly Kelley, finder of the golden egg



Bella Dreiling, Leo Randall, Brantley Gwin

Bogue 2026 Easter Egg Hunt

The City of Bogue continued its annual tradition of an Easter egg hunt on the Saturday preceding Easter Sunday. The Easter egg hunt was a great success with over 60 children participating while accompanied by their parents and grandparents. All attendees met at the Wildhorse Township Hall to register, take photos with the Easter Bunny and proceed through Main Street to High Tower Park for the hunt. The children were divided into three age groups for a special drawing and prize and to insure that the youngest participants were able to find an appropriate number of eggs.

Sponsors from the Bogue Community made sure that each egg contained two quarters, candy, an Easter joke and an inspirational message. A good time seemed to be had by all.

Egg Hunt Photos



Hill City: Dutton Schlingloff



Morland: Phoebe McCollum

A barn owl and a baby rabbit

A Barn Owl with a fractured Humerus in his right wing was brought in for medical help last weekend. The rescuers found the owl on the ground at a busy intersection in Garden City and transported him to Hill City the next day.

Due to having an open wound over the Humerus bone (compound fracture), antibiotic treatment was started along with aligning the bone and wrapping the wing to stabilize. Also, a picture of a baby rabbit being tube fed.



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Legal Notice

(First Published in The Hill City Times on Wednesday, April 8, 2026)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF GRAHAM COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of Richard Henry, Deceased CASE NO. GH-2026-PR-000013

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED: You are notified that on March 30, 2026, a Petition was filed in this Court by Stephen Babbington, an heir, devisee and legatee, and Executor named in the "Last Will and Testament of Richard Henry," deceased, dated June 27, 2023, requesting that the instrument attached thereto be admitted to probate and record as the Last Will and Testament of the decedent; Letters Testamentary under the Kansas Simplified Estates Act be issued to Executor to serve without bond.

You are further advised under the provisions of the Kansas Simplified Estates Act the Court need not supervise administration of the Estate, and no notice of any action of the Executor or other proceedings in the administration will be given, except for notice of final settlement of decedent's estate.

You are further advised if written objections to simplified administration are filed with the Court, the Court may order that supervised administration ensue.

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before May 6, 2026 at 10:00 am in the District Court, in Hill City, Graham County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within the later of four months from the date of the first publication of this notice, as provided by law, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

Stephen Babbington
 Petitioner

SUBMITTED BY:

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 Elliott Law Office, PA
 301 N. Pomeroy Ave.
 P.O. Box 128
 Hill City, Kansas 67642
 (785) 421-2288: Telephone
jill@jillelliottlaw.com
 Attorney for Petitioner

2026 SPRING CLEAN-UP ANNOUNCEMENT

Hill City's Spring Cleanup is scheduled for **Monday, April 20, 2026 and Tuesday, April 21, 2026, starting at 8 a.m.**

The following items **WILL NOT** be picked up during this event: concrete, household trash, glass, vehicles, tires, batteries, or chemicals.

Please separate all items into their categories of the following accepted items: **Appliances** (Cannot have freon in it and must be tagged), **C&D, Iron, Junk, Lumber** (Please separate from tree branches), and **Tree Branches** (Tree branches must be cut under five feet in length.)

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Kids History Trail Bike Tour

A Kids History Ride through the historic town of Nicodemus is a new addition to the ride this year! Ranger Dan Cox of Nicodemus National Historic Site, will lead the ride to all the historic buildings, signs and silhouettes around town. Registration is free and on site from 9am-1pm. All kids are welcome with their scooters or bikes. All participating riders will receive prizes and an official National Park Service Jr. Ranger Badge, certificate and book. If you don't have a bike, one can be provided to you for the ride and to KEEP!! Bikes will be provided and given away to riders by Walk Bike Wichita and Colby Fire Department. To guarantee a bike for the ride please leave your name, age, and number by email (nichis@ruraltel.net) or phone (785) 839-4280.

The day will be fun filled with live music by local artist "Butch Creek Band" food, and other activities for the kids. All are welcome to make this day a fun history day!

Historic Nicodemus Town Site

Saturday, May 2nd

Free KIDS TOWN HISTORY BIKE TOUR - 1:00 P.M.

Free Breakfast at 8 A.M.

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Wednesday, April 22nd - 9:00am
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Note-The April sale is always one of the larger auctions of the year. This year is no exception, and with the mild weather there will be a lot of goodies hauled into the auction unadvertised. This sale offers a large variety of items and a lot of quality. Pre-auction & Live Online bidding available on all items. Please utilize the website to view detailed listings and info about items and check back often for additions. Don't miss this tremendous auction with something for everyone. Plan to Attend.

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812 MAIN ST, WAKEENEY - \$175,000 - 4 bed, 2 bath, main floor laundry, great location	309 N 9TH WAKEENEY - \$177,500 - 5 bed, 3 bath, newly remodeled duplex New Price
203 W 3RD PALCO - \$160,000 - 3 Bed, 2.75 baths, Large Lot, Major Updates NEW LISTING	413 W Elm, Hill City - \$96,000 - 2 bed, 2 bath, enclosed porch, underground sprinklers, large lot UNDER CONTRACT
421 S 6TH ST, WAKEENEY - \$209,000 - 4 bed, 2 bath, attached 1 car garage UNDER CONTRACT	105 E. Mulberry, Hill City - \$125,000 - 4 beds, 2 baths, possible 5th bed/office, large back yard NEW LISTING
321 N School, Ness City - \$240,000 - 4 bed, 3 bath, 2 car garage, large corner lot UNDER CONTRACT	308 N Main WaKeeney - \$170,000 - 2 beds, 1 bath, att 1 car garage, 35 x 24 shed UNDER CONTRACT

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Thank you, readers!

Commission/page 3

We have reached out to local schools and will also be setting up at the Colby Career Fair to connect with potential candidates. Daytime cook/aide opening. Peck- is promoting excellent alternatives in Kansas for those transitioning into nursing home care, creating a new approach that helps residents maintain a lifestyle that feels like home. Their model focuses on four core areas: bathing, sleep, food, and relationships—and they've successfully met state standards in all of them. They are currently working toward three additional areas to continue improving care and quality of life. Visted with Mickie on doing some training on transfers and looking into a mattress checking on costs. Brandy reminded the community to join us this week for community events: Easter Egg Hunt - Saturday & Easter Dinner - Thursday.

New Business, Part 1
Deputy Clerk Breinig presented 2 Refund orders 2026-297 & 2026 -328 with a total valuation of 127 and tax dollar refund amount of \$20.78 for review and signatures Commissioner Nelson made a motion to approve, Commissioner Crouch seconded motion. Motion carried 3-0. Deputy Clerk Breinig presented 7 Abatement orders 2026-320,329,348,353,357,358,363 with total valuation of 1,954 and a total tax dollar amount of \$396.30 for review and signatures Commissioner Nelson made a motion to approve Abatements orders. Commissioner Crouch seconded the motion. Motion Carried 3-0 Commissioner Irby presented the letter of support for the Nicodemus National Historic Site and commissioners agreed it was ready to send. Deputy Clerk Breinig presented Quote from KomTek Commissioners decided to table until more information was available. Motion was made

to approve the March 24th Minutes by Commissioners Crouch and seconded by Commissioner Nelson. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioners reviewed and signed AP vouchers.

High Plains Mental Health Center, Craig Poe

Craig Poe and Courtney Cox presented the annual report for High Plains Mental Health Center, which serves 20 counties, including Graham County. The organization provides essential mental health services to help sustain core support systems for individuals in the region. High Plains Mental Health Center operates an office in Hays and offers telehealth (video) services to improve accessibility for residents across rural areas. For the 2027 budget year, they are requesting:

- \$18,924.09 to support ongoing services
- \$6,143.34 to support their new Crisis Intervention Center (CIC)

The CIC currently has 16 beds and is expanding to 23 beds, with additional capacity expected to open on May 4th. This expansion aims to ensure individuals can receive immediate help during mental health crises. Commissioners agreed to fund the support of ongoing services but tabled the support of the Crisis Intervention Center.

Graham County Road & Bridge Supervisor, Wayne Pfeifer

Wayne reported mixing and semi hauling on 12 Mile Road, with three blading operations underway. Commissioner Nelson made a motion to enter executive session for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Crouch seconded the motion. The board entered executive session at 11:26 a.m. and returned at 11:36 a.m. No decision was made.

Larry had information on CDL if you have a CDL for two years you can become an instructor just go to www.tpr.fmcsa.dot.gov.

New Business, Part 2

Discussion on county right-of-way Commissioners decided to survey the right-of-way and contact all of landowner.

Graham County Community Members, Carolyn Long, Judy Skaggs, Phillip Kohart, Linda Whiteman

Carolyn introduced community members and reported they were there to support them as they explored bringing more activities back to the center, such as

card games or bingo. A survey sent out in October/November indicated that many participants were interested in using the center again. They also expressed a desire to return to eating their meals at the center. Linda shared that they have visited other senior centers to gather ideas. These efforts are important, as increased social activities can help support mental health. Commissioner Irby said we will call the Homestead nutrition to see what we can do because they rent the building from the County.

With no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Nelson moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Crouch seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

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STATE FUNDS	0	59,563.17	59,563.17	0
COUNTY BUDGETED FUNDS	4,986,773.63	4,336,832.49	2,585,801.07	6,737,805.05
NON-BUDGETED FUNDS	3,358,448.31	196,457.3	279,510.76	3,275,394.85
TAX FUNDS	88,671.4	1,932.9	17,103.68	73,500.62
TAX HOLDING FUNDS	5,077,805.05	2,131,392.42	6,780,790.85	428,406.62
CITY FUNDS	0	426,367.67	426,367.67	0
TOWNSHIP FUNDS	0	50,310.37	50,310.37	0
FIRE DISTRICT	45,758.11	105,531.67	45,446.97	105,842.81
SCHOOL FUNDS	69.64	2,240,913.45	2,240,913.45	69.64
CEMETARY FUNDS	0	5,901.37	5,901.37	0
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FUNDS	9.91	12,060.8	24,278.57	-12,207.96
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	13,557,536.05	9,567,263.61	12,515,987.93	10,608,811.73

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2025 Ford Ranger Crewcab 4x4, Oxford White w/ Ebony Cloth, 2.3L Eco Boost, XLT Trim, Power Sliding Rear Windows, Black Running Boards, 44K Miles #05684 **\$39,850**

2016 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 Crewcab, Silver w/ Gray Cloth, 5.3L V8, Z71 Package, Trailer Tow, Heated Front Seats, Aluminum Wheels, 4x4, Power Seat, 51K Miles #06917 **Fresh Arrival**

2024 Ford F250 Crew Cab XLT 4WD, White w/ Slate Cloth, 7.3L V-8, 176" Wheel Base, Trailer Brake Controller, Heated Trailer Tow Mirrors, 24K Miles #21643 **\$53,850**

2025 Ford F150 Supercrew Raptor, Black w/ Black Leather, 3.5L H.D. Eco Boost, Twin Panel Moonroof, Spray In Bedliner, 2nd Row Heated Seats, 2K Miles #19320 **Fresh Arrival**

2017 Ford F550 S/C Chassis XL 4x4, Oxford White w/Gray Cloth, 6.7L Diesel, Power Equipment Group, Heated Trailer Tow Mirrors, Trailer Brake Controller, 158K Miles #21437 **\$25,000**

2021 Ram 1500 Crew Cab SLT 4x4, White w/ Gray Cloth, V-6, Police Package, One Owner, New Tires, AM/FM Radio, Power Windows, Power Locks, 115K Miles #26074 **\$18,850**

2024 Buick Envista Avenir, Silver w/ Black Leather, 1.2L, Heated Front Seats, Sunroof, Alloy Wheels, Power Seat, 17K Miles #29946 **Fresh Arrival**

2024 Bronco 4 Door Outer Banks, White w/ Roast/Black Leather, 2.3L Eco Boost, Luxury Package, 360 Degree Camera, Adaptive Cruise, 8K Miles #35306 **\$46,850**

2022 Ford Expedition Timberline 4dr 4x4, Star White Tri-Coat w/ Deep Cypress Leather, 3.5L Eco Boost, Power Liftgate, Roof Rack, Steel Skid Plates, 115K Miles #36384 **\$46,850**

2022 Ford Ranger Supercab XLT, White w/ Ebony Cloth, 2.3L Eco Boost, Trailer Tow, Bedliner, 17K Silver Painted Aluminum Wheels, 17K Miles #39693 **\$29,850**

2016 Ford F150 XLT Sport Supercrew, Black w/ Black/Red Cloth, 3.5 V6 Eco Boost, Special Edition XLT Sport, 20" Premium Dark Tarnished Wheels, 104K Miles #40077 **\$23,850**

2020 Ford F150 Supercrew XLT 4x4 Special Edition, Black w/ Black Cloth, 2.7L Eco Boost, Blind Spot, Moonroof, Navigation, Remote Start, 84K Miles #40764 **\$28,850**

2019 Ford H.D. F250 Crewcab 4x4 4 Door Lariat, Oxford White w/ Camel Leather, 6.7 Powerstroke Diesel, 3.55 E-Locking Axle, Chrome Package, 76K Miles #42111 **\$48,850**

2026 Chevrolet Equinox LT AWD, Sterling Gray w/ Artemis Gray Leather, 1.5L Turbo DOHC, Remote Start, Heated Steering Wheel, 1K Miles #42872 **\$33,850**

2023 Ford F150 Supercrew Raptor, Code Orange w/Ebony Leather, 3.5L EcoBoost High Output, Raptor Carbon Package, Raptor Graphics, 56K Miles #46608 **\$63,850**

2013 Dodge Ram 1500 ST 4x4, White w/Gray Cloth, 5.7L V8, Police Package, Power Windows & Locks, AM/FM Radio, A/C & Heat, Local One Owner, 143K Miles #53182 **\$10,850**

2023 Ford F150 Supercrew Limited 4WD, Black w/Admiral Blue Leather, Twin Panel Moonroof, Heated/Ventilated Front Seats, 69K Miles #88513 **\$48,850**

2021 Ram 2500 4dr 4x4 Mega Cab, Pearl White w/ Tan & Brown Leather, 6.7L 6 Cylinder Cummins Diesel, Tow Technology Package, 64K Miles #92940 **\$53,850**

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GRAHAM COUNTY TREASURER'S QUARTERLY STATEMENT
STATE OF KANSAS THRU JANUARY 31, 2026

FUND	BALANCE	FUND	BALANCE
COUNTY GENERAL	\$1,302,122.84	MULTI YR CAPL IMPROVEMENT	\$1,303,059.86
ROAD AND BRIDGE	\$1,511,509.44	ELECTION EQUIPMENT FUND	\$47,594.73
ELECTION FUND	\$27,709.95	CLERK EQUIPMENT FUND	\$38,593.33
EMERGENCY SERVICE	\$464,860.00	TREASURER EQUIPMENT FUND	\$38,657.00
APPRAISERS COST	\$102,471.94	ATTORNEY EQUIPMENT FUND	\$11,684.16
LANDFILL CLOSURE FUND	\$81,619.10	SHERIFF EQUIPMENT FUND	\$10,072.06
COUNTY HEALTH	\$96,976.58	JANITOR'S EQUIPMENT FUND	\$45,664.32
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$1,483,368.00	APPR COST SPEC EQUIP FUND	\$77,833.76
HOSPITAL	\$34,945.66	LANDFILL SPECIAL EQUIP	\$43,520.30
CONSERVATION DISTRICT	\$1,727.13	REG OF DEEDS EQUIP FUND	\$25,496.59
FAIR	\$3,277.63	FIRE DIST SPEC EQUIPMENT	\$83,604.46
COUNTY LIBRARY	\$7,553.68	AMBULANCE EQUIPMENT	\$133,424.29
COMMUNITY INVOLV CENTER	\$1,315.67	CLERK OF THE COURT EQUIP	\$1,402.00
HOME FOR THE AGED	\$13,086.43	CO.COMMISSIONER EQUIP FD	\$176.82
NOXIOUS WEED	\$47,900.18	RADAR/LPR TRAILER/TECH GRANT	\$6,139.48
NOXIOUS WEED CAPTL OUTLAY	\$78,687.54	COBG GRANT	\$1,500.00
ANTELOPE LAKE	\$29,254.05	FIGHT ADDICTIONS FUND	\$11,851.29
TREXLER LAKE	\$3,496.04	COMMUNITY DEV GRANT	\$27,663.42
SPECIAL ALCOHOL PROGRAM	\$15,475.58	GCCD OPERATIONS	\$8,651.06
SPEC PARKS AND RECREATION	\$7,466.49	KCOVRS	\$146,135.13
HOSPITAL BOND	\$29,505.92	MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE	\$16,132.87
HEALTH CARE SALES TAX	\$1,199,575.79	DMV MODERNIZATION FEES	\$1,322.00
GRAHAM CO 911	\$38,333.77	AUTO SALES TAX	\$10,155.74
HEALTH CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$284,697.93	DRIVERS LICENSE	\$1,024.74
SPECIAL ROAD & BRIDGE	\$808,238.67	SPECIAL AUTO	\$25,060.93
BRIDGE BUILDING	\$5.10	INSUFF. CHECK CLEARING	-\$5,683.31
SPECIAL MACHINERY	\$285,290.55	OVER AND SHORT	-\$4,149.08
HERITAGE TRUST FUND	\$2,447.00	NRP HOLDING FUND	\$10,389.09
SHERIFFS SPECIAL PERMIT	\$13,779.20	ADVANCE TAX PAYMENTS	\$22,474.85
SHERIFF SEATBELT GRANT	\$5,419.39	PERS. PROP. PARTIAL PMNT	\$5,145.24
SHERIFF FIREARM PERMIT	\$3,782.25	MINERAL TAX	\$60,191.31
REGISTERED OFFENDER	\$4,543.24	CURRENT TAX HOLDING	\$1,222,966.25
RESERVE DEPUTY FUND	\$960.13	DELINQUENT TAX HOLDING	\$97,968.38
BOND SUPERVISION FEES	\$195.00	MOTOR VEHICLE HOLDING	\$28,468.82
DIVERSION	\$500.00	REC. VEHICLE HOLDING	\$204.21
ALCOHOL/DRUG TESTING FEE	\$194.00	FIRE DISTRICT	\$113,579.42
CO ATTY CHECK TRUST FUND	\$5,489.77	USD 269 GENERAL	\$35.18
PROS ATTY TRNG & ASSIST	\$4,099.02	USD 269 CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$14.07
STATE STRAY FUND	\$1,253.45	USD 269-SUPPLEMTL GENERAL	\$18.63
REG. OF DEEDS/TECHNOLOGY	\$46,393.80	USD 269-RECREATION	\$1.76
FIRE DONATION FUND	\$14,023.82	GWM LAND CHARGE	-\$12,217.65
EMS DONATION FUND	\$17,079.16		
CO. TREASURER TECHNOLOGY	\$19,600.50		
CO. CLERK TECHNOLOGY FUND	\$7,418.50		
SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM	\$2,982.10		
INDUSTRIAL PARK	\$2,500.00		
		TOTAL ALL FUNDS	\$11,768,359.50

I do solemnly swear that the above statement is complete, true, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, so help me God.

COUNTY TREASURER
 SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS 30th DAY OF March, 2026

 NOTARY PUBLIC
 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 01/01/26

60th Annual FHSU NIRA Rodeo returns to Hays with free admission for all

By FHSU University Communications

HAYS, Kan. — The Fort Hays State University Rodeo Club and Team are proud to host the 60th Annual NIRA Rodeo, taking place April 16-18, at the Ellis County Fairgrounds. In celebration of this milestone year, admission to the event is free of charge. Community members are encouraged to attend and support intercollegiate rodeo athletes from across the region.

Since 1964, the FHSU Rodeo Club has provided students with valuable opportunities to develop and refine their skills in a competitive arena environment. Now in its 60th year, this long-standing tradition continues to showcase the dedication, talent, and sportsmanship of student-athletes competing at the collegiate level.

This year's rodeo will feature approximately 500-600 contestants representing around 20 colleges and universities from across the Central Plains Region, including Kansas and Oklahoma. The event brings together some of the top collegiate rodeo talent in the region, making it one of the premier intercollegiate rodeos of the season.

"The 60th annual rodeo is a special milestone for our program," said Trever Meier, FHSU Rodeo Coach. "We

are excited to open our gates to the community at no cost this year and invite everyone to come experience the energy, tradition, and high-level competition that collegiate rodeo has to offer."

The rodeo will once again be held at the Ellis County Fairgrounds, a move made last year to accommodate the event's continued growth. The expanded venue allows for improved facilities and a better experience for both contestants and spectators, as the event has outgrown its previous home at the Doug Philip Arena.

Attendees can expect a full slate of rodeo events, including roughstock and timed events, as teams compete for regional standings and national qualification opportunities through the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association (NIRA).

Event Details:

- Dates: April 16-18
- Location: Ellis County Fairgrounds, Hays, Kansas
- Admission: FREE and open to the public

The FHSU Rodeo Club and Team invite the entire

community to come out, support student-athletes, and celebrate 60 years of rodeo excellence. Whether you are a longtime rodeo fan or attending for the first time, this is a unique opportunity to experience the excitement of collegiate rodeo up close.

For more information, please contact the FHSU Rodeo Program's Coach Meier at tdmeier@fhsu.edu, or check out the Fort Hays State University Rodeo Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/fhsurodeo>.



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Large Farm Estate Auction

Sat., April 25, 2026

10:00 A.M. CT SHARP
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SALE ORDER: 2 RINGS - MISCELLANEOUS @ 10:00 A.M.
EQUIPMENT STARTING AT NOON

1 Mile West of Eustis, NE
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Antique Cars & Tractors & Equipment



2001 Ford Thunderbird, 53,875 miles, leather, V8, like new condition, nice!
1961 Chevrolet Belair 47,467 miles, restored, VIN 11637527280
1961 Ford Fairlane Sunliner, 71,191 miles, V8, restored. VIN 1G55X177925, nice
JD GP full steel, repaint, stuck, 221552 • JD 620 single front, 3 pt, stuck, 6222219
JD A skeleton steel rear, rubber front, repaint, stuck repaint, 436364
JD 3010 wf, gas, cab, 2 hyd, synchro, was overhauled, hasn't been run since OH, 1T41529 • JD A nf, stuck, styled 509745
JD MT nf, fenders, elec, stuck, 26894 w/JD MT-2A 2 bottom mount plow
JD 620 nf stuck, 621061 • JD B handcrank stuck, 134823
JD A nf, fenders, elec, stuck, 690711 • JD H loose, straight tin, 5299
JD A 3 pt, elec, nf, hyd, new tires, Behlen power steering, repaint, 607725
JD A stuck, elec, nf, 548436 • JD A nf handcrank, no pistons or head, 449290
JD B single front elec, stuck, 248798 • JD A elec, stuck, 608360
JD H stuck, 7130 • JD A elec, nf, stuck, 557014 • JD A nf, stuck, styled, 675759
JD B styled, stuck, can't read tag • JD B styled, stuck, 273524
Farmall 460 diesel wf, cab, 3377 hrs. showing, old repaint, runs, fast hitch, can't read tag, with F 228 loader, nice tractor • JD A styled, stuck, nf 534432
2 - IH LB hit miss engines, 1 1/2 hp on trucks
Farmall F30 repaint, loose, no tag, rear round spoke
F30 stuck, rear round spoke, nf, 3743
Farmall with F & H rear spokes, loose • Farmall Regular all steel, no tag, loose
Farmall Regular full steel repaint, stuck
Farmall F 12 rear steel rubber front, repaint stuck, 121108
Farmall F20 full steel, repaint, stuck, 30097 • Farmall F20 w/loader
Farmall F30 nf, repaint, round spoke, stuck, 26894
Farmall F12 nf, stuck, FS45852
2 - Farmall F20 stuck • 3 - Farmall tractors stuck • Farmall F20 round spoke stuck
Farmall H stuck, 192589 • Farmall F20 nf, stuck, 120541
Farmall F14 stuck, rubber, no tag • JD A nf, stuck, styled, 509745
F14 single front, round spoke, stuck, FS140275
F14 nf, rear steel, stuck, FS140253
IH 706 diesel for parts • IH 806 diesel, fenders, JD canopy, for parts
Case LA Wheatland stuck, 5408656LA • Case Vac nf, stuck, 5250186

Case SC stuck, 5212417 • Case CC nf repaint, stuck, 4200454
Case C full steel stuck, wf, 341302 • Case C full steel, nf, stuck, 355358
Oliver 90 standard, stuck, no tag
MM Twin City MTA Universal, loose, 532380
MM KTA Unstyled, loose 302463 • Twin City wide front, SN 300082, stuck
Massey Harris 30 3 pt., stuck, sickle mower, 4936
MH 22 nf, fenders, 22-GR1385, stuck
MH 44 row crop, wf, loose, can't read tag
Ford 8n flathead 6 cyl conversion, stuck
Allis Chalmers WC rear steel, loose, 53544 • AC WD nf, stuck
AC WD wf stuck • AC WC nf stuck • AC WC stuck, 62817
AC WC nf, stuck, 71639 • AC WD stuck
Massey Ferguson 16 lawn tractor Kohler 16 hp, hydra w/mower deck and gas motor powered bagging system, nice hard to find
JD 316 yard tractor, mower deck, Kohler motor
IH nf steel pr • IH rear steel pr • JD A skeleton rear steel pr
IH M skeleton rear steel • AC F & H rear steel pr
JD 2 bottom disc plow on steel • JD 2 bottom 2 way plow on steel
2 wd new gen JD tractor front fenders • New pair of 8 x 32 rear tractor rims
Several assorted tractor & implement tires and wheels
several new and good used
New pair 16.9-24 tractor tires • Assorted good used rims • Front steel wheels in prs
Several round spoke rear tractor rims, good • JD LUC motor stuck
Cushman 1.5 hp hit miss • JD new gen rock shaft covers • Horse drawn sickle mowers
5 - Horse drawn walk behind plows • 3 pt. 1 bottom spinner plow (unique)
JD single shank killifer ripper on steel • JD 4 bottom semi mount plow
AC 4 bottom semi mount sod plow • AC 4 bottom semi mount plow • 2 - 2 row listers
Dirt slips on steel wheels - 2 one ways • 2 nf tractor chariots • Assorted magnetos
Lots of JD tractor parts (new and old) • Several cistern pumps • Chevrolet Belair
Piaggio & Co. scooter (not running) • 2 old cars
Old Ford boom truck not running, Marmon-Herrington all wheel drive add on, very unique truck would make a really cool build, no title, 33,440 miles



Shop Tools & Miscellaneous

Lots of Miscellaneous Steel for Welding • Steel Building Framework
Lots of Iron! • Iron Rack Full of Pipe • Old Fuel Truck • Live Traps
Pet Cages • Lots of Chain Link Fence • Assorted Pickup Tool Boxes
Metal Cutout Cows, Tractors, Bulls, etc.
Wood Flatbed • High Wheel Weed Mowers (several)
Tons of Farm Parts • Several Electric Fencers • Wheel Barrows
Shop Vacs • Craftsman 26" 8.5 H.P. Snow Blower • Chain Saws
Belt Splicer • Sand Blaster • Large Grinder • Creepers
Air Bubbles • Baler Twine • Welding Supplies
Parts Washers • Oxy/Acetylene Torch Set • 2 Floor Jacks
Olson Band Saw • Millermatic 200 Wire Welder
Coats Tire Machine • Tool Cart • Oster Pipe Threader
20 Ton Shop Press • Drill Presses • Magnet Drill Press
Lots of Assorted Hand Tools • Craftsman Tool Box
Hobart Arc Welder • Gas Air Compressor • Filing Cabinets
2 - Tillers • Chain Binders • Cummins 6500 5 KW Gas Generator
2 - Picnic Tables • Several Mower/ATV Lifts • 5th Wheel Hitch for Pickup
Yard Sprayer • Lawn Sprinkler • Power Washers • Battery Chargers
Large Wood Band Saw • Handymans • Tire Tools
Frost Bars • Bolt Cutters • Assorted Wrenches (all sizes)
C Clamps • Vise Grips • Tap Dies • Bosch Hammer Drills
Cords • Sanders • Grinders (all sizes) • Drills (all sizes)
Paint Guns • Impacts • Chicago Right Angle Large Drill
Tons and Tons of Shop Tools

Guns, Safe, Ammo

Parker Hale 30.06 w/Bushnell scope • Interarms 22-250 weaver scope
Amadeo Rossi 22 sl pump loose stock • Smith & Wesson SD9 VE 9 mm pistol
Remington Mo 522 viper 221 pronghorn scope
Springfield Mo 67 series E410 3" pump • Taurus PT111 Pro 9 mm para pistol
H & R Mod 176 10 ga mag 3 1/2" single shot • Stevens Mo 1240 12 ga. 2 3/4"
LC Smith 12 ga field grade double barrel • Heritage rough rider 22 revolver
Stevens Mo 311 20 ga 2 3/4" double barrel, stock broke
Very old hammer type 10 ga shotgun (unique)
Iver Johnson Trailman 66 221 revolver plastic grip broke
Orscheln FWC-301 18 long gun safe • Ammo

Farm Equipment & Miscellaneous Items

John Deere 4440 shows 4359 hrs., power shift, 2 hyd., 3 pt., duals, SN 4440H021226R w/Farmhand 258 loader & grapple head
International TD20E dozer 10.5' blade, hyd lift, 20" track, cleats 1.5", cummins 6 cyl. diesel motor, shows 3719 hrs., hasn't been run in a few years
Honda Rancher 4 wd 1298 mi. elec. shift, 4wd
Case 760 trencher/backhoe, 8' stinger 7", diesel hasn't been run in a few years, has hyd. oil leak
Suzuki King Quad 4 wheeler, 4 wd
JD LT150 lawn mower w/bagger
2002 Ford Ranger XLT, 5 spd, 2 wd, ext. cab
JD 7720 combine • JD 224 combine head
JD 694 36" cornhead • JD 5R36 tin cornhead
JD 18' wheathead • Leroi air compressor (not running)
JD 10' dozer • 2 - Leon dozers • Swather trailer • Rodweeder
Richardton 3 x 5 sweep plow • Crustbuster cultivator
S tine field cultivator • 2 - Sheepsfoot packers
2 shank 3 pt. ripper • Eversman 650 scraper, nice unit
Rhino 7' shredder 540 PTO
2 - Land planes • 3 pt. box blade
5 section golf course mower
Transport trailer • Truck hayrack
Several assorted Farmhand loader heads, buckets, grapples, bale forks, etc. • Tractor mount auger
3 - JD sickle mowers
IH trail mower • 3 pt. bale unroller • 2 - 3 pt. manual blades
3 - Bale feeder trailers • 2 - Bale feeder racks
2 Posthole diggers • Several old anhydrous applicators
Several Orthman toolbars 18'-24' • Lots of pivot pipe
Oilfield pipe • Shop built hyd. squeeze chute
Concrete water tank • Wire winders gas & PTO
Miscellaneous gates, panels, guardrail, windbreak tin
Diesel 6 cyl. power unit, 3-4 other misc. power units (not running) • Eversman ditcher • 2 Single bale forks
Assorted Zimmatic pivot spans and center point
IH 490 disc good blades 24", hyd. fold, bad hoses

Hay fluffer • IH manure spreader, wood box
12' pull type chisel • 10' box scraper • Fuel trailer
PTO sweepster power broom, 3 pt. • Augers
Case payload hyd. squeeze fork head
Stationary big gun sprinkler head • Loading chute
2 - 1000 gallon fuel tanks • Seed box
16' stock trailer bumper pull, steel floor
1000 gal. water tank • IH 490 18' disc manual fold, harrow
3 bale hay feeders on wheels
1986 GMC 7000 diesel truck 18' steel box, single axle, runs
GMC 7000 diesel truck 18' steel box, single axle not running
Chevy farm truck wood box not running
Truck box for storage • Lots of assorted iron
Head catch • Manual squeeze chute
Round bale feeder rings • Pickup flatbed
2 - 16' utility trailers • Several old pickups (not running)
2 - Chevy C50 farm trucks not running, flatbed, one has hayrack
Several old pickups (not running) • 6 steel feedbunks
4 - steel feeders with roof • Several hay rack feeder panels
2 - Square heavy duty hay feeder racks
King Kutter 3 pt. 4' tiller PTO • King Kutter 5' 3 pt. rake
HD truck dumpbox trailer

HIT & MISS ENGINE COLLECTION (Consigned By Others)

Most all of these have an older restoration and are on trucks!
J.D. 6 h.p. on cart • 8 - J.D. 1 1/2 h.p. engines on cart
8 - J.D. 1 1/2 h.p. engines on cart • 2 Stover 1 1/2 h.p. on carts
Stover 2 h.p. on cart • 4 Stover CT2 on carts
Economy 1 1/2, 1 3/4, 2 1/2, 6 h.p., 7 h.p. on carts
Fairbanks Type 2 style D, style C, 1 1/2 hp style D, 2 hp style D, 3 hp style C, 3 - dishpans
McCormick Deering 4 - 1 1/2 hp, 2 1/2 hp LAA-LB, LB3 3 - 5 h.p., M 1 1/2 h.p.
Maytag Model 192, 172, 2 others • Alamo blue line type A
Sattley 1 1/2 hp • Sandwich 1 1/2 hp
Assorted chore boy 1 3/4 hp • Jaeger 3 1/2 hp • Witte 2 hp
Cushman cub • Cushman cub 2 hp mod 14
Lauson 1 1/2 hp
Bean sprayer pump 2 hp • Dempster mill 1 1/2 hp
Galloway • Hercules 1 1/2 - 2 hp

Dan Pohl Estate



Levi & Bobbie Jo Messersmith
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Cozad, Nebraska

Matt Springer
308-340-4481

Eric Fenner - 308-529-1988

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