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All friends of the Dickinson County 4-H program are invited to the Friends of 4-H Picnic on Wednesday, July 8, at 6:30 p.m. Supporters are invited to join Dickinson County 4-H families for food, fun, and fellowship at Sterl Hall, 619 N Rogers, Abilene.

The menu includes fried chicken, homemade salads, and desserts. 4-H supporters may register for door prizes donated by Dickinson County 4-H clubs. The announcement of winners will be at approximately 7:30 p.m.; you must be present to win.

All 4-H supporters - award sponsors, livestock buyers, and other contributors to the 4-H program including financial institutions and members of area civic clubs - are invited guests. This annual event is one way 4-H families thank area supporters.

Following the picnic, the Dickinson County 4-H Leadership SQUAD members will have minute-to-win-it activities for the entire family in the time between the end of the picnic and the free swim. The pool is reserved from 8:00 - 9:30 p.m. for 4-H families and supporters who want to swim sponsored by Abilene Parks & Recreation Department and the City of Abilene.

Questions may be directed to 4-H Youth Development Agent Jill Martinson at martinso@ksu.edu or 785-263-2001. We hope to see you at the Friends of 4-H Picnic!



CHAPMAN FOOD MART SET TO CLOSE

A message on Facebook shocked most of the Chapman community on Monday Morning. The local Grocery store in Chapman will be closing in September. This seems to be the consistent news across small towns in Kansas. As times get harder, the ability to continue to live comfortably much less run a business. Supply chains are constantly being disrupted and prices are hard to compete with the larger chain stores, leaving our mom and pop companies no other choice than to accept defeat.

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We will continue to offer fresh meat in our Meat Department, fresh produce in our Produce Department, and serve breakfast and lunch in our Deli through mid-August.

Beginning July 13, all merchandise throughout the store will be offered at a 15% discount. This discount will remain in effect until all inventory has been sold or until our final day of business on September 1, whichever comes first.

We sincerely appreciate your support and patronage and look forward to serving you during our remaining time in business. We are proud of the role we've played in this community and deeply appreciate every customer who has walked through our doors.

While this chapter is coming to a close, we are excited about what the future holds for our building and this space. We look forward to sharing more details about what's to come at a later date.

Thank you again for your loyalty, support, and friendship over the years.

Sincerely,
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Did You Know?

America's Birthday

July 4, 1776, is an important date in American history that is widely considered the birthday of the United States of America. But some people argue that August 2 should actually be America's birthday, since that was when the Declaration of Independence was signed. The National Archives says that the Second Continental Congress adopted the United States Declaration of independence on July 4, 1776, formally severing ties with Britain. The approved Declaration was printed on July 5. On July 19, Congress ordered that the document be engrossed on parchment, which is a process of copying an official document in large hand. It is surmised that the engrosser was Timothy Matlock, an assistant to Charles Thomson, secretary to the Congress. It was nearly a month after the Declaration was adopted before the document began to be signed by delegates. The signing of the Declaration of Independence occurred primarily on August 2, 1776, at the Pennsylvania State House in Philadelphia, a building later renamed Independence Hall. John Hancock, who was the President of the Congress, was the first to sign the engrossed copy. Signatures were arranged by states from northernmost to southernmost. Fifty-six delegates eventually signed the document, although not all were present to sign on August 2. Some delegates never managed to sign the Declaration, including Robert R. Livingston of New York, who was a member of the Declaration's drafting committee.



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10:30 a.m. Worship Service

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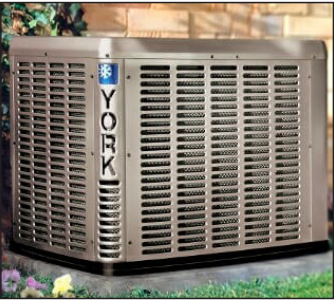
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PASTOR'S CORNER

How will you celebrate? I am certain we will see and hear the regular fireworks. Surely there will be folks grilling some tasty burgers and dogs. The lakes, pools, and parks will likely be crowded. Recently the United States has been struggling through some bitter disputes. It might feel a little disingenuous to celebrate with all that going on. Some even wonder if we are nearing the end. I have a few senior friends who are quick to celebrate each greeting with "I'm still alive," or "I'm on the right side of the dirt." That's how I am feeling about our great country. We are still here so there is still hope for the days ahead.

Happy Birthday, USA!

However we celebrate, I pray that it will be in relationship and in community. We are better together. We have come through many challenges and difficult days to this point and there will be more, but we have also achieved great successes and produced so many talented enterprising people.

It is possible that our best hopes are birthed through our greatest trials. Look around.

We are surrounded by amazing people – no two exactly the same- but everyone a treasure. Our diversity is our superpower. I pray we celebrate with joy. Let's treat one another with grace and compassion. Let's look for ways to encourage friends, neighbors, and even strangers. Let's not give any power to the things that divide us because we are one nation and perhaps our greatest possibilities are before us.



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125 years ago – 1901
A FINE FRUIT GROWING TOWN – There is not a town in the state that bids as fair to becoming a great fruit center as the little town of Lost Springs. James McNicol started the fruit growing business several years ago. In addition to the large acreage of land he has covered with orchards, he has the finest nursery in this section of the state. His orchard, which consists of apple, peach, pear, cherry, and apricot trees in abundance, has just begun to bear although for the past several years he has been able to market a good supply of fruit each year. In addition to Mr. McNicol's large nursery where fruit trees are propagated and sold, he has a fine variety of shade and ornamental trees. Not only has the nursery business been making a paying investment for Mr. McNicol, but it has helped to build Lost Springs into one of the liveliest little towns in Central Kansas.

100 years ago – 1926
HATCHERY COMES TO HERINGTON – S. H. Lenhart has decided to establish a chicken hatchery in Herington on the three lots just east of the Clark Lumber Company. The new hatchery will handle 100,000 eggs with capacity to increase to 376,000 every three weeks during the period of operation. The building, the basement of which will be started next week will be a structure measuring 40 by 80 feet. There will be space in the basement for a double garage to accommodate the trucks used in the

A FRUITFUL HERINGTON

business.

75 years ago – 1951
DR. ELLIOTT OPENS VETERINARIAN OFFICE – William D. Elliott, veterinarian, is completing the building of an office, from which he will work and have facilities for caring for small animals, at 1403 West Walnut. The new building is 18' x 32' and contains an office, laboratory, pharmacy, a room for surgery, and a washroom. The surgery room will contain operating equipment and a communication system between there and the home of Doctor and Mrs. Elliott at 1419 West Walnut. Doctor Elliott stated that the building of the small animal hospital would in no way deprive him from answering the calls of his patrons to care for their larger animals.

50 years ago – 1976
DEDICATE PUBLIC SAFETY MONUMENT – The public monument and flagpole commemorating the 200th anniversary of the United States will be dedicated at 7 p.m. in front of the Herington Public Safety Building during the Fourth of July observance. The Herington Junior High band will play some special numbers and band director Dennis McGettrick will lead the singing of a few patriotic songs. Several area ministers will participate in scripture readings, and the featured address will be presented by Dr. Robert Linder, a professor of history at Kansas State University in Manhattan. The Bicentennial Monument and flag pole are being built with public contributions at a total estimated cost of \$3500.

Herington Historical Society & Museum, 800 S. Broadway. Hours: 1 to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. – markcwill1963@gmail.com

VIEW FROM THE HILL- Scott Hill

The Importance of the \$2 Bill

Somewhere tucked in a certain spot many of us have a two-dollar bill. When the “new” bill was introduced in 1976, it was supposed to take over for the old reliable one dollar note. The two dollar has never been a popular denomination. However, as we celebrate our quarter millennium of existence as a country, the two spot has a particular significance. If you have one you can take it out and check my facts. The back of the note has a famous painting turned into an engraving for printing purposes. The birth of our country, which will be celebrated in less than two weeks, is portrayed in this painting of the second continental congress passing the Declaration of Independence.

As I am writing this, 250 years ago Thomas Jefferson was drafting the document that would become the foundation of this great nation. Jefferson did not like to speak in public and rarely commented during Congress; however, when he had the quill in his hand and ink in his well his brilliance shown out. The opening words to our official letter to the British Crown and anyone else who cared, are the most eloquent depiction of a true government ever conceived. The back of the two-dollar bill commemo-

rates the signing, but the front has a likeness of the author. Thomas Jefferson wrote in his original draft 75% of the final Declaration. While Jefferson lamented that more of his words were not included, the fact that there were five drafters on the committee and his words comprised nearly all of the final is amazing.

Jefferson is described often as a “Renaissance Man.” He was a food connoisseur in a time when utilitarianism was the common view of sustenance. He also was a wine snob and a storied architect. His home, Monticello, is still recognized for its outstanding architecture. Additionally, Jefferson was an archeologist, was well educated, and spoke six languages: English, French, Latin, Spanish, Italian, and Greek. More importantly than his accomplishments, though, is the political philosophy that he birthed in our liberation document.

While Jefferson was conflicted with the idea of slavery, he created a framework for freedom like the world had never seen. His idea that the slave trade should be abolished was not included in our founding document, but the success of individual freedom that he conceived eventually led to the Emancipation Proclamation. The radical ideas that humans have God given rights to life, to liberty,

and to economic freedom are revolutionary especially when connected to the next radical idea. Secondly, Jefferson and his colleagues concluded that the only transcending purpose of government was to protect those rights. Finally, the third tenant is that the governed not only deserved to have those rights protected, but that when government fails in that sacred duty it is not only the right but also the obligation for the governed to overthrow the government.

Thomas Jefferson went on to have a very successful political career that ended with him becoming the third president of the United States even though his tombstone does not mention that accomplishment. In reflecting on Jefferson's death, it is important to note that he died on the same day that the Declaration was passed, only 50 years later when he was eighty-three. You see, as we celebrate on July 4th the beginning of our country 250 years ago, we should also celebrate the man who put the ideas into writing.

It is the bicentennial of his death. I would suggest you find your two-dollar bill in remembrance. If you do not have one, get one or two to remember the contribution of Thomas Jefferson.

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Wednesday, July 8: Turkey Tetrazzini, Green Beans, Stewed Tomatoes, Lime Sprinkled Pears, Wheat Roll

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Friday, July 3 Closed

Monday, July 6: Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Tossed Salad/Dressing, Garlic Bread, Ambrosia Salad, Milk

Tuesday, July 7: Fish Sticks / Chicken Tenders, Tater Tots, Carrots, Peach Crisp, Roll, Milk

Wednesday, July 8: Turkey Tetrazzini, Green Beans, Pears, Roll, Milk

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Level: Beginner

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Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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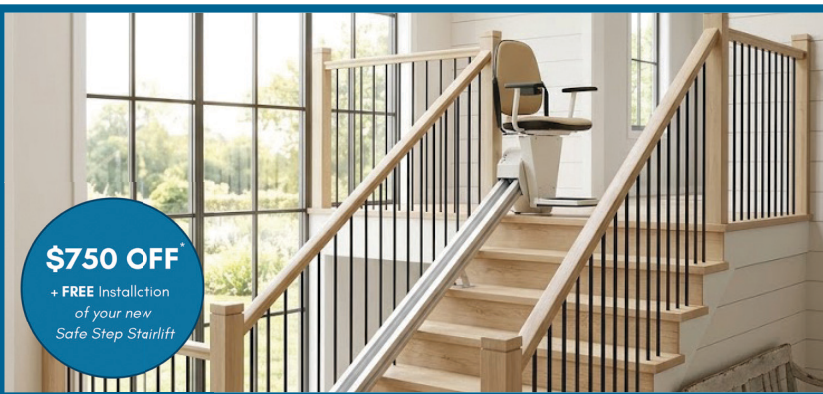
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Fort Riley DEERS office named best in the Army

The U.S. Army Human Resources Command's Army Project Office named Fort Riley's Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) office the 2025 U.S. Army Site of the Year Wednesday (June 24) for excellence in customer service, efficiency, utilization, and community outreach.

Across the Army, DEERS offices are responsible for creating and adjusting identification cards, processing TRICARE enrollments, filing retiree benefits and other forms, and more for Soldiers, civilians, contractors, and their families. These mission critical services require considerable attention to detail and efficiency. Army Project Officer Michael Dotson said the Fort Riley DEERS office goes above and beyond these requirements.

“In 2025 the Army had 876 ID card facilities. This one is the best one out of that 876,” said Dotson. “The fact that they received over 213 positive [Interactive Customer Evaluation program] comments, almost one every work day, that's amazing. Most sites only get two a year.”

The Fort Riley DEERS team produced 62 ID cards a day in 2025, well beyond the Army standard of 20 cards a day. They also provide additional services beyond Army requirements including notary services and training brigade personnel staffs on Soldier in-processing.

“The cost savings that's provided back to the Army due to the efficiency of this team executing ID cards at three times the rate of the average installation, it's pretty phenomenal,” said Col. Jerry Nunziato, Fort Riley Garrison Commander. “It's a great recognition for a team that's been working really hard throughout 2025.”

1st Infantry Division assumes mission in Europe

The 1st Infantry Division uncased its colors today (June 25) in a transfer of authority ceremony in Bolesławiec, Poland. The ceremony marked the transition of responsibility from the 3rd Infantry Division to the Big Red One, ensuring continued readiness and unity of effort in Europe.

“Today's ceremony marks more than a transfer of authority — it begins the next chapter in the proud history of the Big Red One,” Maj. Gen. Monté L. Rone, Task Force Danger commander, said. “As this headquarters assumes responsibilities along the Eastern flank, our purpose is clear: to assure our Allies, deter aggression, and, if necessary, fight and win.”

“For more than a century, the Fighting First has answered our Nation's call, setting the standard for warfighting excellence. That legacy was earned long before us, and it must endure long after us,” Rone added. “No mission too difficult, no sacrifice too great. Duty first.”

The 1st Infantry Division cased its colors at Fort Riley in a June 16 ceremony, marking the beginning of this deployment.

Fort Riley Museum Curator to retire

The Friends of the Fort Riley Museums board will host a farewell event to celebrate the retirement of Debbie Clark, Fort Riley Museum Curator, Tuesday, June 30, from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. in the Regimental Room at the U.S. Cavalry Museum, 205 Henry Drive, Fort Riley, KS.

Debbie Clark has worked for the Center of Military History at the Fort Riley museums for almost 30 years. Deborah “Debbie” Clark, a native of Odessa, Texas, has served 42 years in Federal Service. Upon graduation from high school in 1971, Debbie enlisted in the Women's Army Corps, serving eight years both stateside and overseas. On completion of Army service, she worked as an Army civilian in numerous capacities. Debbie began her career with the Center of Military History's Museum Division as an administrative assistant assigned to the Fort Riley Cavalry Museum in July 1997.

Throughout her museum career Debbie was continually promoted from administrative assistant to Museum Tech, to Curator of Collections, to Acting Director for the U.S. Cavalry Museum. During her tenure, Debbie assisted and guided numerous Museum Directors—Terry Van Meter, William McKale, and Robert Smith. Debbie was also instrumental in the ten-year process to re-envision and remodel the U.S. Cavalry Museum. Debbie's three decades at the Fort Riley Museums serves as a testament to her dedication and professionalism to the Army, Fort Riley, and the Fort Riley community.

Those who know Ms. Clark are welcome to attend for a chance to wish her a well-deserved and happy retirement.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thomas Massie said it best, "Bombing a country on the other side of the world won't make the Epstein files go away. I thought all along that trump's war with Iran was a gigantic distraction from the Epstein files and this settlement proves it. The cost of the settlement includes 13 dead United States servicemen, and hundreds of wounded. It includes hundreds of millions in destroyed military equipment and base facilities. It includes depletion of military armaments severe enough that manufacturers have been called to the White House to be strong-armed into speedily increased production. It includes the world economy taking a \$trillion hit. It includes the American people paying an additional \$billion a day for fuel since the start of the war with no end in sight. It includes agriculture worldwide seeing fertilizer costs skyrocket. It includes billions spent on the war itself. Some critics have said the settlement is just a return to the status quo, which would be a sad result for the price paid in blood and money. But this settlement is worse than a return to the status quo. It puts Iran in a much stronger position than they were before the war. Iran now will have 300 \$billion for "reconstruction". Iran will now have the sanctions on their oil exports lifted allowing them to sell \$billions that they could not sell before the war. Iran will now have the freeze on their bank accounts of over 100 \$billion lifted including over 24 \$billion in U.S. banks. The U.S. has to withdraw their forces from the proximity of Iran, whatever that means. Iran will now be able to levy fees for ships transiting the Strait of Hormuz. And the announced reasons for the war; regime change, no ballistic missiles, and no proxies are not achieved. That's not the status quo, that's Iran being rewarded! And Senator Marshall is praising the deal as a great victory. And we are no closer to seeing the Epstein files.

Ron Svaty, Ellsworth, Kansas 67439

Supporters of Senate Concurrent Resolution 1611 (SCR 1611) argue that Kansas's current system for selecting Supreme Court justices is broken. The evidence suggests otherwise. Critics of the current process often focus on three questions: whether the court's decisions are legally sound, whether the court is ideologically biased, and whether voters have meaningful oversight.

On legal performance, the Kansas Supreme Court compares favorably to courts nationwide. Since 1966, about 67% of Kansas cases reviewed by the U.S. Supreme Court have been reversed—roughly 10% lower than the national average. That record suggests the Kansas Supreme Court is functioning at a high level.

Claims of ideological bias are also baseless. Over the last decade, the court has issued rulings that pleased and frustrated people across the political spectrum. The same court that protected constitutional rights related to school funding, abortion, and voter registration has also approved additional abortion restrictions, upheld ballot-collection limits, and ended its oversight of school finance. That is not the record of a consistently biased court. It is the record of an ideologically neutral court.

Finally, Kansas already has voter accountability. Newly appointed justices must stand in a statewide retention election after one year, and every six years thereafter. These elections are non-partisan, and campaign dollars are prohibited, ensuring justices solely answer to Kansans—not political groups or wealthy donors.

SCR 1611 is a solution in search of a nonexistent problem. Vote NO on SCR 1611 in the August 2026 primary election.

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We love hearing our national anthem played. To see the American Olympic athletes win gold and stand on the podium to receive their medals makes our hearts swell with pride.

To watch an American president place his hand over his heart and stand at attention for the playing of the “Star Spangled Banner” gives a feeling of victory and protection.

Our precious flag is respected by the world. To say the United States of America is the greatest nation that ever existed may be controversial to some, but in many minds, it is reality.

Many of us remember when TV stations began the day and ended it with the national anthem and a picture of the American flag.

The story of the writing of “The Star Spangled Banner” by Francis Scott Key should touch the heart of every freedom loving American. Written September 14, 1814, Key was on a British truce ship in the Chesapeake Bay.

Key was inspired after watching a massive American flag continue to fly over Baltimore's Fort McHenry following a relentless 25-hour bombardment by the British Royal Navy during the War of 1812.

Many have died protecting that flag and our gratitude cannot be measured. Our respect for them cannot be compared. The sounds of “the bombs bursting in air” still ring loud in their ears.

The horrors of war will never end for those that fought.

Many came home missing limbs and thousands of others came home in body bags.

The following is an excerpt from an article I published several years ago entitled “The Sounds of Freedom.” It is as applicable now as then and a tribute to our 250 th anniversary as a nation.

“Out for my morning hike, I passed by an office building. There was a sloped area along the road and it was grown up with grass and small trees. Realizing I was hearing a sound that was unusual, I stopped and looked into the brushy area but saw no sign of life. It sounded small; possibly like a chipmunk or maybe even an armadillo; but nothing! Starting up my walk, the sound started again. What could that sound possibly be?

Finally, realizing there was a flagpole in the yard of the building, the sound was obviously the American flag blowing in the breeze. My heart almost exploded; what a beautiful sound the flag was making and I did not recognize it! The sounds of freedom at times fall on deaf ears.

We fail to stop and say “Thank you Lord for this great country and allowing me to be here, a citizen of the great United States of America.” Freedom and being an American are among our greatest blessings.

We hear sounds every day of our lives that verify our freedom.

Printing presses running are a sound of freedom. Freedom of the press is precious and must be preserved even though it has been perverted by the politically corrupt. A free press is essential to a republic in that

the people have a “right to know.”

The sound of children pledging allegiance to the flag is a sound of freedom. The sounds of a high school football game or the academic team competing with other schools teams are sounds of freedom. The clip-clop of an Amish buggy is a sound of freedom.

The sound of the Star Spangled Banner playing at a veteran activity is a sound of freedom. The veterans have paid a very high price for our freedoms of speech, the press, assembly, and many others. They deserve the best of everything this country has to offer; without them, there would be no country.

There are 172 national cemeteries with an undetermined number of graves because the number changes daily. In Arlington National Cemetery alone there are over 400,000 graves. The sound of silence in these is a sound of freedom that is deafening.

“It is for freedom that Christ has set us free.” This statement by the Apostle Paul in Galatians 1, tells us of a purpose of Christ's crucifixion. By His sacrificial death, mankind has freedom from the “yoke of sin” the world had previously experienced.

From the writing of the Ten Commandments until Christ's resurrection, the Jewish people had lived under the burden of being human but being expected to adhere to those commandments of God. Their atonement/redemption came by offering a blood sacrifice on the altar (Hebrews 9: 22). The laws for offering the sacrifice are stated in Leviticus and Deuteronomy in the Old Testament.

Then came Christ Jesus! The sounds of the Roman sol-

dier's hammer driving the nails into our Jesus' hands and feet were sounds of the freedom He offered us by bleeding, suffering and dying for our sins.

The sound of the stone being rolled away to allow Him to exit the tomb, resurrected and alive, was a sound of freedom.

Have we as a people, both Americans and Christians, tuned out those sounds and taken what we have for granted? Obviously, it was not granted easily. The prices paid were enormous. We think of the dead military men and women but they had families: mothers, fathers, sisters and brothers that also suffered immeasurably at their loss.

Their sacrifice set us free from an oppressive government. It is for freedom from sin that Christ has set us free. Only by forgiveness of sin based on His cleansing blood (1 John 1: 9) may we be saved. The suffering of Jesus is unimaginable in today's world of medicines/painkillers.

Are there words to express how precious freedom is? If there are, I do not know them. These great treasures of being an American as well as salvation through a crucified and resurrected Christ Jesus are priceless. Don't take them lightly.

As you go through the day, the week and the year, listen for the sounds. The flapping of the flag on a breezy morning really caught my attention and I pray those sounds will command your attention.”

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Fourth of July Holiday

SALINA, Kan. — OCCK, Inc. and OCCK Transportation will be closed on Friday, July 3, and Saturday, July 4, in observance of the Fourth of July holiday. OCCK Transportation services will not operate on Friday, July 3, or Saturday, July 4. This includes Paratransit vans and buses, Salina CityGo buses, 81 Connection buses, GoAbilene, GoConcordia, KanConnect, and OCCK OnDemand services. Regular transportation and business operations will resume on Monday, July 6, 2026.

About OCCK, Inc.

OCCK, Inc. is a private, nonprofit organization dedicated to helping people of all ages and abilities live independently and participate fully in their communities. Serving more than 6,500 people each year across North Central Kansas, OCCK provides a wide range of services including transportation, home and community-based supports, employment services, assistive technology, early intervention, and more. With more than 350 employees, OCCK works to create opportunities and remove barriers so people can live the lives they choose.

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Celebrate America’s 250th Birthday at Fort Hays State Historic Site

HAYS, KS – 4:30 - 10:30 p.m. Saturday, July 4, 2026

Join the Kansas Historical Society for an evening of history, music, and community as Fort Hays State Historic Site commemorates the nation’s 250th anniversary with a Fourth of July celebration.

Visitors will experience the sights and sounds of the frontier while celebrating 250 years of American history at one of Kansas’ most significant military posts. The evening’s activities include a reenactment of the arrival of the news of Lieutenant Colonel George Custer’s defeat at the Battle of Little Bighorn, offering visitors a glimpse into how one of the most consequential events of the American Indian Wars would have been received at Fort Hays in 1876. Guests can also enjoy an old-fashioned baseball game, performances by the Hays City Band, Sweet Remedy, Dave Zerfas, and more!

“This year marks the 250th year from the signing of the Declaration of Independence of the 13 Colonies from the Kingdom of Great Britain,” said Site Administrator Adam Conkey. “It also marks the 159th year of Historic Fort Hays and the first raising of the flag at this post in 1876, a flag of 37 stars. On June 25, 1876, Lt. Col. Custer and his command were destroyed at Little Bighorn 150 years ago. News reached Fort Hays officially two days later. After that telegram was received, companies of the 5th Cavalry prepared to move out and take part in the war on the northern plains. Historic Fort Hays has long been a cornerstone for history in the American West and we’re happy to celebrate its position and the nation’s on this July 4th.”

Fort Hays State Historic Site was established in 1865 to protect railroad workers and travelers on the Smoky Hill Trail. Today, the site preserves the stories of soldiers, settlers, and native peoples while interpreting the history of the American frontier through exhibits, living history, and education programs.

The event is free and open to the public. Fort Hays State Historic Site is located at 1472 U.S. Highway 183 Alternate, Hays, Kansas 67601. For more information, contact the site administrator at 785-625-6812 or by email at kshs.forthays@ks.gov.



The Most Important “NO” in American History
By Micah Bray

The Most Important ‘No’ in American History
“Calamity.”
That’s how he described the idea.
Not just any promotion.
The promotion.
The one people spend their entire lives chasing.
Absolute authority.
Imagine being at the height of your success. Everyone trusts you. People talk about you like you can solve every problem. The government is struggling. Confidence is low. Supporters begin saying maybe the rules should bend—just this once—because you’re the right person.
And your response?
No.
That feels almost impossible to imagine now.
But that’s exactly what happened.
The year was 1782.
America had not fully settled into being America yet. The Revolutionary War was winding down, but America’s future remained uncertain. The government, under the Articles of Confederation, was weak. Soldiers who had sacrificed years of their lives remained unpaid. Many questioned whether this experiment in self-government would survive.
One person stood above everyone else. He had become something between a military commander and folklore.
He crossed the Delaware. He held together an army that should have collapsed. He won at Yorktown.
He had public support, military loyalty, and something history tells us can be more powerful than either: momentum.
In many countries, this is the moment where republics quietly become monarchies.
And some people suggested exactly that. Colonel Lewis Nicola proposed that perhaps America should consider a monarchy—with George Washington at the center of it.
Washington’s response was immediate. He wrote that no event during the war had caused him “more painful sensations” than hearing such an idea.
Because Washington understood something bigger than victory. The Revolution had not been fought to exchange one King George for another. So instead of consolidating power, Washington did something almost unheard of. He resigned.
In December 1783, after leading the military to victory, he surrendered his commission before Congress and returned home to Mount Vernon.
King George III reportedly heard Washington intended to retire and remarked:
“If he does that, he will be the greatest man in the world.”
Retirement, of course, did not last. Washington later returned to preside over the Constitutional Convention and eventually accepted election as the nation’s first President.
But even then, he treated leadership as service—not ownership.
And then he did something remarkable a second time.
After two terms, he stepped away. Voluntarily.
That decision became one of the defining traditions of our republic.
That may be Washington’s greatest legacy.
He understood that freedom is not proven when someone gains power. It is proven when someone willingly gives it up.
As we reflect on 250 years of America, Washington’s example still matters.
The country did not become exceptional because one man took power. It endured because one man refused it.

The End of Democracy?
Mark R. Joslyn, University of Kansas
Insight Kansas June 24, 2026

As the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence approaches, celebrations will begin nationwide. Yet they arrive at a moment when warnings about the fate of our democracy grow louder and more urgent. Each party accuses the other of plotting tyranny, rigging elections, and pushing the system to the brink. The parties make these claims with remarkable confidence and with no regard for the consequences.
I recently spoke to a group of business professionals. Afterward, a man asked, with genuine concern on his face, whether I could promise that American democracy would still be intact a couple of years from now.
I’ve been getting some variation of this question for the past few years.
I assured him that it would endure, my belief grounded in a long history of political parties warning about democracy’s demise.
The Federalists, for example, claimed Thomas Jefferson’s election would destroy the republic, painting him as a dangerous radical aligned with the bloodshed of the French Revolution. They claimed his victory would unleash mob rule and threaten property rights.
Jefferson supporters charged John Adams’ reelection would push the country toward aristocracy, even monarchy. Adams, they avowed, was a tyrant who had abandoned the democratic ideals of the Revolution.
Post-Civil War, Republicans asserted that Democrats extinguished any hope of a multiracial democracy. They pointed to the one-party Democrat South as “the death of republican government,” and blasted urban Democrat machines as corrupt vote-buying operations run by crooked political bosses. Democrats countered that Republicans were the real danger to democracy, captured by greedy railroad barons and wealthy industrial monopolists. They condemned the GOP’s aggressive use of federal powers, using Reconstruction as a pretext to impose military rule, erode state rights, and manipulate electoral outcomes.
In the 1930s, Republicans accused Franklin Roosevelt of authoritarian, even dictatorial, behaviors, while Democrats insisted that democracy’s very survival depended on the president’s New Deal reforms.
In the 1960s, Republicans argued that mass protests were tearing the political system apart. Democrats responded with their own crisis rhetoric, framing the Watergate scandal as evidence of democracy’s failure, the system crumbling under the weight of corruption.
From this vantage point, today’s alarm bells are just the latest entry in a rich tradition of casting political conflict as democratic collapse.
To be clear, this doesn’t mean that party concerns are baseless. It means those concerns are familiar and recurrent. Parties evoke existential stakes because heightened urgency draws attention, which in turn mobilizes voters.
Their goal isn’t clarity. It’s anxiety.
So, it’s not surprising that Americans’ feel exhausted by politics and disillusioned with democracy.
Keep in mind, democracy’s never been a finished product. It’s always been a loud, messy battleground of competing ideas, always under pressure, and always evolving.
Since the Declaration, the country has endured wars, economic collapses, mass protests, and bitter partisan conflict. Our democracy has outlasted every wave of apocalyptic rhetoric and every passing politician.
It’s not collapsing. It’s just being pushed and challenged, the way it’s always been. Accepting that reality lowers the temperature. Enjoy the celebrations.

New law aims to improve safety in active construction, school zones
Construction season is in full swing, and there are some new changes that the Kansas Department of Transportation wants drivers to be aware of on Kansas roads this summer.

Senate Bill 366, which Governor Laura Kelly signed into law this spring, will go into effect on July 1. This law prohibits handheld mobile device use in active construction and school zones.

“Active” means in school zones when a reduced speed limit is enforced, and in construction zones while workers are present and signs are posted at the beginning of the road construction zone alerting drivers to such workers. Devices are still allowed to be used in hands-free mode. Removing the distraction of handheld devices in school and construction zones is an effort to improve safety in locations where vehicles and pedestrians or construction workers are brought into close contact with one another.

Law enforcement officers shall issue warning citations to anyone violating this law beginning July 1 and continuing until June 30, 2027, after which time traffic citations will be issued with a fine of \$60.

Senate Bill 366 also allows construction and maintenance vehicles to display green lights in addition to the currently allowed amber and white lights. It also allows blue lights on stationary trailers in construction zones during the hours between sunset and sunrise and when workers are present in the highway work construction zone.

J-Hill Road bridge is fully open to traffic
The Kansas Department of Transportation has completed bridge replacement of the J-Hill Road bridge over I-70 in Geary County. The bridge is now fully open to traffic.

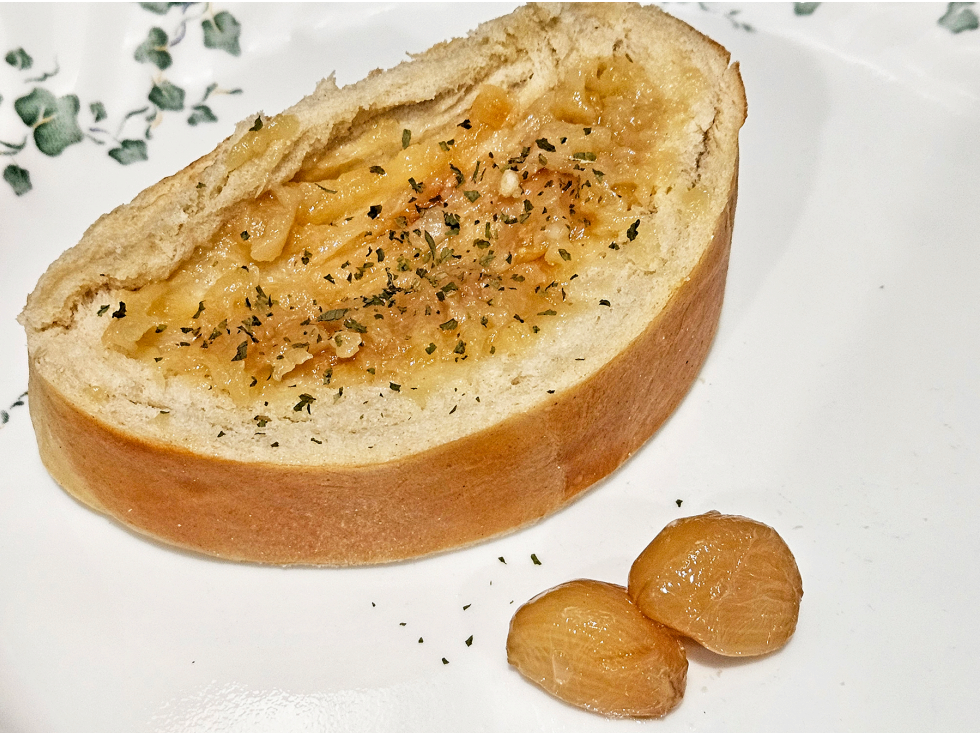
The J-Hill Road bridge was closed to traffic in March 2025 due to structural findings from a recent bridge inspection and bridge replacement began in August 2025.

King Construction, of Hesston, was the prime contractor for this project.

Check KDOT’s updated traveler information website, kandrive.gov, for more highway condition and construction details. Updates on highway projects in north central Kansas are available at [NewsReleases/District2-north central Kansas](http://NewsReleases/District2-north%20central%20Kansas)

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Garlic confit is made by slowly roasting whole cloves of fresh garlic in olive oil to create a nutty, spreadable garlic with a delicious, concentrated flavor.

Slow-roasted garlic confit creates ‘clove’ at first bite

I seem to always be several years behind on the big Internet cooking trends. I can’t tell if that’s because I’m skeptical of the hype or because I have too many recipes to try already. This week, though, I finally crossed one that I just hadn’t gotten around to off my list: garlic confit. Apparently, I’m just in the mood for weird French cooking terms lately. I wasn’t totally sure what constituted “confit,” but an article by J. Kenji López-Alt on the website “Serious Eats” breaks down the process. Essentially, López-Alt writes, “The word confit (pronounced ‘kon-FEE’) derives from the French verb confire, which simply means to preserve.” He goes on to write that, to confit, meats

ily preservation so much as wanting to completely transform fresh garlic. I read a few different techniques before I began my process, and I ended up combining several ideas to get where I wanted to go. America’s Test Kitchen and the Food Network have nice posts about the process and how they did it, for example, that are both a good read. In the end, I decided I wanted pure slow-roasted garlic, so while a lot of people add herbs like rosemary to their confit, I opted to leave it alone. **Garlic Confit**
Ingredients
at least 3 or 4 bulbs garlic
enough olive oil (I used extra virgin) to cover the cloves
Directions
Peel the whole cloves, trimming just a sliver off each to remove the root ends, and place them in a small oven-safe dish. (They don’t need to be spaced out at all. You just need enough room to cover them in oil.) (As a side note on peeling garlic, I

SpiceUpYourLife-GarlicConfit

Lindsey Young

or vegetables are traditionally slowly cooked in fat and fruits in a super-concentrated sugar syrup, which is supposed to kill off bacteria and keep it from growing later on. López-Alt said the way we use the term confit in modern cooking isn’t quite true to the tradition (or the part of speech), but it’s generally adjacent. In the case of this week’s recipe, my goal wasn’t necessarily

watched various people online put several cloves into a canning jar and shake them up for a bit, which had the magic effect of separating the skin from the cloves. I did this and had decent success with it, although some were still a bit stubborn. It definitely saved time, though.) Pour olive oil into the dish to just cover the cloves. Preheat the oven to 250 degrees and roast the cloves for one to one and one-half hours, checking after the first hour. The cloves are done when they’re a light, nutty brown and are completely soft. Let the garlic cool completely, and then you can use both the cloves and the oil in recipes where concentrated garlic flavor would be desirable. Or, you can eat it spread onto crusty bread and sprinkled with some of your favorite seasonings. Just strain the cloves from the garlic and spread them with a knife. Store the cloves and oil in the refrigerator. We are big into garlic at our house, so the hidden benefit of this was the aroma that filled our house while it roasted. The final product was a rich, concentrated garlic flavor that we have used for all kinds of applications, from a pasta that I’ll share with you soon to spreading it on burgers. The roasting process takes some of the bite out of the garlic, but it leaves all the flavor. And I have to be honest, I’m a little mad I didn’t try this sooner. But now that I have little containers of garlic confit and garlic-infused oil in my fridge, I can’t wait to find a ton of ways to use it before I run out. The French got this one right. 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.

Prairie Doc Perspective

A Critical Time for Public Health Advocacy

By: Jennifer Noll Folliard, MPH, RDN and DenYelle Baete Kenyon, Ph.D.

There is a common saying in public health: “Everything is public health”. That is because public health touches nearly every aspect of our daily lives. It is the clean water we drink, the air we breathe, the safety of the food we eat and the environments where we live, work, learn and play. These conditions do not happen by accident; they are shaped by policies, systems and collective investments. Much like public education, public health reflects a shared commitment to creating the conditions where all people have the opportunity to thrive. Public health is your local school nurse caring for children, your extension agent helping families and farmers, your WIC dietitian supporting healthy pregnancies and babies and your food inspector ensuring meals are safe to eat. Public health is as dynamic as the communities it serves. As communities change, public health must adapt to meet new challenges, respond to emerging threats and address evolving needs. Yet we are facing a troubling reality. For the first time in generations, today’s children are not on track to live as long as their parents. One reason for this is that public investment in health has not kept pace with the growing challenges facing our communities. We have seen significant disinvestment in public health infrastructure, prevention programs and community-based services. These decisions have consequences. When we underinvest in public health, we increase the risk of chronic disease, infectious disease outbreaks, preventable deaths, higher health care costs and reduced quality of life.

In South Dakota, nonprofit organizations, faith communities, health systems and private businesses often step in to fill gaps and support community well-being. Their contributions are essential. However, preparing for large-scale challenges such as natural disasters, emerging infectious diseases and public health emergencies requires coordinated local, state and federal systems. The COVID-19 pandemic reminded us that diseases do not recognize city, county, state or national borders. Maintaining strong public health infrastructure requires ongoing investment so communities can respond quickly and effectively when threats emerge. Public health works best when science and community experience inform one another. The most effective solutions are rarely simple, and they are seldom captured in a single headline or sound bite. They emerge when community members, health professionals, policymakers, businesses and local leaders work together to understand problems and develop practical, evidence-based solutions. The South Dakota Public Health Association (SDPHA) serves as a trusted source of public health information, and our role goes beyond sharing data and research. We want to help elevate the stories, challenges and successes happening in communities across South Dakota. Is your community struggling to access healthy food? Are you concerned about air quality, housing, transportation or other factors affecting health? Have local residents come together to solve a problem

in an innovative way? Policy makers and community leaders want to hear those stories. Public health is strongest when it reflects the experiences of the people it serves. Now is the time to share your stories of challenges and successes in your communities. SDPHA can help amplify community voices, share promising solutions and connect local experiences to state and local decision-makers. Together, we can build healthier, stronger and more resilient communities. We invite you to share your challenges, successes and ideas so that we can learn from one another and create solutions that work for all South Dakotans. Jennifer Folliard, MPH, RDN, is the founder and principal consultant at Health + Nutrition First and lead of the rapid response team for South Dakota Public Health Association. She is a registered dietitian with expertise in public health systems and policies. Jenn received her Bachelor of Science in human nutrition and food/nutrition in business from Purdue University and her Master of Public Health, focused on public health policy and systems of care, from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. In her previous position as the maternal child health director for the South Dakota Department of Health, Jenn worked with multi-sector partners to develop and advance priorities that would improve the health of South Dakota families. Before moving to South Dakota, she worked in Washington, D.C., for 10 years, conducting state and federal policy research and advocating for these policies to build effective public

health systems. DenYelle Baete Kenyon, Ph.D., holds several positions, including legislative chair of the South Dakota Public Health Association; University of South Dakota associate dean of Community Health & Engagement and Master of Public Health Program director; and professor of pediatrics at the Sanford School of Medicine. She received her B.S. in family social science from the University of Minnesota and went on to receive a Ph.D. in family studies and human development from the University of Arizona. DenYelle worked at Sanford Research for 11 years as a public health researcher, focusing on teen pregnancy/STI prevention, undergraduate research training and helping lead the Collaborative Research Center for American Indian Health. At USD for the past seven years, DenYelle leads community health and engagement efforts for the medical school and the Master of Public Health program, where she is fortunate to work with teams on increasing underrepresented students in health care careers and training future medical and public health practitioners on achieving health equity. Follow The Prairie Doc® at www.prairiedoc.org, Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and Tik Tok. Prairie Doc Programming includes On Call with the Prairie Doc®, a medical Q&A show (most Thursdays at 7pm on YouTube and streaming on Facebook), 2 podcasts, and a Radio program (on SDPB, Sundays at 6am and 1pm).

View from the Hill with Scott Hill

The Importance of the \$2 Bill

Somewhere tucked in a certain spot many of us have a two-dollar bill. When the “new” bill was introduced in 1976, it was supposed to take over for the old reliable one dollar note. The two dollar has never been a popular denomination. However, as we celebrate our quarter millennium of existence as a country, the two spot has a particular significance. If you have one you can take it out and check my facts. The back of the note has a famous painting turned into an engraving for printing purposes. The birth of our country, which will be celebrated in less than two weeks, is portrayed in this painting of the second continental congress passing the Declaration of Independence. As I am writing this, 250 years ago Thomas Jefferson was drafting the document that would become the foundation of this great nation. Jefferson did not like to speak in public and rarely commented during Congress; however, when he had the quill in his hand and ink in his well his brilliance shown out. The opening words to our official letter to the British Crown and anyone else who cared, are the most eloquent depiction of a true government ever conceived. The back of the two-dollar bill commemorates the signing, but the

front has a likeness of the author. Thomas Jefferson wrote in his original draft 75% of the final Declaration. While Jefferson lamented that more of his words were not included, the fact that there were five drafters on the committee and his words comprised nearly all of the final is amazing. Jefferson is described often as a “Renaissance Man.” He was a food connoisseur in a time when utilitarianism was the common view of sustenance. He also was a wine snob and a storied architect. His home, Monticello, is still recognized for its outstanding architecture. Additionally, Jefferson was an archeologist, was well educated, and spoke six languages: English, French, Latin, Spanish, Italian, and Greek. More importantly than his accomplishments, though, is the political philosophy that he birthed in our liberation document. While Jefferson was conflicted with the idea of slavery, he created a framework for freedom like the world had never seen. His idea that the slave trade should be abolished was not included in our founding document, but the success of individual freedom that he conceived eventually led to the Emancipation Proclamation. The radical ideas that humans have God given rights to life, to liberty, and to eco-

nomie freedom are revolutionary especially when connected to the next radical idea. Secondly, Jefferson and his colleagues concluded that the only transcending purpose of government was to protect those rights. Finally, the third tenant is that the governed not only deserved to have those rights protected, but that when government fails in that sacred duty it is not only the right but also the obligation for the governed to overthrow the government. Thomas Jefferson went on to have a very successful political career that ended with him becoming the third president of the United States even though his tombstone does not mention that accomplishment. In reflecting on Jefferson’s death, it is important to note that he died on the same day that the Declaration was passed, only 50 years later when he was eighty-three. You see, as we celebrate on July 4 th the beginning of our country 250 years ago, we should also celebrate the man who put the ideas into writing. It is the bicentennial of his death. I would suggest you find your two-dollar bill in remembrance. If you do not have one, get one or two to remember the contribution of Thomas Jefferson.



HOLLAND SUNFLOWERS MINUTES

The monthly meeting of the Holland Sunflowers 4-H club came to order on June 15, 2026 at Rural Center Elementary School at 7:05 PM. The meeting was called to order by president Carleigh Abeldt. The flag salute and 4-H pledge were led by Gunner Bohannan. Gunner Bohannan, Colton Abeldt, and Colter Nagely let the club in singing the ABCs. Roll call was answered by the question, “Would you rather have to give up ice cream or candy?” It was answered by 20 members, 1 leader, and numerous parents and guests.

During the program Colter and Josie Nagely both gave member of the month talks. Sam Kruger gave a project talk about his photography. He showed us some of the pictures that he had previously taken to the fair. During recreation all members played outside on the playground. Refreshments of Kool-Aid, chocolate chip cookies, and rice krispies were served.

During the business portion of the meeting officer report reports were given by the treasurer, reporter, and council rep. Leader Bailey Hedstrom reported that the friends of 4-H picnic will be on July 8, and that we are doing a patriotic themed trash can for CKFF. Beef project leader Axie Shrack informed us that there will be a beef meeting July 5 to go over hair care and showmanship at her house. Sheep project leader Colton Abeldt said that there was a sheep showmanship camp next Saturday. The cemetery, banner, club tour, and trashcan committees all gave reports. There was no unfinished business. During new business, we moved to buy ice cream sandwiches for our pool party, which we would have next month after our meeting. Announcements were given reminding members that our pool party was June 19 at the Abilene pool. We adjourned the meeting by standing and reciting the 4-H motto: To Make The Best Better.

Autumn Felbush

Pictured Above: Gunner Bohannan, Colton Abeldt, and Colter Nagely let the club in singing the ABCs

Pictured to Right: Sam Kruger giving his photography talk while Colter Nagely holds it for him.



