THE PAST AT A GLANCE

140 Years Ago
The Republican Citizen
January 9, 1885

–Quite a large number of settlers are coming into the county, and locating on South Beaver and on the Sappas.

–Pat. Reber, the locator, whose headquarters are on the North Sappa, was in town this week. Mr. Reber continues to bring them in, and locate settlers on some of the best land in Kansas.

–In returning a letter directed to N. Yankey, the postmaster at Spear Fish, Dakota Territory, informs us that Mr. Yankey disappeared from there about a year ago, and that it is throught he had been murdered.

80 Years Ago
The Citizen-Patriot
January 11, 1945

Harry M. Mann Missing in Action

Pfc. Harry M. Mann is missinig in action near the Saar sector.

He was reported missing in action in Germany on Dec. 12, according to a telegraphic message received by his wife on December 23 from the War Department.

Pfc. Mann is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Mann of Edson, Kansas, also a brother of C. W. Mann, of Atwood.

–Cpl. Baird Hill, who has been stationed in the Hawaiian Islands for some time, has notified his parents that he is now somewhere in the Philippine Islands.

–Pfc. Billy Hill is in a hospital somewhere in Belgium, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hill. No more details were given, but he has been in the hospital for the past month.

–Walter Hamill, who was wounded in action in France some time in September and who has been in a hospital in England for the past one and one-half months, has been returned to the United States and is at present in Halloran General Hospital, Staten Island, New York

50 Years Ago
The Citizen-Patriot
January 9, 1975

New Deputy Sheriff Takes Over Duties

James M. Richardson, Jr., of Stratton, Neb. assumed his duties as Deputy Sheriff of Rawlins County Thursday, Jan. 2, Sheriff Pete Beims announced today.

Richardson, an experienced lawman, has served as patrolman in McCook, Neb., since his discharge from the Army in February 1974. He received his training in law enforcement while attached to the Military Police during his service in Hawaii.

Jim's father, James M. Richardson, is a rancher south of Stratton, and his aunt and uncle are Malcolm and Betty McFee, 513 S. 5th, Atwood. His grandmother, Emily Richardson, taught country school in Rawlins County for many years.

Atwood Public Library

December 2024 New Books

Adult Fiction
Between the Lines by Jan Fields
Every Trick in the Book by Tara Johnson
Reading the Stars by Elizabeth Penney
Two for the Books by Jolyn Sharp
Written in Time by Jan Fields
Turn Another Page by Elizabeth Penney
And the Plot Thickens by Jeanette Hanscome
In Past Tense by Mary Alford
Love Notes by Elizabeth Penney
A Novel Approach by Tara Johnson
A New Chapter by Barbara Josselsohn
The Last Word by Jeanette Hanscome
William by Mason Coile
Women's Hotel by Daniel M. Lavery
The House Keepers Secret by Iona Grey
Lies He Told Me by James Patterson
The House of Cross by James Patterson
The Mighty Red by Louise Erdrich
To Die For by David Baldacci
Trial by Fire by Danielle Steel
Killer House Party by Lily Anderson
It Lasts Forever and Then It's Over by Anne De Marcken
Greta by Manon Steffan Ros
Strangers on a Train by Patricia Highsmith
The Price of Salt, or Carol by Patricia Highsmith
The Mirror by Nora Roberts
The Circus Train by Amita Parikh
The Wood at Midwinter by Susanna Clark

Adult Non-Fiction
Pain, Parties, Work: Sylvia Plath in New York, Summer 1953 by Elizabeth Winder
The Dead of Winter by Sarah Clegg
The October Country by Ray Bradbury
Case Study House by Elizabeth A. T. Smith

Mystery
Now or Never by Janet Evanovich
Killing Time by M.C. Beaton
The Sunset Years of Agnes Sharp by Leonie Swann
A Woman Underground by Andrew Klavan

Large Print
Midnight Harbor by Davis Bunn
An Insignificant Case by Phillip Margolin

Juvenile/Young Adult
More About Paddington by Michael Bond
Amelia Bedelia Wraps It Up by Herman Parish
The Bad Guys in One Last Thing by Aaron Blabey
Quest in Yosemite National Park by Aaron Johnson
Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Hot Mess by Jeff Kinney
Paddington Abroad by Michael Bond
The Princess in Black and the Kitty Catastrophe by Shannon Hale
Immortal Dark by Tigest Girma

Children's Fiction
A Pinecone! By Helen Yoon
Jingle Bells by Ben Kirchner
Little Hare Finds a Gift by Oleksandr Shatokhin
The Power of Snow by Bob Raczka
Christmas at Hogwarts by J.K. Rowling
Santa's First Christmas by Mac Barnett
The Last Tamale by Orlando Mendiola
A Mouse Family Christmas by Deborah Underwood
One Foggy Christmas Eve by Kerilynn Wilson
Ted Kooser: More Than a Local Wonder by Carla Ketner
The King Penguin by Vanessa Roeder
Gabriel and the Christmas Star by Claudia West
How to Catch a Dinosaur by Adam Wallace
If You ever want to Bring a Pirate to Meet Santa, Don't! by Elise Parsley

Board Books
Trick or Treat Pout-Pout Fish by Deborah Diesen
Llama Llama Gives Thanks by Anna Dewdney
Merry Christmas by DK
This Little Turkey by Aly Fronis
Bluey I Love My Family by Bluey

Museum Happenings

By Lynda Hurst and Lynette Kanak, Curators

It is your last chance to see the Holiday Barbies. We will be open from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 12 for the last showing of the Holiday Barbies. They were such fun, and we want to invite you to bring a friend and stop by to see them. Thank you, Marilyn, for sharing them with us.

We also want to announce our Annual Dinner Meeting. It will begin at 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25 at the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Atwood. Dick Carman will give the program on Highway 36 or the KCD Airline, from Dirt to Blacktop. Tickets for the dinner must be purchased in advance from the museum for $15 for adults and $10 for children 18 and under.

The program only is free to the public and will begin at 7 p.m. Purchase tickets at the Rawlins County Historical Society Museum, 308 State St. Atwood, KS 67730. Our phone number is 785-626-3885.

Applications open for Boys State 2025

The American Legion Boys State of Kansas is accepting applications for its 2025 session. The event is set to be held Sunday, June 1, through Saturday, June 7, at Kansas State University in Manhattan. This will be the program's 33rd consecutive session at KSU and 87th overall.

Traditionally, Kansas Boys State has been for individuals who will complete their junior year of high school in the spring just prior to the start of each session. However, the ALBSK program will again expand the pool of applicants for this year's session to also include those who will complete their sophomore year of high school this spring.

Boys State is a "learning by doing" political exercise that simulates elections, political parties and government at the state, county and local levels, providing opportunities to lead under pressure, showcasing character and working effectively within a team. It's also an opportunity to gain pride and respect for government, and the price paid by members of the military to preserve democracy.

The cost to attend the Boys State of Kansas program is $375; however, in many instances, sponsors pay the majority of the fees, with the delegate or his family paying $50. Those wishing to attend the 2025 session should visit ksbstate.org to apply. The deadline to apply for the 2025 program is Wednesday, April 30; applications are accepted after that date, but on a space-available basis. In addition, those who register by Friday, Jan. 31, will receive a $50 early-bird discount.

Kansas Boys State attendees are eligible to receive a three-hour course credit (Introduction to Political Science [POLSC 110]) through Kansas State University, as well as earn merit badges to attain the Eagle Scout rank through Boy Scouts of America. Additionally, attendees can apply to win a Samsung American Legion Scholarship. The American Legion Department of Kansas finalist is guaranteed to receive a $1,250 scholarship, with the opportunity to receive up to $10,000 as a national scholar.

Delegates, nominated by their school counselors or other influential persons in their lives, are sponsored by American Legion posts and various civic organizations across Kansas. All delegates demonstrate outstanding leadership qualities in student government, athletics and/or other activities.

For complete information about the American Legion Boys State of Kansas program, visit ksbstate.org.

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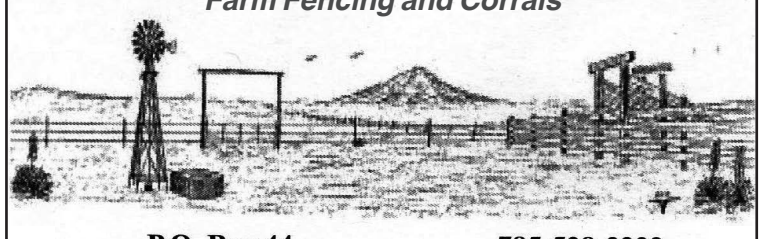
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Full-time Appraisal Clerk

The Rawlins County Appraiser's Office is accepting applications for a full-time appraisal clerk. Applicant must have a valid driver's license and a high school diploma or equivalent. Applicant must have good math, computer, and communication skills. Attention to detail is a must. Applicant must be able to work in adverse weather conditions. **Applications may be picked up in the Appraiser's Office at 607 Main Street, Ste. A, Atwood, KS.**

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Results of the Market Study Analysis
Rawlins County Assessment Year 2025
January 6, 2025

Pursuant to K.S.A. 1995 SUPP. 79-1460a.
A study of the real estate market indicated there was an upward trend in areas of residential neighborhoods, commercial real estate, and vacant real estate for the 2025 tax year.
Values on specific properties may not follow the general trend because of the changes in the property, corrections of descriptive information, or adjustment of value based on sales of similar properties.

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LEGAL NOTICE REGARDING REVISED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Pursuant to K.S.A. 82a-1029 the Board of Directors of the Northwest Kansas Groundwater Management District No. 4, hereby gives notice of a public hearing on its state-approved Revised Management Program, to be held February 19, 2025, beginning at 2 p.m. C.S.T., at the Sheridan County 4-H Building, HWY 23, Hoxie, Kansas. The alternate date is Wednesday, February 26, 2025. A copy of the proposed plan is available for inspection in the offices of the groundwater management district. Any person desiring to be heard in this matter, must file with the groundwater management district board, at the office, a written statement of his or her intent to appear and a summary of the testimony he or she intends to present, in duplicate, at least five (5) days in advance of the hearing date.

Attest: Brett Oelke, GMD 4 Board President

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF RAWLINS COUNTY, KANSAS
PROBATE DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of
MARY DODGE, Deceased.
Case No: RA-2024-PR-000035

NOTICE OF HEARING
Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this court by Lance T. Lindsay, as a surviving heir of Mary Dodge, deceased, praying for the determination of the descent of the following described real estate:
Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of Section Eleven (11), Township One (1) South, Range Thirty-three (33) West of the 6th P.M., Rawlins County, Kansas.

and all other property, real and personal, or interests therein, owned by the decedent at the time of death; and you are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before February 14, 2025, 10:00 a.m. of said day, in said court, in the City of Atwood, Rawlins County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition.

/s/ Lance T. Lindsay
Lance T. Lindsay, Petitioner

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