

Pie Fundraiser
Musical Night of
The Little Mermaid!

Friday, November 14
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm & Intermission
Horton High School Commons
Free Will Donation!
Money raised supports scholarships
and other activities!
Provided by P.E.O. Chapter EE of Horton

The Horton Headlight

Now Open
New Salon in Town
Beauty
by *Kristan*

210 East 15th, Horton
Days: Tuesday thru Friday
By Appointment Only
913-426-7664

Headlight office is open Fridays 9:00-3:00 phone 785-486-2512 headlight@carsoncomm.com or you may call Susan Higley at her home 785-872-3245

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**Salute
to Veterans**

See our local veterans
list on page 3!
THANK A VETERAN
WHEN YOU SEE THEM!

Luke Lott's vision comes reality

Submitted by Ashley Lott
Its no longer a dream, it's reality for local artist Luke Lott! After 2 years of hard work and determination Lott's vision for a Veterans Memorial Mural has finally become a reality in the heart of Horton, Kansas.

The new mural, located next to The Veterans Park along Central Avenue, is a stunning tribute to the brave men and women who have served our country. This project would not have been possible without the support of the Hiawatha Masonic Lodge, who generously donated \$500 to the City of Horton for a mural project, as well as Rick Clement and Jacob Lott for their donations. These contributions were instrumental in bringing Lott's vision to life.

"I am thrilled to see this project come full circle" said Luke Lott. "Its finished. Been a heck of a project and by far the largest I've ever done. They say that gifts aren't given to you, for you. They are given to you to share with everyone else. Thank you everyone for all the support, compliments , and stopping by to shout or visit while this was in the process."

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Luke Lott stands beside his completed mural.

Kickapoo Tribe in Kansas Responds to Federal Sentencing of Former Tribal Chairman Lester Randall

Kickapoo Press Release
KICKAPOO RESERVATION — The Kickapoo Tribe in Kansas has been informed that the United States District Court for the District of Kansas has sentenced former Tribal Chairman Lester Randall to 120 months (10 years) in federal prison, followed by five years of supervised release, for sexual exploitation of a minor (receipt of child pornography).
The sentencing was handed down by U.S. District Judge Toby Crouse on October 29, 2025, in Topeka, Kan-

sas, under Case No. 5:24-CR-40072-001. Randall pleaded guilty to one count under 18 U.S.C. §2252 (a)(2)(A). The court dismissed the remaining counts at the government's request.

As part of his sentence, Randall is required to register as a sex offender under federal law, is prohibited from having contact with minors or his victims, and must comply with extensive computer and cybercrime monitoring restrictions. The court also imposed financial assessments totaling

\$1,100, with restitution to victims scheduled for determination on January 7, 2026.

The Kickapoo Tribe in Kansas reiterates that the Kickapoo Tribal Court has banished Randall from the Tribe for sixty (60) years following his convictions in Tribal Court for attempted homicide and attempted arson.

"The acts committed by Mr. Randall were reprehensible and deeply damaging to victims, families,

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Brown County District Court

Compiled by Melanie Davis, Headlight reporter

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Preliminary hearing on Bethany Gail Streeter, Sabetha, KS., has been scheduled for Nov. 19. She is charged with criminal threat, a level 9 nonperson felony and 5 counts of battery a class A person misdemeanor.

Arraignment on Glenda Marie Mendez, Horton, KS., was held and has been continued to Dec. 1. She is charged with possession of methamphetamine, a drug severity level 5 felony; 2 counts of endangering a child, a class A person misdemeanor; and possession of drug paraphernalia, a class B nonperson misdemeanor.

Preliminary hearing on Norman Ernest Butts, Hiawatha, KS., was held and has been continued to Dec. 10. She is charged with possession of methamphetamine, a drug severity level 5 felony; possession of marijuana, a drug severity level 5 felony; possession of drug paraphernalia, a class B nonperson misdemeanor;

driving while license canceled, suspended or revoked, a class B nonperson misdemeanor.

Arraignment on Patricia Anne McKinney, Hiawatha, KS., has been scheduled for Nov. 17. She is charged with three counts of aggravated endangering a child, a level 9 person felony; possession of methamphetamine, a drug severity level 5 felony; interference with law enforcement, a level 9 nonperson felony; possession of marijuana, a class B nonperson misdemeanor; and possession of drug paraphernalia, a class B nonperson misdemeanor.

Arraignment on Peter James Carter, Hiawatha, KS., has been scheduled for Dec. 1. He is charged with three counts of endangering a child, a level 9 person felony; possession of methamphetamine, a drug severity level 5 felony; possession of drug paraphernalia, a class B nonperson misdemeanor, a class B nonper-

son misdemeanor.

Sentencing on Ronald Lee Brook has been scheduled for Nov. 17. He is charged with possession of methamphetamine, a drug severity level 5 felony; possession of marijuana, a drug level 5 felony; and possession of drug paraphernalia, a class B nonperson misdemeanor.

Arraignment on Betsy Marie Sweet was held and has been continued to Nov. 5. She is charged with possession marijuana, a class B nonperson misdemeanor and possession of drug paraphernalia, a class B nonperson misdemeanor.

Arraignment on Michelle Marie Johnson was held and has been continued to Dec. 17. She is charged with possession marijuana, a class B nonperson misdemeanor and possession of drug paraphernalia, a class B nonperson misdemeanor.

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City/School Election Results

Unofficial results. 14% voter turnout

General Election results for City and School positions:

Schools USD #415

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| Position #4 | Roni Tietjens | 443 |
| Position #5 | Orveda M. Anderson | 140 |
| | Phil Roberts | 338 |
| Position #6 | Brooklyn Schuetz | 439 |
| USD #430 | | |
| Position #4: | Shelby Rice | 348 |
| Position #5: | Sarah Stirtan | 133 |
| | Katelyn Ross | 238 |

City Offices

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|-----------------------------|----------------|----|
| Everest City | | |
| Mayor | Alfred Kimmi | 54 |
| City Council (2 pos., 4-yr) | Steven Welch | 38 |
| | Kaylee Dobbins | 21 |
| City Council (1 pos., 2-yr) | Jesse Kimmi | 59 |
| Fairview City | | |
| City Council (3 pos, 2-yr) | Bridget Harvey | 16 |
| | Charles Kramer | 18 |

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| Hamlin City | | |
| Mayor (2-yr) | Kenneth H. Belden Jr | 7 |
| City Council (5 pos., 2-yr) | Michele L. Belden | 7 |
| | Mac Belden | 7 |
| Horton City | | |
| City Commission (Streets/Utilities, 4-yr) | David B Spain | 77 |
| City Commission (Finance, 4-yr) | Bobby E. Bacon | 51 |
| Morrill City | | |
| Mayor (2-yr): | Linda Wymer | 19 |
| City Council (5 pos, 2-yr) | Gage Becker | 15 |
| | Chad Youde | 22 |
| | Duane P. Perry | 19 |

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| Luke Pollock | 15 | |
| Norwood (Jim) Foster | 13 | |
| Lyle Chadwell | 17 | |
| Sharon Willey | 16 | |
| Elizabeth Pollock | 15 | |
| Tracy Sharp | 21 | |
| Rerserve City | | |
| Mayor (2-yr term): | John Ross | 1 |
| City Council (5 pos, 2-yr) | Thad Harms | 2 |
| | Roslyn D. Ross | 2 |
| | Jerry Sanders | 2 |
| Robinson City | | |
| Mayor (2-yr) | Kelly Griswold | 56 |
| City Council (5 pos, 2-yr) | Arthur Malott | 47 |

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| Willis City | | |
| Mayor (2yr) | Branden L. Thomas | 6 |
| City Council (5 pos, 2-yr) | Nancy Rutland | 7 |
| | David W. Hartley | 6 |
| | Charlene Branch | 7 |
| | Bonnie Jacobson | 7 |

Headlight office closed this Friday

The Headlight office will not be open Friday, Nov. 7, while Susan Higley has eye surgery. You may contact the Wathena office at 785-989-4415 if you need anything. Sorry for the inconvenience. Thank you for your understanding.

Rainbow Communications Awards \$11,114 to Support Local Projects

Rainbow Communications is proud to announce the recipients of the 2025 Rainbow Community Grant Program, awarding a total of \$11,114 to support local projects that strengthen and enhance communities across Rainbow's service area.

Through the Community Grant Program, Rainbow provides annual funding to support local projects that make communities safer, stronger, and better connected.

The 2025 grant recipients include:

- **Atchison County Fair Board Association – \$1,500**
Funding will replace the outdated PA system in the Show Barn and 4-H Barns to ensure clear communication, safe operations, and an improved experience for participants and visitors.

- **Everest Little League – \$4,614**
This project will replace the existing baseball scoreboard with a modern, energy-efficient system that enhances visibility and experience for players and spectators.

- **City of Whiting – \$5,000**
Funding will support the installation of a gravel parking area and electrical updates to the shelter house located in the South Park.

"It's inspiring to see how much heart and effort these groups put into improving their communities. We're proud to play a small part in helping their ideas come to life," said Julie Bergman, Senior Business Development Specialist at Rainbow Communications.

In addition to the Rainbow Community Grant recipients, Rainbow also partnered with the Foundation for Rural Service (FRS) to award a \$5,000 grant to the Boys & Girls Club of Atchison for technology and STEM lab upgrades—bringing Rainbow's total 2025 community impact to more than \$16,000 in grant funding across Northeast Kansas.

November 11, 2025  Project by Reinvent Horton and Veterans

VETERANS' MEMORIAL PARK AND MUSEUM SERVICE

837 & 841 CENTRAL HORTON, KS

★ **Beginning at 11 AM** ★
★ **Luncheon at 12 PM** ★
★ **with** ★
★ **Museum and Park tours to follow** ★

