

Historic Times: The Midnight Ride Of ... Whom?

By Roger Hardaway
One of the literary works most of us remember from school is “Paul Revere’s Ride,” a poem by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. It forever implanted in our minds the vision of Revere riding in 1775 to warn Massachusetts colonists that the British were coming! For months, British troops in Boston had been dealing with increasingly militant colonists who were, according to rumor, stockpiling guns and ammunition. British officials decided that they needed to stop this activity before it led to greater problems for them. British soldiers left Boston on the night of April 18, 1775, looking for weapons and hoping to arrest two colonial troublemakers, Samuel Adams and John Hancock.

Revere left Boston shortly after the troops did, to warn the locals that they were in imminent danger. The next day, the colonists stood their ground against the British redcoats at the battles of Lexington and Concord. The Revolutionary War had begun!

But Longfellow played fast and loose with the facts. He used “poetic license” to alter events to meet his literary needs. The result is a great poem—but lousy history.

A second rider, William Dawes, left Boston when Revere did—but took a different route. Both Revere and Dawes arrived at Lexington and issued their warnings. Then, they headed toward Concord.

Before long, they met a young local medical doctor, Samuel Prescott, who

decided to ride with them. The three men were soon waylaid, however, by British troops. In an attempt to avoid capture, they rode off in different directions.

Dawes escaped, but his horse threw him and he ended his night by walking back to Lexington. Revere was captured and briefly detained by British troops before being released in Lexington. The only one of the three who got to Concord and warned the locals there was Prescott.

But neither Dawes nor Prescott appear in Longfellow’s poem. Historians of the American Revolution think that both men were as important—and perhaps more so—than Revere. But it is Revere who became famous—thanks to Longfellow’s historically inaccurate poem!

Tick, Tick, Tick: Warm Weather Creates Opportunity For Blood-Sucking Parasite

By Pat Melgares, K-State Research and Extension news service
MANHATTAN, KS – ‘Tis the season for warmer temperatures, getting outdoors and playing in green, grassy fields – all fun, but also conditions that favor a blood-sucking parasite that preys on humans, pets and livestock.

Due to the early warming weather, Kansas State University entomologist Cassandra Olds said ticks have already been found around Manhattan in mid-March.

Many tick bites are harmless, but some ticks can transmit pathogens causing diseases such as Lyme disease and Rocky Mountain spotted fever. Olds said that avoiding tick bites is the first level of defense.

“Be careful when you’re outdoors, especially when you’re in an area with long grass,” she said. “Ticks need to be protected from the elements, so they like to be in the grass and leaf litter, but then they come out looking for a meal.”

When in tall grassy areas, Olds suggests tucking pants into socks, and shirts

into pants to limit tick access to your skin. You can even duct tape shirt sleeves to skin.

“You just really want to limit the entry points where a tick can get in,” she said. “Then, once you’re back indoors, take off your clothes, put them in the wash and do a full body check.”

If a tick is found on the body, and it is not embedded you can pick it off to remove. If it has attached, Olds suggests using the thumb and forefinger to pull it away from the body with steady but firm pressure.

Olds said that once a tick finds a host, it must penetrate the skin, secure its mouth parts and initiate feeding – which takes about 24 to 48 hours. She said that if ticks can be repelled, prevented from attaching or killed during this period, then it reduces the chance that it will have transmitted a pathogen. “I always get people freaked out when I say this, but you should then store that tick in a Ziploc bag in the freezer for two weeks,” she said. “If by chance that tick was carrying (a pathogen) and you start getting flu-like symptoms, or feeling sick, you can then take that tick with you to your doctor or send to (K-State’s Department of Entomology) for identification. If we know what tick species it is, it narrows down what you might be infected with, which gives us a head start for treatment.”

The tick species that most commonly infest people and domestic animals in Kansas are the American dog tick, lone star tick, winter tick, and the blacklegged tick (or

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IN THE THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT, HARPER COUNTY, KANSAS PROBATE DEPARTMENT

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE)
)
OF) Case No. HP-2025-PR-07
)
ROBERT E. FINN,)
a/k/a Robert Earl Finn, Deceased.)

Pursuant to Chapter 59, K.S.A.

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Terry L. Finn, an heir of Robert E. Finn, a/k/a Robert Earl Finn, deceased, praying that the foreign Will filed with the Petition be admitted to probate and record without administration in this Court; that the Will be construed; and that the property described in the Petition be assigned to the person entitled thereto in accordance with the terms of the Will.

YOU ARE REQUIRED to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 21st day of May, 2025 at 1:30 o'clock p.m. of said day, in such court, located at 200 N. Jennings, Anthony, Harper County, Kansas, at which time and place such cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Terry L. Finn, Petitioner

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IN THE THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT, HARPER COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF)
JEREMY S. GREEN, deceased.) CASE NO. HP-2025-PR-08

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Holli N. Green, heir and surviving spouse of Jeremy S. Green, deceased, requesting:

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

Tract #1: Commencing at the Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) of Section Two (2), Township Thirty-Two (32) South, Range Eight (8) West of the 6th P.M. in Harper County, Kansas; Thence Easterly along the South line of said Southwest Quarter and on an assumed bearing of S9000'00"E a distance of 1049.97 feet to the Point of Beginning; Thence continuing Easterly on a bearing of S9000'00"E a distance of 958.00 feet to a point; Thence North on a bearing of N0000'00"W a distance of 455.00 feet to a point; Thence West on a bearing of N9000'00"W a distance of 958.00 feet to a point; Thence South on a bearing of S9000'00"E a distance of 455.00 feet to the South line of said quarter section and the Point of Beginning. Said tract contains 10.01 acres more or less including road right-of-way;

and

Tract #2: Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) of Section Two (2), Township Thirty-Two (32) South, Range Eight (8) West of the 6th P.M. in Harper County, Kansas; Thence Easterly along the South line of said Southwest Quarter and on an assumed bearing of S9000'00"E a distance of 730.97 feet to the Point of Beginning; Thence continuing Easterly on a bearing of S9000'00"E a distance of 319.00 feet to a point; Thence North on a bearing of N0000'00"W a distance of 455.00 feet to a point; Thence West on a bearing of N9000'00"W a distance of 350.00 feet to a point; Thence Southerly on a bearing of S353'52"E a distance of 456.05 feet to the South line of said quarter section and the Point of Beginning. Said tract contains 3.49 acres more or less including road right-of-way.

and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by decedent at the time of death. And that such property and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by the decedent at the time of death be assigned pursuant to the laws of intestate succession.

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before May 7, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. in the Harper County District Court, Harper 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.

Holli N. Green, Petitioner

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