

Out-of-the-Past Photos



Any information about these and other photos that have run in this section is encouraged and welcome. We love hearing from you. Please email responses to: vindicator@jeffcountynews.com.

Response to last week's photos

Gone fishin'

The first picture in the July 10 Out-of-the-Past photo is Don Heineken and Tom Kearney, maybe after a fishing tournament.

— Deann Wehking (Tom's sister), Valley Falls

Out of the Past

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125 years ago ...

1910
• Born to Rev. and Mrs. R. O. Harris, July 27, 1910, a 15-pound girl.
• The Sunday school boys in camp at Cedar Falls are having a fine time. Wednesday they were visited by the mothers and ladies of the church.

65 years ago ...

August 10, 1960
• A junior leadership program was stressed at the 15th annual 4-H junior leadership conference last week at Rock Springs ranch. Delegates from Jefferson County were Donald Schrick, Barbara Fay, and Galen Call.
The sessions included outdoor cookery, foods and nutrition, home improvement, farm forestry, and record keeping.
• A new nursing home is taking shape in Valley Falls to house 22 patients. Completion is expected in about two months. Harold Stout of Lyndon is the owner. Stanley Marsh is the contractor.
• Prize winning 4-H food products will be sold at the Jefferson County 4-H fair building Aug. 16. Food products to be sold include cookies, cakes, yeast rolls, bread gingerbread, and pies.
Members on the food sale committee are Mrs. Melvin Brose, Mrs. Charles Frakes, Carol Noll, Louise Voelker, Barbara Loy, and Joyce Logsdon.
• 1960 advert:

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• Daryl Karriel tied for the championship trophy at the interscholastic tournament at Topeka, and his brother, Carl, won the triple A trophy.
They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Karriel.
• Donald Wendt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Wendt, is stationed at Lanckland air force base, Texas for basic training after which he will be trained in electronics career area for the new aerospace force.
He is a graduate of Valley Falls high school.
• The Valley Falls army reserve unit, now assigned to Holton, left Sunday for two weeks training at Fort Carson, Colo.
In the group were Jerry Pemberton, Winchester; Billy Dan Coons, Ray Griffith, Milard Winters, Geryn Wichman, Joe Glissman, John Shell, and Kenneth Ratz, Valley Falls.

50 years ago ...

July 31, 1975
• Rita Bolz has been chosen as the Art Student of the Month for August by the Valley Falls Valarian club. Rita's art project was a double-bed size quilt of her own design.
Miss Bolz, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bolz, will be a senior at Valley Falls high school this fall. It took her entire class time during her junior year to make the quilt.
• The 18th annual antique Steam Engine Show and Threshing Bee will get underway Friday, Aug 1 at McLouth.
Other activities will include Indian performances daily, a hot air balloon ascension, church services Sunday, pony wagon rides, a daily parade, airplane rides, antique auto display, engine teeter board, kiddie rides, lumber sawing daily, and a flea market.
• Valley Falls Car Wash is in the process of being built on the northeast corner of Linn and Highway 16 by Mike Elliott. The fill and concrete foundation has been poured. Elliott said the concrete slab measures 60 by 130 feet. Heller Construction will put up the building, consisting of two enclosed stalls and one exterior.
• Marine Sergeant Michael B. Cummins, son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Cummins, Ozawkie, has reenlisted for four years while serving with the 2D Force Service Regiment Force Troops, Camp Lejeune, N.C.
• Tina Shrimplin, Valley Falls, a medical technology major in the College of Arts and Sciences, has been selected to the honors program at Kansas State University, Manhattan.
While at Valley Falls high school, Miss Shrimplin was valedictorian of her class. She was a member of the County Honors Band, Pep club, National Honor Society, Y-Teens, and Future Homemakers of America. She received the KSU Dean's Award for Outstanding Math and Science Student.

35 years ago ...

August 2, 1990
• Karin Hosler, Valley Falls, and her son, Isaac, competed against one another in the obstacle course during Cub Scout Days last week at the fairgrounds. The obstacle course was set up to challenge the Cubs, including some mother-son contests. Karin was one of the leaders helping with the three-day event.
• Don Harris, Tuscumbia, Mo., installs steel siding to the First Christian Church, Valley Falls. He is assisted by his wife, Ruby, and daughter, Janice, 13. Sons Mark, 16, and Tony, 7, helped their father on their trips to Valley Falls to complete the work.
• The Jefferson West Pom-Pom Squad attended a summer camp July 13-16 at Kansas State University conducted by the National Cheerleaders Association. Members Cathy McDonald and Christine Welsh were nominated for the All-American Awards and Christine received one of the three awards presented the last day of camp. Both girls are eligible to attend the Aloha Bowl in Hawaii and the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Ireland.
The squad members are as follows: Natasha Walrafen, Jenny Conaway, Jennifer Brunton, Lori Sanschagrin, Shannon Silversmith, Melissa Rogers, Rachel Ricklefs, Christine Welsh, Amy Moore, Christina Arasmith, Melissa McDonald, Veronica Stallbaumer, Cathy McDonald, Kelly Howard, Vicki Adams, Jamie Eck, and Jennifer Cook.
• Miles Keaton, Meriden, is

home after a trip to Washington, D.C., and Karla Heinen, Valley Falls, has returned from Steamboat Springs, color. Their trips were sponsored by Leavenworth-Jefferson Electric Cooperative - Inc.
Keaton participated in the "Government in Action" youth tour in the nation's capital in June. Heinen attended the "Energy Seminar" last month.

20 years ago ...

August 4, 2005
• Billtown 4-H'er, Morgan Gantz, 8, received a purple on her art project during judging Monday at the Jefferson County 4-H Fair at Valley Falls. The fair continues today with livestock showmanship finals, the livestock sale, and the dance.
• The six-week summer reading program came to an end last week at the Delaware Township Library. Approximately 65 children participated in five separate groups ranging from small babies to sixth-graders.
Macee Jepson and Sammi Clark listen to Valley Falls elementary teacher William Schmelzle read a story. Macee is the daughter of Mark and Nina Jepson and Sammi is the daughter of Dakota and Jessica Clark. The last two weeks of the program was held in the newly expanded and remodeled section of the library.
• The Ozawkie Post 225 American Legion Baseball Team has advanced to the Class AA state tournament at Pratt Aug. 3-7 by winning the American Legion Class AA Zone 2 tournament in Hiawatha.
This is the first time Post 225 has gone to the state tournament since the team formed 15 years ago. The team is comprised of 10 players from Jefferson West and three from Valley Falls.
Ozawkie Post 225 American Legion team members are Garrett Bendure, Kurtis Tuck, Jared Brown, Brett Miller, Dan Bigham, Jordan Sloop, Brian Roberts, Brian Payne, Alex Schell, Brayden Black, Brock Anderson, Jeff Perry and Josh Baker.
• The Jefferson West Weststeppers attended the camp at Emporia State University.
The Weststeppers are Tori Shipley, Krysta Snyder, Stephanie Wilson, Whisper Livingston, Jessica Rudd, Jade Bright, Melissa Wiedwald, Sheena Snyder, Lauren Hypse, Kelsey Smith, Kelly Bergin, Whitney Czajkowski, Kallie Foresman, and Morgan Hildreth.
• Galen Hisey, Cummings, was featured in the Lifestyle section of the Atchison Daily Globe July 27. Hisey was a coach and teacher at Valley Falls during the 1970s.

The story tells about his hobby as a whittler and the large collection of baseball players he has carved over the years.
A lot of the figures are Kansas State University players because he's a Wildcat fan, but he has created a number of professional players and high school players as well.
Hisey has been a coach in the Effingham school system since 1980. He started coaching at Valley Falls in 1969.
• Nathan and Carrie Perry, Oskaloosa, announce the birth of their son, Coy Alan, July 24, 2005, at the Birth and Women's Center, Topeka.
He weighed 8 pounds, 4 1/2 ounces, and was 20 inches long.
Coy is welcomed home by his brother, Cord, 22 months.
Maternal grandparents are Keith and Martha Ostrander, Winchester, and paternal grandparents are Phil and Rhonda Perry, Oskaloosa.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Early Public Notice

The city of Valley Falls, KS has received a Community Development Block Grant from the Kansas Department of Commerce to make improvements to their sewer system. The project includes pipe rehabilitation, point repairs, pipe cleaning, manhole rehabilitation, and miscellaneous appurtenances related to construction activities. All project improvements will occur within the area generally bounded by city limits of Valley Falls, KS. Portions of these sewer improvements will be located in the 100-year floodplain. The city is interested in discussing alternatives to the project and securing public perceptions of possible adverse impacts that could result from the project and possible mitigation measures. Please send written comments to the City of Valley Falls, 417 Broadway Valley Falls, KS 66088. The city will accept comments until August 15th, 2025.

Jeanette Shipley, Mayor
City of Valley Falls, KS

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eling eastbound on Rogers Rd., near Wallace Rd., and struck a deer. The driver was wearing a seatbelt. The report shows that she was injured but no other information was provided. The vehicle was towed from the scene.
July 18, 6:00 a.m.: Jacob P. Boyette, 45, Ozawkie, was driving a 2024 Volkswagen Taos south on Ferguson Rd., near 82nd St., when a deer ran across the roadway from the ditch. The vehicle struck the deer. Neither the driver nor his passenger, Melissa A. Boyette, 41, Ozawkie had any injuries. They were both wearing their seatbelts. The vehicle was towed from the scene.
July 18, 9:04 p.m.: Jeff D. Flory, 50, Kansas City, was driving a 2023 GMC Sierra westbound on Rogers Rd., near Mooney Creek Rd., when two small deer ran into the roadway and struck the passenger side of the vehicle. Flory was wearing a seatbelt. He did not report any injuries.

Jail bookings—

July 19, 11:18 p.m.: Nelson Lamurvin, 46, driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs, endangering a child, and driving while suspended (second or subsequent conviction), \$1,000 bond.
July 20, 1:25 a.m.: Dennis Beishl, 43, driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
July 21, 2:59 a.m.: Rion Clark, 69, driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs and interference with law enforcement officer, \$1,500 bond.

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DSB account holders can continue to use their existing DSB Visa debit cards at these ATMs, no change to PIN. These new machines will feature:

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