



AREA NEWS

SHARON FOX

Sharon G. Fox, 88, of Topeka, KS. passed away on Saturday, August 8th, 2026 surrounded by the love of her family. She was born on January 10, 1938 in Ramona, KS, the daughter of Daniel and Ruth Klein. Sharon worked for the State of Kansas as an insurance investigator for over 20 years and was

retired for the last 25 years. Sharon was passionate about being a Christian, her church, and her family. Survivors include: her brother, two sisters, son, stepdaughter, 4 grandchildren, and 8 great-grandchildren. Funeral Services will be at 10:00AM on Monday, August 17th, 2026 at St. John's Lu-

theran Church, 901 SW Fillmore Street, Topeka, KS 66606. Burial will immediately follow at Mount Hope Cemetery, 4700 SW 17th Street, Topeka, KS 66604. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions to: St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 901 Fillmore, Topeka, KS 66609.

Ada News

Susie and Mike Miller traveled to Michigan for several days to visit their son, grandchildren, and some of their friends. They all enjoyed catching up. Brett and Rosie Prochaska were on vacation for a week. It was a long, enjoyable road trip. Rhonda Base traveled to Colorado and spent a few days with their son and grandson. They always have a great time together.

The Food Pantry took place at the Mission Church in Minneapolis. Several people were able to pick up boxes of groceries. Everyone appreciated the bit of rain we had over the last week or so. The forecasters are telling us that we can expect some very hot weather and no rain over the next few days. *If you would like to submit Ada News, please send it to adanews2022@gmail.com.*

Wells News

By Donna Adee
Donna Adee's former neighbor is the featured story this week. This neighbor lived next door to Donna for 5 years before moving into Minneapolis with her family. Her name is Hey Hey and she is a survivor. While she was living next door she was one of 12 Rhode Island hens peacefully living in their locked shed; one night an opossum dug into their shed and killed every hen except Hey Hey. She roosted up high. Then she moved into the porch of her owners and laid eggs every day. At her home in Minneapolis, she gets fed the best of food, but one of her favorites are the mice which she catches. There seems to be a mouse nest under her hutch so when the mice come into her pen, she promptly eats them one by one. Her owner said Hey Hey is better about catching mice than their two cats. Hey Hey is 9 years old and still very active and still lays an egg almost every day. August 26, 1920 was the year that women were allowed to vote. Ellis Adee's great grandmother, Jannet Glendinning Adee (Mrs. Richard Adee Sr) was determined to vote so with her granddaughter, Jesse Adee, she attended every women's suffrage meeting at the Opera House in Minneapolis. According to local people, the Opera House was just west of the laundromat on 2nd Street. Jesse Adee was the oldest daughter of Evangeline & Richard Adee, who lived at the Adee farmstead near the Bethany Free Methodist church 7 miles north of Wells. Normally she took the train from Wells to attend the meetings but her brother, Ben, had to deliver her to Wells. Jessie's mother, Evangeline died with consumption 6 months following the birth of their youngest son. On August 4, 1984 Jannet was hostess for the Women's Suffrage Society meeting at her home (which is on east 2nd street where Bob Allison lives now). The lumber for their house came from Wisconsin on the train to Abilene. She did get to vote for the mayor of Minneapolis in 1887. In her tiny journal she wrote that she had gone in 1887 to the Methodist church to see the electric lights that had been turned on for the first time. Wells lost another former resident with the death of Jeff Comfort. His family lived in Wells when he was younger so he attended school at Wells Union 2 with the Adee kids. His family owned the 2 story house by the elevator, which Ben and Marie Adee later purchased and remodeled in the 1970s. Since the Wells School closed in 1974, Jeff and the other 6th graders were able to finish with Mr. Pacey as teacher before attending junior high in Minneapolis. The memorial service will be at the Community Center September 12 so Jeff's family will be back in Wells Thursday evening while sitting on the deck about 8:15, Donna Adee saw the lunar eclipse of the moon as it happened in a few minutes. That was a surprise blessing because it seems like sun eclipses usually take much longer. **News from the Good Old Days: Minneapolis Messenger August 17, 1939 Courthouse News and Official**

Gossip
Sheriff Evert Hunt left last Wednesday for Los Angeles, California to take custody of Dolphin Parrish who must answer court charges in this country. Parrish was arrested by officers in Los Angeles. **Arrested in Oklahoma (front page)**
John Todd, charged with forgery and theft of Roy Carlson's pickup truck July 1, was arrested Monday night in Oklahoma just across the line from Anthony, Ks. Undersheriff Jones went to Anthony Tuesday and brought the accused man back to the Ottawa County jail. The truck seemed undamaged. The only exception was that all the tires were worn out. Carlson stated that the officers believed the young man had traveled considerably in the midwest since taking the truck. Todd was out on parole from reform school when he started working in harvest for Carlson. Saturday July 1, he had cashed a \$6 check on Charles Carlson, son of Roy at the filling station and then left town with the truck. **Sunnyside News**
Mrs. Paul Marte is suffering from a fall she received this morning (Tuesday) from a chair. We hope it will not prove serious. Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Geist were surprised about 5 o'clock Sunday

morning when Mr. & Mrs. Roy Hanes, Mr. & Mrs. Swede Hanes, Mr. & Mrs. Jim Constable, and Mr. & Mrs. Ward Comfort came to celebrate their 1st anniversary. After a picnic breakfast they drove to Salina to spend the day and took in the midget car races. Mr. & Mrs. Ted Cooper, Alta Jean and Darrell Lee called at the home of J. F. Koster Sunday. The Fred Harder family Sundayed with the Piersee family near Tescott. Mr. & Mrs. Roy Hanes and Moyne were dinner guest Sunday of the Viv Heald's. Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Siler and their daughter and family, Mr. & Mrs. Randolph Welsh and Patricia Ann all of Martinsburg, VA came Sunday for a short visit with his brother. J. C. Siler and family. They all were dinner guests Monday at the Chester Siler home and supper guests of Ernest Siler near Salina. Maurice and Marion Matson of Jamestown spent Tuesday with the Siler boys while their parents and Mr. & Mrs. Z. Matson spent the afternoon at the Fred Harder home. **Bible Verse: 1 John 5:11-12** And this is the testimony; that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God has not life.

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September 14, 2026
Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing: 6:10 p.m.
Budget Hearing: 6:20 p.m.
Board of Education Meeting: 6:30 p.m.
Location: 716 East 7th St., Minneapolis, KS, 67467

Exceeding Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing: 6:10 p.m.

Budget Hearing: 6:20 p.m.

Regular Board Meeting: 6:30 p.m.

- Roll Call
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Additions to and Adoption of the Agenda
- Consent Agenda
 - Approval of minutes of previous meeting
 - Report and action on bills submitted
 - Approval of the Treasurer's statement
 - LOB Resolution
 - Classified Staff Handbook
- Adoption of the 2026-2027 Budget
- Reports and comments of principals, Tabitha Morris – Parents as Teachers Update, visitors
- Superintendent Report
 - Idle Funds & Projections Monthly Update
 - Update: Southern Cloud Dissolution
 - Follow-Up: Health Insurance
 - MGS Playground Phase 2
- Old Business
 - Update: Mini School Bus
 - Update: DCS: MJSHS Refrigerator/Freezer
 - Follow-Up: Audit of 24-25
- New Business
 - C & C Group: Energy Savings Proposal
 - Consideration of Forming Education Foundation for USD 239
 - Consideration of MOU with USD 240 Twin Valley's Parents as Teachers
 - Executive Session to discuss non-elected personnel (if needed)
 - Employee Resignation(s)
 - Employee Confirmation(s)
 - Visitors' Comments
 - Upcoming Work Session: October 7, 2026, Wednesday: Open to the public—no formal action will take place, at 716 E. 7th St., Minneapolis, KS. Agenda: Book Study Discussion of Mike Schmoker's Focus & Review of KESA Plan
- Next Meeting: October 12, 2026, Board Meeting Agenda Items: Property Casualty Insurance Update, District Site Council Approval, Capital Outlay Planning
- Adjournment