

Records available through state

In preparing students for school enrollment, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment provides information related to birth certificates and immunizations.

Birth Certificates

The Bureau of Epidemiology and Public Health Informatics provides the option to get a birth certificate online at www.kdheks.gov/vital/birth.html. You can obtain your birth certificates in person from the Office of Vital Statistics from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at 1000 SW Jackson Street, Suite 120 in Topeka. There is a \$15 fee for each certified copy of a Kansas birth certificate.

General questions can be answered at (785) 296-1400, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. The telephone service is automated with a

directory to provide options for accessing recorded information for requesting certified copies, inquiring about the status of previously submitted requests or speaking with a staff member, if other assistance is needed.

Immunizations

The Bureau of Disease Control and Prevention provides up-to-date immunization information, which includes the latest 2012-2013 School and Child Care Immunization information at www.kdheks.gov/immunize/schoolInfo.htm. This site also provides immunization requirements, school entry requirements, the Medical Exemptions form and the Kansas Certificate of Immunization. For general questions or more information, contact Mike Parsons at (785) 296-3975 or email at mparsons@kdheks.gov.

Cost-share available for water supply

The Kansas State Conservation Commission recently approved a plan to work with Kansas livestock producers on a cost-share program targeted at improving existing livestock water supplies. The Kansas Department of Agriculture's Division of Conservation urges livestock producers to focus project applications on restoration of existing ponds, well development, spring development or other water storage projects.

The commission, which is a board of commissioners consisting of five elected and four appointed members, approved the use of \$500,000 of fiscal year 2012 cost-share funding that has been carried forward to provide immediate assistance to livestock producers in drought-

stricken Kansas. Producers will have 45 days to sign-up for the cost-share assistance initiative and will be eligible to receive up to \$2,000 per project and up to \$4,000 per landowner. Projects will be considered and approved on a first-come, first-served basis. The department's Division of Conservation will collect applications submitted by county conservation districts and then process and approve individual contracts.

Pastures that currently have limited or no existing water supplies are the primary targets for this initiative. Livestock producers with existing ponds who are requesting cost-share assistance must meet specific criteria to be eligible. Specifically, dams must be in satisfactory condition or

the landowner must commit to bring the dam to a satisfactory condition and the pond must still be capable of serving a conservation use for stock-water. Cost-share funding can be used for sediment removal; principal spillway replacement; or embankment seeding. The Division of Conservation and the county conservation districts will be flexible with livestock producers to help assure they meet the specific criteria.

Projects related to well development, spring development and new ponds will follow current policy requirements.

For county conservation district contact information, www.ksda.gov/emailmarketer/link.php

Department of Health and Environment issues pooled stream notice for algae

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment samples recreational bodies of water for cyanobacteria, commonly called blue-green algae, when the agency is alerted to a potential algae bloom.

When harmful algal blooms are present, the department in cooperation with the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism and other lake managers where appropriate, re-

sponds by informing the public of these conditions. Based upon sampling results and established health risk levels, the following Warnings and Advisories are in place.

When a lake is under an advisory or warning, marinas, lakeside businesses, and park camping facilities remain open for business, although swim beaches will be closed. Park drinking water and showers

are safe and not affected by the algae bloom. Also, it is safe to eat fish caught during a harmful blue-green algae outbreak, as long as consumers clean and rinse the fish with clean, potable water; consume only the fillet portion; and discard all other parts. People should also wash their hands with clean, potable water after handling fish taken from an affected lake.

Chisholm Creek North Lake,

LYLE NEWS

There will be an open house on Aug. 12, from 2-4 p.m. at the Lyle Community Building for Kathy Van Meter's 80th birthday. No Gifts.

Kim Nejdil visited Kathy on Saturday, and on Sunday, Kathy Van Meter and Lloyd Frandsen went to Ceresco, Neb. to celebrate Lloyd's cousin's 98th birthday.

Virgil Price has been moved to the Decatur County Hospital from Kearney, and has been feeling encouraged to be closer to home.

Few people made it to the Lyle dinner on Sunday, but I'm sure the ones who did had a good time. We always do.

Toots Magers attended the Magers reunion, where the diners filled six tables in the Norcat Educational building. She was surprised and puzzled on Saturday when she went into the Lyle Community building to find all of the curtains down, and a mess of insulating material around the sink. Judy Easton said it probably was an animal who got shut in and was trying to get out. Denny and I mentioned it could have been a bird,

and we will have to see if there is anything in the attic.

Friday, Aug. 10 is the day for Liberty Star Club's 'fair sit.' Here's hoping there will be enough of us to do it.

Dwight and Teresa Wood and Andre Lefebvre dropped by on Sunday and were pleased with the jelly I had made from Dwight's blackberries. Aubrey High stayed a while in the afternoon while her mother chauffeured Mariah and Garrett to Hill City. Tielia is feeling better, but not completely well yet.

August seemed to be the month for birthdays in this family. There were four on the first and second, and Toby's was on the seventh.

I said I didn't think anything was broken but the doctor called and said that there was a small fracture, to put on a splint and keep off of it---so I'm trying. Thank you to Tom Baker and Sheryl for their help and everyone who has visited, called and been so good to me.

JENNINGS NEWS

Several Jennings people were mentioned for prayers Sunday at the United Methodist Church. Glenda Johnson is home and doing as well as she can after her heart surgery. Martin La Rue is in the Oberlin hospital. Mary Votapka, who now resides at Cedar Living Center in Oberlin, fell and she is in the Oberlin Hospital. Rachel Carter is doing well and was our church greeter Sunday morning.

The Stramp family descendants reunion was held Sunday at the Sunflower Senior Center. Some came early enough to attend our church.

Wayne and Louise Cressler received the welcome news of the birth of Davis Charles, a new great-grandson, born July 30, 2012. He weighed eight pounds. Parents are Brad and Cinnamon Harold, Denver, Colo. He has one brother, Calhoun, 4 1/2 years old. Grandparents are Patsy and Don Harold, Grand Jct. Colo. Estella Harold, Norton is also his great-grandmother.

Jennings Fireman's 41st Funday is scheduled for Aug. 25. This year the theme is "Kansas-Too Hot To Handle." If anyone has newspaper articles or pictures of fires and/or excessive

temperature reports in Kansas of this year or past years, please share with Marge Hartzog. Craft Fair spaces are still available for \$25 each. Table is furnished. This is to be held inside. In the past we have had a community garage sale. Contact Terri Hanne at 785-678- 2333.

Remember to bring a bingo prize to the Seniors Potluck Supper at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 14. Everyone is welcome to join us in the Sunflower Senior Center. Would love to have your news to share each week in this space.

Additional land made available for emergency haying/cutting

Kansas Governor Sam Brownback has expressed his administration's appreciation for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's approval of haying on Conservation Reserve Program acres designated as "CP25," which have been ineligible for emergency haying in the past.

In addition to approving emergency grazing on CP25 acres, the department also declared additional Kansas counties as federal disaster areas. Atchison, Brown, Doniphan and Jackson counties were declared as primary disaster areas. Jefferson, Leavenworth, Nemaha, Pottawatomie and Shawnee were named contiguous disaster counties. Agricultural producers in these counties will be eligible for federal disaster assistance programs.

Farmers and ranchers are encouraged to contact their local Farm Service Agency office for immediate assistance.

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Wow! What a busy last three to four weeks it has been! Fairs, rodeos, fund raising events and not much rain has kept everyone a hoppin! We have attended and participated in four fair Premium auctions so far and the community support at those auction had been tremendous!! That goes to show how strong these small rural communities can be when they pull together! The market seems to be kinda like a roller coaster - stay involved- keep eaten beef, come grow with us here at the Hill City Livestock Market and enjoy the rest of the summer!! Regular Sales on Aug. 10, 17 and 24. No sale on Aug. 31.

We would like to thank all our buyers and sellers. If you have livestock to market, please call the Barn at 785-421-3441, leave message or Lance Kinderknecht, Owner/Operator, 785-432-0537; Dave Shearer, Field Representative, 785-664-8017; Dan Bliss, Field Representative, 785-743-8364; Dan Field, Field Representative, 785-877-6157



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