



# New superintendent says schools will open on time, safely



Eric Stoddard

By Rosalie Ross

"Covid is presenting some challenges, but we are working toward our goal, which is to safely open our schools on time," Eric Stoddard, new USD 105 superintendent, said.

Stoddard comes to Rawlins County from Kanopolis where he was the middle school principal. Prior to that he was a principal in Kiowa and a teacher at Valley Heights before that.

Stoddard holds a bachelor of science degree from K-State in elementary education and received his master's degree with administrator certification from Emporia State.

"I spent my childhood in Salina, then we moved and I graduated from Wakefield High School," he said. "My parents, who are retired, still live there."

The first-time superintendent said he helped with the DARE program while he was in high school.

"That triggered my love of kids and I knew I wanted to be a teacher," he said.

His wife, Ashley, is from McCook and happy to be living closer to family. She works remotely for a hospital in Oklahoma.

"We like to golf and travel," Stoddard said. "I'm a big K-State football fan. I like to explore new places and I want to learn more about Western Kansas and its early history."

The Stoddards plan to become active in the community and are looking for a new church home.

"My school door is always open, he said. "I'm a good listener. I'm willing to address people's concerns and consider their suggestions."

# Council hears complaints on nuisance code

By Rosalie Ross

Atwood City Council members heard complaints from several irate citizens about nuisance code enforcement during their July 19 meeting.

Some people felt they had been unfairly and repeatedly targeted.

"I follow the city code," Jan Ackerman, enforcement officer said in rebuttal later in the meeting. "My report shows site address, then date and case. It is not by person, the owner is irrelevant. It is the property that is judged. I send out a courtesy letter and then a door hanger. I have worked hard to make Atwood look good and I appreciate the council's support."

John Mapes appeared before the council with his report on the 2019 audit, giving it a clean and unqualified opinion, which was the best possible audit report.

Council voted to accept the audit and moved to have it filed.

Mapes reviewed the budget for the upcoming year. After discussion, the council voted to hold the current lid on taxes and approved the same 50.243 rate for 2020. The budget will be published and a hearing announced.

They also voted to extend John Mapes contract for another five years.

Former city clerk, Keri Riener, came to the council referring to a letter from her attorney, which had been sent to each member. She outlined some of her complaints, including reimbursement for 450 hours of earned sick leave.

"I am not asking for anything unreasonable," Riener said. "I am just asking for fair and equitable treatment."

Tom Trail, manager at Jamboree Foods, came with a request for relief from several months of water bills above \$800. The leak was located outside the building and repaired. Trail noted that the water bill had been paid, but he requested some financial reimbursement.

The council voted to review the 12 past months of the store's paid bills and use that average for reimbursement basis.

Charles Peckham, spokesperson for the Jayhawk Theatre board, said they were unable to show first run movies because their 2012 system was outdated. The cost for necessary software update will be about \$17,500.

Councilwoman Sandy Mulligan said she had secured \$15,000 from Economic Development. The council voted to invest \$2,500 from the Travel and Tourism account.

Following an executive session, the council voted unanimously to pay Keri Riener 30 days of sick leave at 33.3 percent of her hourly rate of \$30.08.

Riener elected to share her remaining sick days among four city employees.

The meeting was conducted by Mayor Janet Stice. Council members in attendance were Gary Fisher, Sandy Mulligan, Mark Mosley, Mark Vrba and Dietrich Kastens.

The next meeting will be at 7 p.m., Aug. 20 at City Hall.

# Introducing the new county commissioner candidates

## Lincoln Pochop



By Rosalie Ross

Lincoln Pochop, a Rawlins County farmer/rancher has filed in the Aug. 4 primary as a candidate for county commissioner District 3.

A Cheylin High School graduate with the class of 2008, Pochop has served on the county extension board, the Cheylin Recreation Commission and the Farm Bureau board.

"I plan to spend the rest of my life here," Pochop said. "So I feel ought to step up because I see a need to make some changes at the county level."

He and his wife, Brenda, have three children Landon, 10; Breckyn, 3 and Leo 1. They live in Western Rawlins County and

also have a new retail business, Circle 7 Meats.

"I would like to support business owners and see growth with young families coming to the county."

"I believe we need better communication between county entities."

Pochop said he is planning a facebook video that will include a question and answer segment.

"I would like to put a plan in place for all taxpayers to communicate, he said. "I think my strength as a commissioner will be that I will be open to listening because I believe everyone needs an opportunity to be heard."

For comments from the incumbents, see Page 4

## Mark Mosley



By Rosalie Ross

Mark Mosley, who has lived in Atwood for 10 years, is ready to take on new challenges. He has filed for county commissioner in District 2.

Mosley and his wife, Amy, moved here from Greeley, Colo., with three children, Michael, Libby and Mariah. He also has two older children who are pursuing their careers.

He grew up in Lewisville, Texas and has been on the road most of the time since graduating from high school. Until recently when he began driving for Mizer Milling, Mosley was a self-employed trucker.

"I have always been interested in government," he said. "Currently, I am serving my second term on the Atwood City Council and the Atwood/Rawlins Airport board."

He was asked about his view of important issues commissioners need to address.

"Of course, we need to continue to be prepared for the pandemic if or when it reaches us," Mosley said. "I think we need to keep on top of road and bridge maintenance. I hear a lot from people about that."

"I believe in careful stewardship of taxpayers' money. It should be put to good use. When disagreements arise, I think we should find a common ground through consensus and move forward."

"I am passionate about public service and I want to give back to the community that has been so welcoming to us."

## News at a Glance

Used Book Sale

The Atwood Public Library will hold its semi-annual used book sale the week of Aug. 3-8 during normal library hours, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday to Friday and 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday.

Commodities Distribution

Commodities will be given out Tuesday, July 28, from 9:15 to 11 a.m. at the Atwood Senior Center, 205 S. 5th St. Please go to the last door on the south side to pick them up.

# Bird City Thresher Show is coming up next week

By Ann Burr

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In one short week the Tri-State Antique Engine and Thresher Show will be up and running. The volunteers have been putting in time for months to prepare for the show. Tractors will be lined up to view, fresh paint has dried and the scent lingers. Grass has been cut, buildings are being swept out, dust is being wiped away from displays.

This year as noted from a previous article, things are running a little different. It is asked that visitors please maintain social distancing and not crowd into people to see. The noon meal will be ran differently, so that tight lines are not being bunched into kitchen, other plans were made to sell the meals. Bathrooms will be diligently cleaned, and hand sanitizers will be placed

throughout the grounds. The Eaton Colo., Boy Scouts came to the grounds and for a community project and painted the bleachers, giving them a fresh new look.

It is still planned to run things as normal as possible. There will still be a BBQ, Tractor Pull, threshing, parades, swap meet, displays. This year a limited seating banquet will be held on Saturday evening, with a speaker and entertainment.

In the Eggers 8 building there will not be a daily drawing for door prizes, but instead a game of "I Spy" where children can win a small prize for finding the hidden item in the exhibits. On Saturday morning at 10:30 a.m. Sheriff Cody Beeson who dabbles in local history, will be

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# WPAA sets tentative concert schedule for the fall

Last winter Western Plains Arts Association celebrated the 50th Anniversary Season with a special anniversary concert. Shortly afterward, restrictions based on COVID-19 concerns ended the season a couple months early. Taking into account both the need for live performances and any remaining social distancing guidelines in place within each member community, WPAA hosts asks that attendees set together within households with at least six feet distance from others. Anyone feeling ill, especially if running a temperature, should remain home.

There is some more good news as WPAA

is announcing a tentative schedule for the 51st Season, Sept. 2020 to May 2021. Those performers who were canceled are back on the calendar for the new season, along with a host of new and returning performers. About 20 public or school performances are planned again this season. With family tickets at \$110, adult tickets at \$50, and student tickets at just \$15 for the entire season, WPAA Season tickets are still an economical means of enjoying quality performing arts throughout association member communities from St. Francis to Quinter and from Sharon Springs to Oberlin..

Board members are presently visiting area businesses for various levels of season sponsorships. Sponsorships begin at just \$200 annually with some benefactors contributing in excess of \$1500. Sponsorship sales end no later than July 30.

The tentative programs are:

Sunday, Sept. 13, The Diamonds, 50s Rock legends, Oakley.

Sunday, Sept. 27, Lezlee & Paul, Atwood.

Sunday, Oct. 11, Marimbas Sol de Chapas, Hoxie.

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Tuesday Markets

Courtesy of McDougal, Sager Snodgrass Grain

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Our View

# TikTok trolls or not, was the empty rally a dirty trick?

Have it whatever way you want, we guess.

In late June, fans of “K-pop” music on the website TikTok were taking credit for empty seats at President Trump’s Tulsa rally, thanks to a campaign by a 51-year-old woman, Mary Jo Laupp, who calls herself the “#TikTok Grandma,” and proudly took credit for the idea.

Whoever was responsible, the effort supposedly drew 706,000 “likes” on the website, but the president’s campaign manager said that’s all a bunch of bull. Besides, if that many people had actually taken the time to reserve tickets, the rally site might well have melted down.

“Registering for a rally means you’ve RSVP’d with a cell-phone number, and we constantly weed out bogus numbers, as we did with tens of thousands at the Tulsa Rally, said Campaign Manager Brad Parscale. “What makes this lame attempt at hacking our events even more foolish is the fact that every rally is general admission—entry is on a first-come, first served basis, and prior registration is not required.”

That didn’t stop Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez of New York from praising the effort, telling Parscale, “You just got rocked by teens on TikTok. Shout out to Zoomers; y’all make me so proud.”

The story, reported by USA Today, played across the top of Page 1 in at least one of the Gannett-owned daily papers in Kansas – they all pretty much say the same thing these days – with a photo that showed empty seats toward the top of the upper deck at the Tulsa arena.

The next day, the same paper carried an Associated Press story on the Trump campaign headlined, “Trump rally highlights weaknesses heading into election,” criticizing the president’s campaign for ignoring groups that don’t support him and for failing to mention George Floyd.

“The lower-than-expected turnout at the comeback rally, in particular, left Trump fuming,” it claimed.

Who’s right? Did the largely teenage users of TikTok sabotage Trump’s attendance, as they so proudly claim?

Were they deflected by the campaign’s actual attendance policy, which it claims means that “reserved tickets” have no meaning?

Was Trump’s attitude to blame for the empty seats?

Or is the campaign missing a great chance to blame its problems on hackers and AOC?

Your guess is as good as ours.

The positive coverage given the supposed hackers is troubling, though. Had this occurred 55 years ago, the press would be screaming about “dirty tricks,” but that might not apply today to anything done against Trump.

The media in general, from the Associated Press to television news networks (except for Fox, of course) seems to have declared open season on the president. Maybe he deserves it, but much of the coverage lately has been quite biased.

We’re not Trump fans, particularly, but the treatment he’s getting here looks like a threat to electoral democracy. Will anyone call it that? – Steve Haynes

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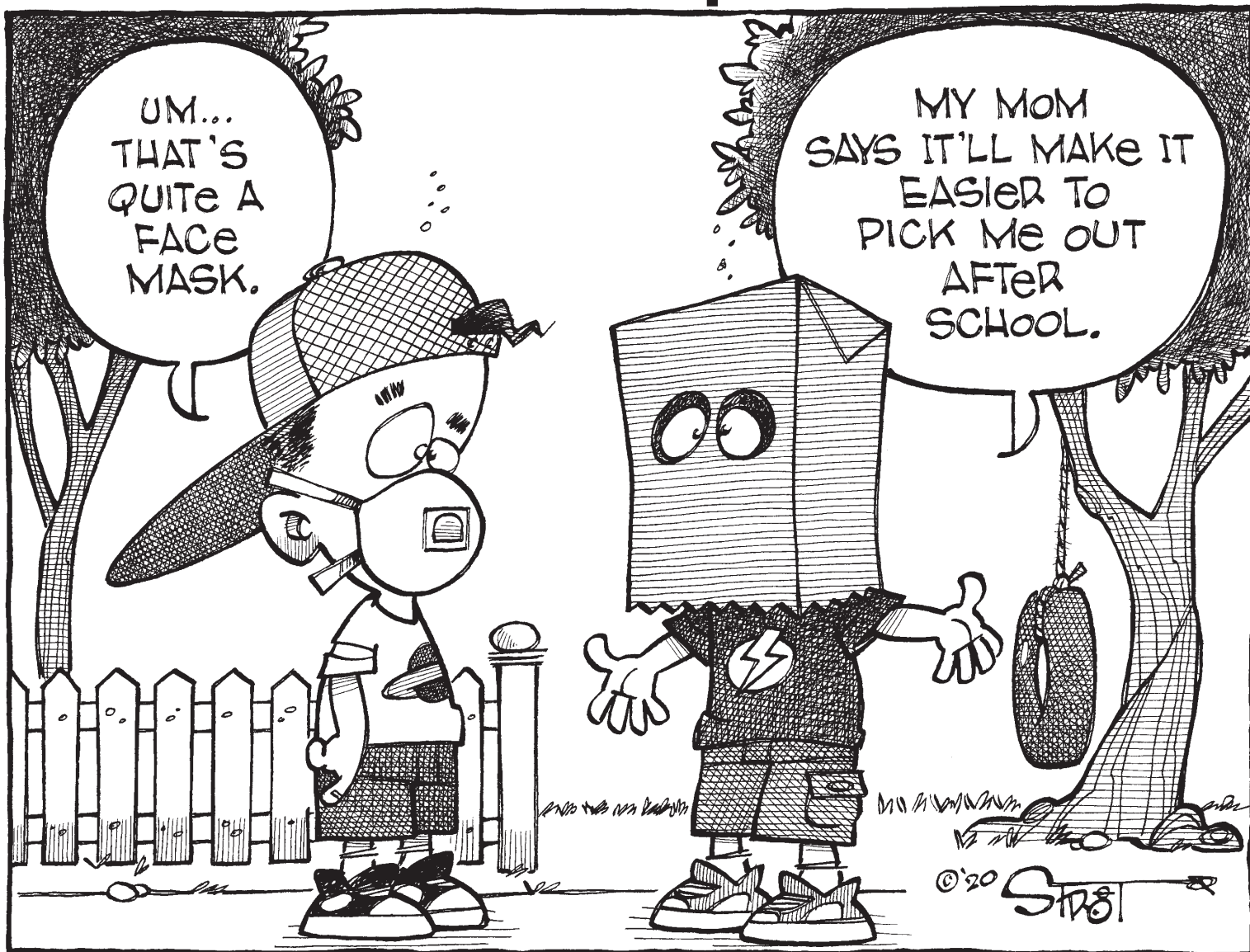
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## Rising China is here to stay

Lee Hamilton  
Commentary



This is an election year, so we can expect a fresh round of China-bashing. American politicians love to use China as a punching bag; it never stops, really, but the trend accelerates when candidates are running for office.

Some punches deserve to be thrown: China does a lot of things we don’t like. It challenges American interests, not just in Asia but across the world. It engages in cyberattacks and steals intellectual property. It has raised tensions over disputed territories in the South China Sea.

The U.S. is the dominant naval power in the Pacific region, but China is a regional power, seeking to project authority in its neighborhood. We have accommodated China’s rise diplomatically and invited the Chinese to play a larger role in the international economic order. But we oppose China’s territorial ambitions, counter its efforts to control shipping lanes and push back against its Belt and Road initiative for global infrastructure development.

Bashing China plays well in the U.S. We have a long history of mutual hostility, dating from the Korean War and continuing through the Cold War and proxy conflicts. Many Americans consider China our chief adversary.

Polls show that two-thirds of Americans hold negative views

toward China, and the number has been rising. Republicans and right-leaning independents are especially likely to have negative views of China, but so do a majority of Democrats.

China is unpopular in much of the world. In Western Europe, majorities have an unfavorable view of China. It gets low marks from its neighbors, especially Japan but also South Korea and Australia. However, majorities or pluralities in Latin America, much of the Middle East and sub-Saharan Africa view China more favorably.

China’s rise has been impressive. It has built world-class cities, lifted hundreds of millions of people out of poverty and made significant investments in transportation and communications. It may surpass the United States soon as the world’s largest economy. It is America’s largest trading partner, with the two countries exchanging over \$650 billion in goods.

China has the largest army in the world and has been adding

military technology, including aircraft carriers, new-generation jet fighters and nuclear submarines. But despite its investment, China has struggled to keep up. The U.S. and its alliance partners account for 63% of global spending on military technology and training. China’s forces are the largest but not the strongest.

Nevertheless, you cannot help but notice China’s growing sense of confidence, capability and national pride. It is riding high on its management of the COVID-19 pandemic, flexing its muscles toward its neighbors, and asserting authority over historically autonomous Hong Kong. After the U.S. sanctioned Chinese officials over human rights violations, China retaliated with sanctions against American officials, including two senators.

President Donald Trump and his administration send mixed signals about China, alternating extreme criticism with fawning admiration, as in Trump’s statement, reported by former

National Security Adviser John Bolton, that Xi Jinping is the “greatest Chinese leader in 3000 years.”

The United States needs a clear and consistent policy toward China. Currently, the relationship seems to be moving in the wrong direction, headed toward confrontation. To help guide such a policy, we will need a lot of China experts. The State Department and other U.S. agencies will need to develop a steady supply of experts on all matters related to China so we can respond effectively to future developments.

China’s rise is a central reality of our world, something Americans will have to live with for years. We can expect to be in strategic competition with China for a long time, and we need to be ready.

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## Keeping perspective in politics

Kansas Farm Bureau

Insight



My 35th birthday is this week. Though some women beyond their 20s don’t like to share their age, I have no problem admitting it.

This birthday feels like the last of my “young person” milestones. I will legally be old enough to run for president of the United States of America.

The moment doesn’t have the same anticipation of independence that came with acquiring the ability to work, drive, vote or drink. It is an aged and mellow satisfaction, born of the knowledge that I have reached the point where the Founding Fathers believed an individual had enough life experience to be able to lead the country.

Like many children, I dreamed about what it would be like to hold the highest office in the land, but as an adult, the idea actually seems pretty undesirable.

The world of politics has become so divisive and cruel. It often feels like watching children in a schoolyard. There is name-calling, he-said she-said arguments, pouting when you don’t get your way, overreactions to perfectly normal disagreement, no filter of what is polite or helpful, and a strange occurrence where someone who isn’t like you becomes a monster.

During a campaign season, it seems to become even worse. Between vilifying TV commercials, stacks of hateful postcards and a barrage of social media ads about the alleged evils of candidates, you have to have strong armor to weather it all. And don’t think this is just at the federal level, I see it in local races too.

The craziest part of this is we do have people who answer the call to serve. In fact, I think most politicians are good people who feel compelled to serve and are trying to do what they think is

best. These people endure harsh criticism and try their best to represent the interests of all their constituents, even the ones that just called them evil.

So, as the horrific election season rolls on, I want to say thank you to the individuals at all levels who have raised their hands and are vying to serve as elected officials. I appreciate your willingness to serve despite all the negatives, like experiencing criticism no matter how good you are at the job. My attitude of gratitude is a product of a deeply

held belief that you are a person who wants to make the world better.

In addition to my heartfelt thanks, I offer a commitment to my fellow Americans who put themselves out there to serve: I will always do my best to be polite and treat you with respect, even if I disagree with you. I will listen openly to the information you share and be willing to provide my opinion and experiences with you in a civil manner. When you make a decision I don’t agree with, now or after being elected, I will do my best to temper my disappointment and seek to understand how you arrived at your conclusion. Most importantly, I will continue to look for the best in you not the worst.

By Jackie Mundt, Pratt County farmer and rancher

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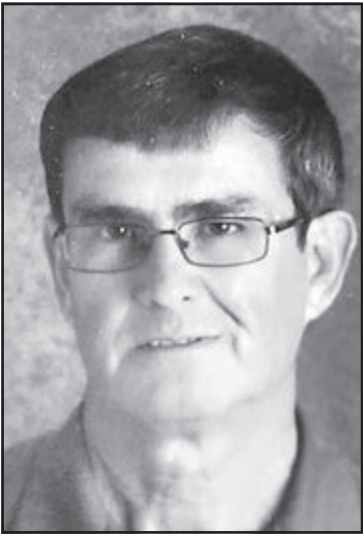
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# Longtime Cheylin staff member retires



Randy Miller

By Ann Burr

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Randy Miller followed in his parent's footsteps for a 25-year career as Cheylin's head of maintenance. Randy took to the position in 1995 when both his parents retired from the schools.

Randy was much more than a groundskeeper, even though his pride in the greens showed. He did it all; he ran the bus fleet, fixed electrical, plumbing, also drove the buses to and from games for junior and high school.

While employed with Cheylin, he saw changes; he saw the closing of the school building in McDonald, and all students would be in Bird City and worked with seven different superintendents in this period.

Before taking this position at Cheylin, he worked for the Fisher Cattle Company from 1987

to 1995. Before that, Randy ran his own business Miller Auto Repair. When taking this position, he would be able to see his son Justin more, and during the summers, Justin would work alongside Randy, learning of perfection to a job well done.

Randy is fond of all the memories of Cheylin. The students saying hello in the halls and driving them to events. Randy plans to farm over the summer and then see what falls into his path; he knows he will take up some employment to not get into trouble sitting idle.

Randy wants to say thank you to all of Cheylin for the past 25 years, and it has been memorable and will be rather lonely without the excitement. Randy's wife Sue also says a word of thanks for all the stories of Randy told over the years. There are probably many of them not revealed yet.

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## County fire department receives grant

The Kansas Pipeline Association (KPA) is an alliance of over 45 pipeline companies that have collaborated in an effort to emphasize damage prevention and promote pipeline safety throughout the state of Kansas.

Each year, the Kansas Pipeline Association holds over 30 meetings across Kansas. These meetings are free to Emergency Responders and they equip these agencies with the knowledge and understanding of how to safely respond and deal with a pipeline emergency, in the unlikely event that one does occur. The agencies who attend these meetings or complete the on-line training are then entered into a drawing. Every year a total of 14 agencies are then presented with a check in the amount of \$1,000 each, to use in any way to benefit their department or the communities they serve.

In addition, the need for emergency response equipment and the gap in sources of funding continues to grow each year. As part of the KPA's ongoing efforts to promote damage prevention & pipeline safety,



The Rawlins County Fire and Rescue department received a grant from the Kansas Pipeline Association. Pictures are Billy McCain (from left), AJ Forbes, Steve Chessmore, Richard Ubben Tallgrass Energy (Representing the KPA), Allen Castens, Kimberly Krebs, Fritz Krebs

they have established a "Grant Program" as a direct result of this need and their desire to support the emergency response community in Kansas.

Kimberly Krebs, Rawlins County Fire Department re-

ceived a grant in the amount of \$1,635 from the KPA to help acquire emergency response equipment for the department. Also, the Rawlins County Fire Department was the winner of the \$1,000 attendance drawing.

The Kansas Pipeline Association is committed to doing its part to help keep Kansans safe.

For more information about the KPA, call 1-866-577-1162 or visit at www.kpa-awareness.com.

## Nurse practitioner joins Rawlins Clinic

Mary Wilkinson, nurse practitioner, will begin her practice at the Rawlins Clinic - Atwood towards the end of August 2020.

Wilkinson, a graduate of Atwood High School, brings experience in a wide range of chronic and acute care diseases across all ages, genders, and cultures. She also brings a working knowledge of chiropractic care and healthy weight management.

"I am very excited to return to Rawlins County to provide the highest level of medical care while also raising my daughter in a loving community that I cherish," she said.

"We are delighted to have Mary join our clinic medical providers," said Dr. Ron Robinson, chief executive officer at Rawlins County Health Center. "Mary brings a familiar name and face to the community and a commitment to improving the health and quality of life to our community members."

Wilkinson will have a traditional clinic schedule, seeing patients four days a week with one administrative day. At the same time, Jason Kearns, PA-C,



Mary Wilkinson

Charity Wright, PA-C, and Jose Renteria, ACNP, will work on a rotating block schedule of four days on and eight days off while they also cover the emergency room. Dr. Travis Daise will also join the medical staff in August as the Chief of Staff.

To schedule an appointment with Mary or any other provider, call Rawlins Clinic - Atwood at 785-626-3241.

## Cattle U transitions to a virtual event

The High Plains Journal has decided to transition its scheduled Cattle U & Trade Show to an online virtual learning opportunity. Cattle U will be rescheduled to Sept. 8-11.

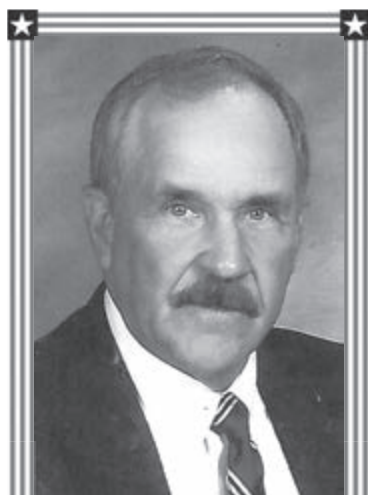
Associate Publisher Zac Stuckey said the primary concern for the publication in planning its educational events has always been the health and safety of guests, exhibitors and partners. In consideration of the challenges an in-person event would present in this current pandemic environment, the de-

cision to transition to go virtual.

"We value live events, and the opportunities they provide our agricultural community to network and learn," Stuckey said. "However, we couldn't in good conscience go forward with an in-person event at this time. We have to consider not only those who attend, but their communities and families they go home to and what effect our event would have on them as well."

The new Virtual Cattle U will feature the same speakers who have already been scheduled.

They will give their presentations over a series of live webinars on Sept. 8-11. They will be posted on www.cattleu.net.



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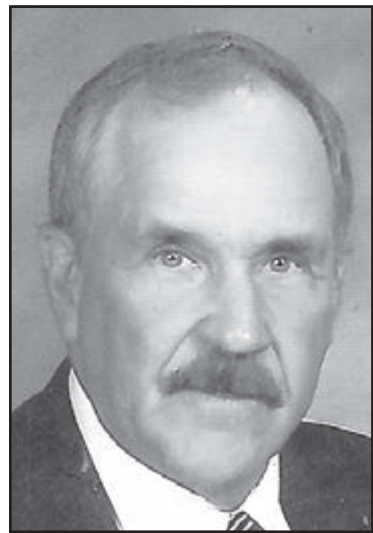
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## WE WILL BE CLOSED

The Rawlins County Clerk/Election Office will close at 12 p.m. (Noon) on Monday, August 3rd, 2020, to prepare for election Day on Tuesday, August 4, 2020.

# Comments from Incumbent Commissioners

## Craig Cox



"I am serving my 12th year as county commissioner from District 3 and I hope to be re-elected.

Budget is always our number one concern. The spending cap is dictated by the state.

I believe we should be making sure the county is manned by capable personnel.

We should improve our county roads wherever possible."

## Wilbur Henry



I am board chairman this year and have a very good working relationship with the other two commissioners.

The county has provided a very high functioning recycling center; this will continue as we prolong the lifespan of the county landfill. We have several business owners wanting to retire and keeping taxes reasonable, we will encourage and support young people to take those businesses over. These actions keep our county growing and thriving.

Some of the issues we face are mandated by the state legislature which we have no control over such as the tax lid. I work closely with our State Representative and Senator on county issues.

I have no other job obligations, creating space for dedicated time working on county issues and serving District 2 and Rawlins County."

"During my years as District 2 Commissioner, my first priority has been to conservatively act in the best interests of the taxpayers while moving the county forward. Everyone knows the current major issue is the COVID-19 pandemic. We have already made several decisions to protect the people of Rawlins County. It will continue to be an issue we face and some difficult decisions will need to be made.

## WPAA

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Oct. 12-14 Wichita Children's Theatre "Alice in Wonderland" in area schools: Oakley, Goodland, Colby, Winona, Sharon Springs, St. Francis and Quinter.

Sunday, Oct. 25, The Denver Brass and baritone Steven Taylor, Colby.

Sunday, Nov. 1. Letters from Home, dancing, singing and comedy, Colby.

Sunday, Nov. 15, Bar D Wranglers, western swing and cowboy music, Colby.

Sunday, Dec. 13, America's Sweethearts, '40s era holiday show, Oakley.

Sunday, Jan. 24, Michael Fitzsimmons Drums of the World, Quinter. Included two school programs the next day.

Sunday, Feb. 14, Nashville Legacy, Oakley.

Sunday, Feb. 21, The New Odyssey Guy, master of 10 instruments, Sharon Springs.

Sunday, March 14, Ball in the

House, a cappella, Colby.

Tuesday, April 6, The Duttons, Branson family show, Oakley, 7:30 p.m. Central.

Sunday, April 18, Bettman & Halpin, folk and bluegrass, Goodland.

Sunday, April 25, Back to the '70s Tributes:, music of Neil Diamond, St. Francis, St. Francis. Monday, April 26, school program.

Sunday, May 2, Pride of the Prairie Orchestra, Colby.

Sunday May 9, Church Basement Ladies "You Smell Barn", Oakley.

All Sunday performances begin at 3 p.m. Central even if hosted in the Mountain time zone 3 p.m. Central (2 p.m. Mountain). School hosted performance times vary and are intended for enjoyment of students.

Season tickets may be purchased at any performance.

Visit the association website at wppa.us.

## McDonald News

By Sandy Binning

Lisa Johnson was a Friday morning visitor of her mother, Phyllis Wilkinson.

Logan Coulson of Larned visited Lois Morelock Saturday.

Bruce and Shirley Swihart were

Saturday evening guests of Eleanor Swihart.

Becky Antholz and Jack, Henry, and Johnny Antholz of Manhattan were visitors Friday afternoon of Janice Antholz.

## Midway

By Mary Lou Olson

Jimmy and Britta Spitzer and Sable of Wiley, Colo; Michael Noren and Lori Seaman of Salina; and Doyle Seaman of Abilene visited over the weekend with Steve and Connie Noren and David Noren. On Saturday, they celebrated the birthdays of Lori and David. They held a graduation party on Sunday to honor Britta, who has graduated online Magna Cum Laude with a business degree in financial planning from Grantham University in Overland Park.

Sympathy is extended to Steve and Arian Arnold following the death of Dave Hampton, 82, of Lakewood, Colo. His wife, Vicky, is a niece of Mr. Arnold.

Word was received from Larry

Duell of Colorado of the death of his wife recently. He is the son of the late Wayne and Arvilla Duell, former residents of this community.

Mary Gutchewsky attended the 4-H Style Revue held at the Christian Church in McCook on Saturday evening to see her granddaughter, Lily Uerling, model with the Pre-4-H group.

Blaine Ginther of Atwood visited his parents, J.R. and Carol Ginther on Saturday morning.

Mark and Barbara Olson of Hoxie attended services on Sunday at the Herndon Covenant Church with Mary Lou Olson, then they took her out for dinner. Thursday visitors of Mrs. Olson were Tiffany Witt, Trevor and Tessa of Oberlin.

## Thresher

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giving a talk on all things from the Ice Age to a found human bone and a soldiers shoe.

The Thresher Show, Steam Show, how ever you refer to it, is a long standing tradition for Bird City. From its small beginnings on a farm north of town, to where it sits today on a sprawling site with trees, seating, and show buildings filled with cars, antique pedal cars, tractors,

and home goods. A barn stands proudly with tractors lined near. Soon the Steamers will be pulled out and placed on Engine Row and fired up. New buildings are being erected to house new displays. The show is about the community and visitors to come together and show their love for the past.

So come out to the show next week on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, July 30, 31 and August 1.

## Reminder: junior high football camp Aug. 10-13

Coach Steve Woody is announcing that there will be an Atwood Junior High football camp held Monday through Thursday, Aug. 10-13, at the high school football field. It will run from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Each night.

"This camp is for all junior high aged athletes interested in or going

out for football this fall," he said. "The camp will focus on introducing athletes to junior high football and all that it will entail. Shorts, shirts and shoes are all that will be needed."

For more information, contact Coach Woody at (785) 626-3309 or Chris Niermeier at (785) 626-0047.

## South of McDonald

By Sandy Binning

Tom and Kelly Dewey and children enjoyed the Adam Capps Band concert at Lake Atwood Saturday evening.

Kathy Banister attended the graduation reception for Sarah Myers in Goodland Sunday afternoon.

Merinda Binning and Trinity are visiting Jerry and Sandy Binning for several days.

Roland Query returned home to Firestone, Colo. Tuesday after spending harvest helping Joe and

Charlene Kramer.

Charlene Kramer visited Diane Shay and family in St. Francis Friday.

Teagan Carrow, granddaughter of Tom and Dee Carrow is spending two weeks with them.

Rita Officer went to Mark and Marilee Gundlach's home Friday evening to help their daughter Gracie celebrate her birthday.

Rita Officer attended Scrappy Gals in Atwood Monday.

## Student News

Reece Leonard of McDonald graduated Cum Laude from Kansas State University following the spring semester. Leonard earned at Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture. He has taken a job as a loan officer at The Bank in Atwood.

Nearly 630 students earned graduation honors for outstanding academic performance. Of those, 212 students graduated summa cum laude with a grade point average of 3.95 or above,

199 students graduated magna cum laude with a grade point average of 3.85 to 3.949, and 218 students graduated cum laude with a GPA of 3.75 to 3.849.

Leonard and two other Rawlins County students, Abigail Horton and Sawyer Skolout, also earned spring semester honors. Honor students must have a grade point average of 3.75 or above on at least 12 graded credit hours.



Phyllis and Marvin Zishka

## Couple celebrates 50 years together

Marvin and Phyllis Hajek Zishka will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary Aug. 1. They were married Aug. 1, 1970, at St. John's Church. Their family is having

a card shower for them. The couple would love to hear from friends. Greetings will reach them at 15674 Cedar Lane, Basehor, KS 66607.

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### Notice

**ATWOOD A A MEETINGS,** 8 p.m., Tuesdays at PDC meeting room. Third Tuesday - open meet- ing. Call Tom: 626-3625 or Nancy: 626-3807. 13 (tfc)

### Garage Sale

Three Family garage sale at Triple R Insurance Bldg. 119 S. 4th St. Atwood. Friday, July 31, 9 a.m. To 5 p.m. And Saturday, Aug. 1 9 a.m. To 3 p.m. (7-23)

### For Sale

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#### Opportunity

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### Thank You

The family of Tom and Kathy Carroll along with the family of Matt and Jessica Perdue would like to express their deep appreciation for Dr. Kopriva for her quick thinking with our new born baby. (7-23)

Thank you to Rural Fire 2 for responding to our farm fire. Also heartfelt thanks to Doug and Jan Klein, Tony and Ila Timson, Mike Leitner, Justine Hadley, Danielle Plus and to Nutrien Ag Solutions for bringing water. Weiner Horinek and family. (7-23)

## Public Notices

Published in the Rawlins County Square Deal on Thursday, July 23, 2020.

#### IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF RAWLINS COUNTY KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of Richard Benton Hayes, Deceased  
2020-PR-19

Notice of Hearing and Notice to Creditors

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on June 24, 2020, a Petition for Probate of Will and Issuance of Letters Testam

entary was filed in this Court by Janice Hayes a heir, in a court case titled, "In the Matter of the Estate of Richard Benton Hayes". The petition requested that he be granted Letters of Administration.

You are required to file your written defenses to the petition on or before August 21, 2020 at 10:00AM in the District Court of Rawlins 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.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within the latter of four months from

the date of first publication of notice under K.S.A. 59-2236 and amendments thereto, or if the identify of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

JANICE HAYES, PETITIONER  
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ATTORNEYS FOR PETITIONER

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#### IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF RAWLINS COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of

Francis Neuhart, also known as Francis Henry Neuhart, Deceased

Case No. 2020 PR 000020

#### NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition for Determination of Descent has been filed in this Court by Heather Withington, as an interested person in the Estate of Francis Neuhart, also known as Francis Henry Neuhart, deceased, praying that descent be determined of all personal property and all Kansas real estate owned by Francis Neuhart, also known as Francis Henry Neuhart, at the time of his death, and that such property be assigned in accordance with the laws of intestate succession.

You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before August 7, 2020, at 10:00

A.M. in the District Court of Rawlins, Kansas, 607 Main Street, Atwood, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Heather Withington  
Petitioner

Todd Davidson, #18956  
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#### NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of **Atwood Summer Recreation Commission** will meet on August 3, 2020 at 7:00 PM at Atwood Public Library for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of funds. Detailed budget information is available at USD #105 District Office and will be available at this meeting.

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#### BUDGET SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

The proposed budget year expenditure amount is the maximum expenditure limit for the proposed budget year.

Fund	Prior Year Actual 2018/2019	Current Year Estimated 2019/2020	Proposed Budget Year 2020/2021
General	90,825	45,769	160,027
<b>Totals</b>	<b>90,825</b>	<b>45,769</b>	<b>160,027</b>

Lease Purchases:	2017	2018	2019
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Terry Britt  
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## Rawlins County Commissioners

The Rawlins County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on June 15th, 2020 with the following present: Commissioners Craig Cox, Wilbur R. Henry and Alan A. Solko; County Attorney Charles Peckham by phone and County Clerk Rachel Finley.

Commissioner Henry called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

**Commissioner Henry made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Solko. Motion carried.**

**Road and Bridge:** Mark Loop present.

Loop requested the Commissioners enter into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel.

**Commissioner Henry made a motion to enter into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel, seconded by Commissioner Cox. Motion carried.**

They entered into session at 9:00 a.m. and ended at 9:05 a.m. with no action taken. Loop informed the Commissioners that bridge 314 is almost done. Tim and Joe helped with the bridge so they are behind on roads, they will start blading today. Kendrick has been out mowing. The mower tractor will be back from Colby tomorrow.

**Commissioner Cox made a**

**motion to approve the minutes from May 29, 2020 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Solko. Motion carried.**

County Clerk Finley requested the Commissioners approve and sign a Notice of Waiver letter for Western Kansas Child Advocacy Center. **Commissioner Solko made a motion to sign letter, seconded by Commissioner Cox. Motion carried.**

**Community Health Needs Assessment:** Karla Heble present.

Heble gave Commissioners an update on Community Health Needs Assessment. Heble informed the Commissioners that she received \$2,000.00 from Atwood 2nd Century. Heble informed the Commissioners that she would like to contract with Carol Sloper at Greater NW Kansas. Sloper helps with getting Hansen money, ACE Funding and provides other grant writing services. Heble presented a grant writer services agreement to hire Carol Sloper. Heble requested the Commissioners approve and sign agreement. **Commissioner Cox made a motion to sign agreement, seconded by Commissioner Solko. Motion carried.**

**Herndon Museum:** Kyle Grafel present.

Grafel thanked the Commis-

sioners for supporting the Herndon Museum. Grafel gave the Commissioners an update on the museum. Grafel requested that the Commissioners consider including the Herndon Museum in the 2021 budget. The Commissioners informed Grafel that they will consider the request.

**Public Health:** Karla Heble present.

Heble informed the Commissioners that the due date for Healthy Community Incentive Grant has been extended to June 30th, 2021. Heble informed the Commissioners that the park project is a go for the City of Herndon. They were able to get BCBS Pathways grant and Hansen grant to complete the project. June 30th, 2020 is the end of the grant cycle for the state formula and emergency preparedness. Heble is on target for both of those. Heble and the Commissioners discussed COVID-19 and CARES Act updates. Heble informed the Commissioners that there is still memorial money from Sonja Domsch's family; a flag pole is going to be put up for the memorial. Heble informed the Commissioners that she is having generator issues. The generator is still under warranty and the company is offering a new generator, but the county would have

to pay \$1,500.00 for the cost of labor. The warranty would not be extended for the new generator. The Commissioners agreed to get the new generator. Heble, Commissioners and County Attorney Peckham discussed Senate Bill No. 2026.

**Department Heading Meeting:**

Appraiser Rachelle Standley informed the Commissioners that the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan will need renewed by December 2020; Standley informed the Commissioners that the extension office usually renews that plan. The Commissioners discussed contacting someone at the extension office to help renew the plan. Standley

informed the Commissioners that she is going to Ludell to visit with Bob Day. Treasurer Jeri Rahe informed the Commissioners that she sent out delinquent letters on the 10th of June. Rahe shared some stats on the taxes that were collected over the past four years; 2019 97.12 percent, 2018 99.09 percent, 2017 99.65 percent and 2016 99.83 percent. Commissioner Solko informed all present that he called Lloyd Huff at the Square Deal and Huff informed Commissioner Solko that there are options on the table for someone to buy the Square Deal but nothing has happened yet. Heble informed all present that she has hand sanitizer available to any department that is

interested in taking some. Ambulance Director Darla Jarner informed the Commissioners that she will have to find a new Medical Director since Dr. Kellogg is leaving. Clerk of the District Court informed all present that they are still working under OJA guidelines for COVID-19.

**Commissioner Cox made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Solko. Motion carried.** The meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

Wilbur R. Henry – Chairperson  
Alan A. Solko – Vice-Chairperson  
Craig Cox – Member  
Rachel Finley – County Clerk

## Church Directory

### United Methodist Church

Pastor Abby Caseman  
**Sunday:** Worship 10 a.m.  
**Monday:** Bible Study, 7:30 a.m.; Noon Prayer Lunch, Wesley Room.; Core Community, 5:30 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** Bible Study, 10 a.m.; UMW, 2nd Tuesday of the month, 6:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Ladies Luncheon, 4th Wednesday of the month at Mojo's.

### Herndon Covenant Church

Rural Herndon  
Pastor Keith Reuther  
**Sunday:** Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10 a.m.; Youth Group, 4 p.m.

### Courts of Praise

Pastor Kent Morgan  
**Sunday:** Bible teaching for all ages: 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service: 10:45 a.m.  
**Wednesday:** Bible Study: 8-9 p.m.

### Redeemer Lutheran Church

Pastor Steven Frank  
**Saturday:** Service: 6 p.m.  
**Sunday:** Worship: 9 a.m.; Sunday School: 10:15 a.m.;  
**Wednesday:** Midweek supper and classes, 6 p.m.

### Herndon Immanuel Church

Herndon  
**Sunday:** Worship Service: 10 a.m.

### First Christian Church

Pastor David Todd  
**Sunday:** Fellowship: 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10 a.m.; Sunday School: 11 a.m.

### Sacred Heart Church

Atwood - Father Norbert Dlabal  
**Masses:** Sunday and Holy Days: 10:30 a.m. Saturday and preceding Holy Days: 5 p.m.; Weekdays: 7:30 a.m.  
**Wednesday CCD:** 7 p.m.

### St. Mary's Church

Herndon - Father Norbert Dlabal  
**Mass:** Sunday: 8:30 a.m.  
**Confessions:** One-half hour before Mass or as requested.  
**Thursday Mass:** 9 a.m.

### St. John's Church

Beardsley - Father Joseph Asiratham  
**Mass:** 1st Sunday: 8:30 a.m.; remaining weekends: Saturday 7 p.m.

### Atwood Baptist Church

Pastor Craig Kearby  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Worship: 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship: 6 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.

### McDonald Federated Church

Pastor Mark Adams  
**Sunday:** Sunday School: 10 a.m.; Worship Service: 11 a.m.  
**Wednesday:** Awana Club: 4:30 p.m.

To make a change to your church's entry in the directory, please e-mail us at: [atwood.news@nwks.com](mailto:atwood.news@nwks.com)

## Soil diseases that can affect tomatoes

It's usually about this time in the vegetable growing season that my Dad and I would get questions from fellow backyard gardeners about why their tomato vines are wilting and dying. Am I watering too much or too little, they would ask. Is there an insect in there causing the problem? My Dad would most likely answer:

"The culprits we are talking about here are Fusarium and Verticillium, which are diseases of the soil. The disease is soil born and can come back and devastate your tomatoes for years and years. There is now an indication that if allowed to lie fallow, these organisms' will die off in about eight years. But gardeners will seldom want to leave part of their garden fallow."

My Dad wrote that about thirty years ago, and believe or not it's pretty much still true. Fusarium and Verticillium are still around today, but there are some things you can do to avoid dealing with the diseases.

Let's talk about Fusarium because it's the soil borne disease we see during the hot and dry mid-summer months. According to K-State, diseased plants first develop a yellowing of the oldest leaves (those nearing the ground). Often the yellowing is restricted to one side of the plant

or even to leaflets on one side of the petiole. The affected leaves soon wilt and dry up, but they remain attached to the plant. The wilting continues on successively younger foliage and eventually results in the death of the plant.

So, again there is no treatment available to save a tomato plant that has Fusarium...the best thing to do is remove the dead or dying plant and dispose of it, even burn it if you can. Then make note of where that plant was located in the garden. And then next year when you are buying tomato plants, look for varieties that are resistant to these diseases...you should see a V and F on the seed packet or plant label. Newer hybrids will more than likely have multiple disease and nematode resistance bred into the plant. Varieties like Celebrity and Super Tasty are safe bets. Some of those favorite

heirlooms we love so much like Brandywine and Black Krim don't have much resistance to the soil borne diseases. Most of us know to plant our tomatoes in a different place in the garden every year.

Oh and it's important to note that your tomatoes relatives like peppers, eggplant and potatoes are susceptible to these same soil borne diseases, so be careful where you plant those plants too.

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