



Lisa (Johnson) Kuhlmann, a BES fourth-grade teacher, takes a video of Chloe Guptill and Chandler Wright's presentation on their Johnson Family Pharmacy exhibit. The pharmacy, owned by Lisa's parents, Mike and Dixie Johnson, was located in downtown Burlington from 1982 to 2006.



Mark Petterson/The Republican Tucker Noonan and Isaac Rinker pose with their exhibit about Coffey County Railroad History. The exhibit includes lanterns, right, used to communicate with engineers in train yards.

# Museum

Continued from Page 1

Washington doll, a Potato Head, a Teddy bear, View-Master, Tinker Toys, Parcheesi, cap gun, and more.

Also part of the display is a 1955 Spiegel catalog. They learned kids actually flipped through the pages of the catalog and circled toys they wanted for Christmas.

Using prices in the catalog, the most expensive toy in the display was the View-Master at \$20, because of the technology at the time. The least expensive toy was a top at 89 cents.

The girls learned a lot about what toys their grandparents played with and how different the toys were then. They agreed that Teddy bear was "creepy" and "disturbing." They also learned real fruits and vegetables – potato, pickle, pear, or apple – were used to create Mr. Potato Head.

They learned that making a museum display is harder than it looks; it was really challenging.

## The B-29 and The Korean War

(Created by Grant Guptill and Brandon Hazlett)

While researching their project, Grant and Brandon learned a lot about the B-29's role in the Korean Conflict and World War II. Grant was particularly interested in the B-29 after seeing one take off in South Dakota.

They were able to get artifacts from family members and constructed a timeline from information found on websites.

Artifacts include photos of Janet Reppert's father, John Robert "Bob" Hoag taken during the Korean Conflict. Duane Humlicek also donated a photo and artifacts honoring his cousin Lester Frank Page, a pilot of a F-86 Sabrejet fighter bomber who was shot down Jan. 6, 1952 while on a combat mission.

## Coffey County Railroad History

(Created by Tucker Noonan and Isaac Rinker)

Before working on their exhibit, Tucker and Isaac had no idea about the rich rail-

road history in Coffey County, which included the Santa Fe, Katy and Missouri Pacific Railroads.

Their display includes lanterns once used in train yards to communicate with the engineer at night. A diagram described the motions used to: set air brakes; stop the train; tell train to proceed; and back up train.

A switch lock was used in the train yards to keep people from change the direction of a train without permission. A telegraph insulator was used so electricity from the wire would not catch the pole on fire. Date nails are displayed from 1928, 1929, 1938, 1946 and 1957.

## Entertainment Then and Now

(Created by Camden Plummer, Korryn Bolen and Blake Lee)

Camden and Blake's idea for a video game exhibit expanded to include entertainment such as bowling, swimming and theater when Korryn joined the group.

The exhibit includes information and photos of The Plaza Theater, Newk's Theater and Burlington swimming pools.

Many of the artifacts in the display case were donated by local residents, including Kevin Hoskins, whose parents owned Coffey Bowl. Hoskins also bowled a perfect 300 game.

During their research, Camden, Korryn and Blake said they learned a lot about Burlington's earlier history. They also learned about early video games and were able to play a Gameboy.

## Women of the Frontier

(Created by Katie Ott)

Katie's "Women of the Frontier" exhibit is located in the pioneer section of the museum. She enjoyed learning about the artifacts she obtained from Mrs. Reppert and her family. A butter churn, corn cobs and washboard in the display came from Katie's family.

The information for the exhibit came from what she learned in Kansas History last year, online research and books from the library.

Of particular interest, a deed with the signature of President Buchanan is dis-

played that is linked to land owned by Mrs. Reppert. Katie said back in the 1860s there was an Act that granted 160 acres of land to anyone who served in the Civil War. The first owner was actually someone who served in the Civil War.

Katie said she knew pioneers had to gather corn cobs and buffalo chips for fuel, because there were not many trees in Kansas. However, she actually interviewed someone still alive who said gathering corn cobs was one of their chores.

## Johnson's Family Pharmacy

(Created by Chloe Guptill and Chandler Wright)

Chloe and Chandler created an exhibit about Johnson's Family Pharmacy, which was a part of downtown Burlington from 1982 to 2006. The business was more than about drugs and medicine. Johnson's Family Pharmacy also sold cards, novelty items and even cologne. They had a soda bar and they had a special recipe for an ice cream soda.

The display includes cups used to put the soda in, photos of the Johnsons and their customers, an Ex-Lax thermometer displayed outside of the store and an Alka Seltzer thermometer from inside the pharmacy, donated by Larry Curtiss.

A timeline of events starts when the Johnsons purchased the former Cooksey's Drug.

While doing research, Chloe said she had no idea Johnson's Family Pharmacy was a "thing." She also learned her fourth-grade teacher, Lisa Kuhlmann, was Mike and Dixie Johnson's daughter. All Chandler has seen is an empty building; he learned the building once had a lively history.

## NFL History & Highlights

(Created by Sage Fejfar)

Sage chose two National Football League Hall of Fame players for his exhibit, which included their football jerseys, facts about each player and a timeline of NFL historic changes.

The players featured in the exhibit are Gale Sayers (No. 40) who played for the Chicago Bears from 1965-71 as a half-back and return specialist and Marshall Faulk (No. 28) a running back who played for the Los Angeles Rams and Indianapolis Colts from 1994 to 2007.

Sage said Sayers and Faulk were two "very good players," in fact he described them as being the "best of the best."

Sage said the timeline has some interesting facts that he learned about. He said some people don't know that the AFL and the NFL were two separate leagues before merging to form one league with two conferences. Also, the referee's penalty flag used to be white and not gold.



Mark Petterson/The Republican Camden Plummer, Korryn Bolen and Blake Lee put together the Entertainment Now and Then exhibit.



Mark Petterson/The Republican Katie Ott's Women of the Frontier exhibit includes a deed from the Civil War era.



Mark Petterson/The Republican Brandon Hazlett and Grant Guptill tell BES students about their exhibit about The B-29 and The Korean War.



Mark Petterson/The Republican Sage Fejfar poses with his NFL History and Highlights display at Coffey County Museum.



## Honor Flight pancake feed

HARTFORD — The Olpe Lion's Club and student guardians of the USD 252 Honor Flight Program will serve all-you-can-eat pancakes and sausage beginning 5 p.m. Friday, Jan. 17, during the Olpe vs. Hartford high school basketball game at Hartford High

School. All proceeds of the fundraiser will go toward the Honor Flight Program which recognizes American veterans for their sacrifices and achievements by flying them to Washington, D.C., to see their memorials at no cost to them.

## Doebele named to dean's list

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Rockhurst University has announced the dean's list for the fall 2019 semester. This honor recognizes students who have

achieved a grade-point average of 3.5 or above. Ashlynn Doebele, New Strawn, was among students named to the dean's list.

The Coffey County  
**Republican**

324 Hudson, Burlington  
(620) 364-5325  
www.CoffeyCountyOnline.com

Please select one:

- Coffey County - 1 year, \$36
- Elsewhere in Kansas - 1 year, \$39
- Outside Kansas - 1 year, \$50
- Online Only - 1 year, \$30

**SUBSCRIBE TODAY!**  
Never pay newsstand prices again.

Please send this coupon and your check to:  
**The Coffey County Republican**  
324 Hudson St. - Drawer A, Burlington, KS 66839  
(620) 364-5325, ext. 101

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_