

Ford to cheer at ACC

LEBO — Lebo High School senior Jordan Ford recently signed a letter of intent to cheer at Allen Community College.

Attending the signing with Ford were her family, Allen Community College head cheer and dance coach Mackenzie Weseloh and assistant cheer and dance coach Marielle Melvin, Lebo High School cheer sponsor Dawn Williams and supporters, including her fellow Lebo cheerleaders.

Ford, the daughter of Duane and Amanda Ford, has been a member of the Lebo High School cheer team for three of her four years of high school. She has also been involved in band, Seatbelts are For Everyone, Big Brothers Big Sisters, cross country and track. She has also served as a track team manager and is an alumna of the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Conference.

Allen Community College is a member of the Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference (KJCCC), a member conference of the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA). The KJCCC is dedi-



Photo submitted

Lebo High School senior Jordan Ford signs a letter of intent to cheer at Allen Community College. Pictured are, from left, ACC head cheer and dance coach Mackenzie Weseloh, Jordan Ford, ACC assistant cheer and dance coach Marielle Melvin.

icated to achieving the highest goals in the integration of academic and athletic endeavors.

ROBOTICS CHAMPS



Photos by Ashley Wright and Mark Petterson

Burlington Middle School students competed in a robotics tournament Feb. 26, where area schools battled for the top spot in several events. Burlington won the competition.



Pope signs with Missouri Valley College rodeo

WAVERLY — Waverly High School senior Ty Pope recently signed a letter of intent to participate in rodeo at Missouri Valley College.

Pope, the son of Brett and Jennifer Pope, signed the letter of intent at Waverly High School Monday, March 2. Attending with him were his parents, Bret and Jennifer Pope; younger brother, Judd Pope; Missouri Valley College Head rodeo coach Ken Mason; Waverly coach Nick Fraenza, who coached Ty in football this past fall; and a number of Pope's friends, classmates, teachers and other supporters.

Mason and Fraenza both shared some words during the signing.

"I'm really excited today to come here and sign Ty Pope to come be in the rodeo program," Mason said. "We're pretty excited for him. Ty's got a ton of potential. He's got a really good work ethic, and we're just so excited he's coming to our program."

Fraenza echoed some of Mar-

ron's sentiments. "We've known Ty to be a pretty hard worker, and this is probably what he's been looking forward to most of his whole life," Fraenza said. "We're proud of him."

Pope has been involved in rodeo several years and competes in multiple events. In the 2019 Kansas High School Rodeo Association (KHSRA) State Finals Rodeo he competed in bareback, saddle bronc and bull riding, and he is the defending state champion in bareback riding and the defending state runner-up in saddle bronc riding. He was



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Waverly High School senior Ty Pope signs a letter of intent to participate in rodeo at Missouri Valley College. Pictured are, from left, front row - Waverly High School head football coach Nick Fraenza, Ty Pope, Jennifer Pope; back row - Missouri Valley College head rodeo coach Ken Mason, Bret Pope and Judd Pope.

also the year-end first-place finisher in bareback riding, third-place finisher in saddle bronc riding and sixth-place finisher in bull riding. Additionally, he has qualified for the National High School Rodeo Finals by placing in the top four in events at the State Finals Rodeo for two consecutive years.

Missouri Valley College (MVC) is a member of the Heart of America Athletic Conference and the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA). In their most recent action, the MVC

Vikings opened the spring portion of their 2019-20 schedule with competition in the East Mississippi Community College rodeo in Scooba, Miss., Feb. 20-22, where the Viking men's team placed first and the women's team fifth. Among the highlights for the men's team was Jesse Pope, Ty Pope's older brother. Jesse took first place in bareback riding. The teams will next compete in the University of Arkansas-Monticello rodeo Thursday-Saturday, March 12-14, at Monticello, Ark.

Census

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district and community, and we appreciate your consideration of this important matter," Marshall concluded.

All households will receive an invitation to respond online to the U.S. Census between March 12-20. Some households will receive a paper copy. If a household has not responded after a reminder letter and postcard, a second reminder letter will be sent with a paper ques-

tionnaire between April 8-16. People can participate in the census online or via phone or mail.

Questions for the census include name, phone number, age, sex, race, Hispanic origin, relationship to household, household tenure (own/rent), number of people in household and usual place of residence. Everyone in the household should be counted, including children from birth and up and everyone living in the home.

Further information on the census can be found on

several websites, including www.eachkansascensus.org, <https://www.census.gov/>, <https://www.census.gov/schools> and <https://kansascensus.org>. There is also a twitter account with the hashtag KansasCounts.



22nd Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner
St. Patrick Church
 Emerald, KS
Sunday, March 15
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Meal:
 • Corned beef and cabbage (alternate meat available)
 • Irish soda bread
 • Homemade pies

Raffle drawing!
 Traditional Irish music by **Beyond the Heather!**

Suggested donation for meal: \$10
 All proceeds go toward the continued maintenance of the church.

St. Patrick Church is located 6.5 miles S. of Williamsburg on Colorado Rd. or 8 miles east of Waverly on Hwy. 31, or 18 miles northwest of Garnett on Hwy. 31.

Kindergarten ROUNDUP

Kindergarten Registration for the 2020-2021 School Year!
 What to Bring:
 • Copy of Birth Certificate
 • Immunization Records
 • Social Security Card
 • Proof of Residence (such as a utility bill)

Friday, April 3, 2020
 9:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M. (by appointment)
 Burlington Elementary School
 706 Niagara Street
 Burlington, KS 66839

If your child will be 5 years old on or before August 31, 2020, he or she is eligible to enroll in kindergarten for the 2020-2021 school year.

All of the families of eligible children in our school district and other families that express interest in our school district are invited to our Spring Kindergarten Round-Up. Parents and children come together and meet the school staff, tour the building, and have a brief orientation about readiness for Kindergarten.

Please call 620-364-8882 to schedule a 30 minute appointment!
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BMS wins robotics competition

BURLINGTON — Burlington Middle School hosted its annual robotics tournament Feb. 26 in the gym, where BMS students won the overall competition with a total of 150 points. Organizing the event were Mrs. Haller and Mrs. Reppert.

Results are listed below. Overall individually: Grant Guptill, 1st; Hannah Sides, 2nd; Sage Fejfar, 4th; Jackson Hageman and Owen Yokum, 5th; Camden Plummer, 7th; Korryn Bolen and Isaac Rinker tied for 8th.

Grant Guptill: first in the Hill, the push and the 40'; third in the Maze.

Hannah Sides: second in the Rocky Hill, third in the Hill and Individual Capture the Flag, and fourth in the Maze.

Tucker Noonan: second in the Summo Bot Tournament and fourth in the Hill.

Jackson Hageman and Owen Yokum: second in the Push, sixth in the Hill and seventh in the 40'.

Mallory Over: seventh in the Hill and seventh in the Maze.

Isaac Rinker: fifth in the 40' and sixth in the Push.

Blake Lee: first in Individual Capture the Flag.

Sage Fejfar: second in Individual Capture the Flag and the Maze.

Korryn Bolen: fifth in the Maze and sixth in the 40'.

Camden Plummer: second in the 40'.
 Audrey Dailey: eighth in the 40'.
 Chloe Guptill: first in the Summo Bot Tournament.

CHILDREN'S ADDITION BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER
Sunday, March 8 at 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
 Biscuits & Gravy - Pancakes - Sausage - Eggs - Juice & Coffee
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