

Renovations

Burlington USD 244 held ribbon cuttings for renovations on the first-grade wing at the elementary school and the new central office. Page 15



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- Leon Payne, 78 Terry Vanover, 55 Joyce Whipple, 78

Lake Levels

Table with 4 columns: Location, Lake Elevation, Normal, Inflow (cfs), Release (cfs). Rows include John Redmond, Council Grove, Melvern, and Pomona.

Table with 2 columns: Location, Price. Rows include Kansas and Nation with prices per gallon.

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- Coffey County Treasurer - Delinquent Personal Property Taxes for 2019. Coffey County Extension Council - Notice of Elections. RJ Energy - Notice of Filing Application. Coffey County - Resolution No. 859, special Use to Establish a Privately Owned Seasonal Recreation Area. Coffey County - Notice of Intent to Dispose of Property - 2010 Bobcat T-300 Skid Steer. Lebo Zoning Administrator - Official Notice of Hearing to Rezone Property. Lebo Board of Zoning Appeals - Official Notice of Zoning Appeals Hearing.

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Lebo-Waverly USD 243 Burlington USD 244 LeRoy-Gridley USD 245



A new grain bunker at LeRoy Cooperative in LeRoy holds more than 600,000 bushels of corn Tuesday morning. The corn yield has been around 150 bushels per acre in the LeRoy area. A tarp was placed over the grain Tuesday afternoon. Area farmers continue to harvest corn, which was bringing about \$3.65 per bushel.

Countywide cleanup is Oct. 12-17

Coffey County Commissioners have proclaimed Oct. 12-17 as "Clean Week" in Coffey County, giving Coffey County residents will have the opportunity to clean up their property and dispose of a wide variety of unwanted items at no cost. During the week, the Coffey County Sanitary Landfill

will accept appropriate waste from Coffey County residents at no charge. Commercial haulers will be charged the normal rates. Household trash and loose paper must be bagged or it could be refused at the landfill. Any items deemed hazardous must be disposed at the

Household Hazardous Waste building, located west of the landfill. Tires will be accepted at the landfill for a fee. The cities of Burlington, New Strawn, Lebo, Waverly and Gridley will participate in the countywide clean up; the city of LeRoy will not. In Burlington, trash must be

placed curbside by 7 a.m. Monday, Oct. 12. Trash must be separated into three piles: 1) clean wood, boards, particle board, treated lumber, furniture and mattresses; 2) bagged trash and leaves (no garbage) and plastic materials; 3) appliances and metals. All items must be easily accessible from the

street with a front-end loader. The city will not pick up tires, garbage, household hazardous waste, brush or limbs during the week of Oct. 12. Contractors and businesses are not eligible for free pickup. In New Strawn, residents

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EMP Shield wins 'Coolest Thing' contest

TOPEKA — After four weeks of competition, the Kansas Manufacturing Council (KMC) on Tuesday announced EMP Shield, headquartered in Burlington, is the 2020 Coolest Thing Made In Kansas. "The KMC is excited to celebrate EMP Shield as the 2020 Coolest Thing Made In Kansas," said KMC Executive Director Jeff Chapman. "Thank you to everyone who nominated and voted for their favorite

Kansas-made products. It has been a fun competition." EMP Shield is the world's first Electro Magnetic Pulse (EMP) defense technology that can defend homes, businesses, an entire electric grid, and more from a high altitude EMP threat (HEMP). It also provides some of the world's most advanced power surge, lightning, and CME protection, defending electronics in less than 1 billionth of a sec-

ond. The EMP Shield has been tested at the Keystone Compliance laboratory, a federally approved and DOD testing facility. Test results show the EMP Shield FAR surpasses all military EMP Protection device standards. "Our team at EMP Shield is excited to be part of the Coolest Thing Made In Kansas and honored to be this year's

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Boofest to offer family fun

BURLINGTON — Burlington Promotions is gearing up for a new event at Kelley Park. Boofest will be Saturday, Oct. 17, beginning at 5:30 p.m. The goal is to offer a free, fun event for families of all ages to enjoy an evening at the park. Kicking off the event will be a hot dog feed, hayrack rides and a candy cannon. Along

with those fun activities, there will also be pumpkin decorating sponsored by State Farm - Patty Ann Sanborn. This will be ongoing from 5:30 to 7 p.m. taking place behind the grandstand. At 7 p.m. will be the U.S. Cellular costume contest, where all ages are encouraged to participate. The categories will

be 3 and under, 4 to 6, 7 to 9, 10 to adult and family. There will also be a pet category. Immediately following the costume contest will be the Burlington Recreation Center candy hunt. Kids should bring a container for candy and a flashlight as the hunt will

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PIGSKIN PICKS Tie-breaker required in competitive fifth week. Week five of the Pigskin Picks contest marked the second time in the 2020 season the tiebreaker had to be utilized to determine the winner. Two players, Becky Rich-

COFFEY COUNTY COMMISSION

Board OKs recommendation, interim EM director

Mark Petterson Managing Editor

BURLINGTON — Coffey County Commissioners approved a recommendation from the county's planning commission and appointed an interim emergency management director when they met Monday for their regular weekly meeting. Vice Chairman Don Meats presided at the meeting with commissioners Bob Saueressig, Fred Rowley and Tim Johnson present. Chairman Tom Huginin was absent.

Public Hearing At 9:06 a.m., commissioners

entered into a public hearing for Case #SU-2020-03 and approved a resolution allowing a privately owned seasonal recreation area and family resort, which may include arrangements for related dwelling sites. The 16.3-acre site, located at 1730 14th Road, has two conditions that apply to the special use. The applicant, Orion Land Company, LLC, Olathe, must follow the recommendations of the sanitation officer regarding the county's sanitation code and when the property is no longer used for a multiple-family recreational and retreat area or owned by the Orion Land Company,

LLC, the special use will be null and void after 90 days and any further use will have to meet the zoning regulations. Robert Davis represented the applicants and attended the public hearing remotely. He said the area would be active primarily during the months of November, December and January, which is during waterfowl season. County Engineer Commissioners approved three motions presented by County Engineer Wayne Blackburn: To find that one 2010 Bobcat T-300 Skid Steer (L-013) is no longer required or cannot

prudently be used for public purposes of Coffey County and should be disposed of by trade-in to Murphy Tractor and Equipment, Topeka, for \$21,500. Notice of the board's

intention to dispose is published in today's edition and will be published again next week. See County, Page 5

County up to 14 active COVID-19 cases The Coffey County Health Department, in its weekly COVID-19 update released Friday, Oct. 2, confirmed 14 new cases of the disease, nine recoveries and one death. The active cases include five males and nine females and are all between the ages of 11 and 90. As of the update, the county has 14 active cases and has had 129 total positive cases, nine deaths and 106 recoveries. As of the most recent update on the Kansas Department of Health and Environment's COVID-19 page, posted 9 a.m. Monday, Oct. 5, Coffey County has had 132 positive cases, 22 hospitalizations and 930 negative tests.

Enrollment listed for area schools

Table with 4 main columns for schools: Burlington USD 244, Lebo-Waverly USD 243, LeRoy-Gridley USD 245, Southern Lyon County USD 252. Each column contains enrollment data by grade for 2019-20 and 2020-21.

Official enrollment figures were recorded at Kansas schools on Sept. 21. One area school district gained enrollment since the same time last year - Southern Lyon County USD 252 with 37. Lebo-Waverly USD 243 had 13 fewer students than last year, LeRoy-Gridley USD 245 had 17 fewer students and Burlington USD 244 had 19 fewer students than last year. This chart lists enrollment by grade, comparing this year to last year. All figures are headcount. No weighting is taken into account.

