

# Community Calendar

Events for the Community Calendar may be submitted to The Republican by e-mail at [repubclass@gmail.com](mailto:repubclass@gmail.com), by phone (620) 364-5325, by mail to: P.O. Drawer A, Burlington, KS 66839 or drop by in person at 324 Hudson St. in Burlington.

The Coffey County Council on Aging is sponsoring free rides with Coffey County Transportation to county residents. Destinations must be within the county. Rides are available first Tuesdays and third Thursdays. Call (620) 364-1935 to schedule a ride.

Burlington library: Family storytime 11:15 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Mondays. Virtual storytimes on our Facebook page. Trading card games, 5 p.m. Tuesdays. Children/young adult and adult Grab-N-Go activity/craft kits while supplies last. Adult Busy Bodies, 3 p.m. Tuesdays.

Gridley library: Storytime, 11 a.m. Wednesdays. Outdoor games, Wednesdays after school and 11 a.m. Fridays, weather permitting. Children/youth and adult self-led craft to make each week. Adult take home programs anytime - greeting cards, baby blankets, toilet paper pumpkins, Christmas rag wreath. JAC Art contest, grades 1-12.

Lebo library: Grab-N-Go Thanksgiving Family Bags all month. Golden Heart Fitness 9 a.m., Tuesdays and Fridays. Come see special displays for the month. Ornament event, all ages, watch Facebook for day, 9 a.m. to noon.

LeRoy library: November adult Grab-N-Go activity - make a book folding Christmas tree. Friday Fun Days 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. each week. Go on a gnome hunt every day to find Charlie and get a special treat.

New Strawn library: children On-the-Go STEM activities ready for take home fun. Fiber arts, all ages, 5 p.m. Tuesdays. L.I.T. (Losing It Together), 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., weekly weigh-ins at your convenience. November On-the-Go activities - acorn necklaces, fall leaf porcupines, turkey dice games, ceramic turkeys or owls, call for details. Kansas Reads to Preschoolers Month - win candy and a book "Groovy Joe Ice Cream and Dinosaurs" by guessing quantity of candy in the jar. Holiday cardmaking kits available along with the Cricut Maker to use in-house.

Waverly library: Outdoor preschool storytimes, 10 a.m. Thursdays, weather permitting. Children Grab-and-Go crafts each week. Grab-and-Go teen and adult craft toilet paper pumpkins, while supplies last. Kansas Reads to Preschoolers Month - enter a drawing by checking out a children's book to win "Groovy Joe Ice Cream and Dinosaurs."

Elmendaro Township Library: Curbside service available Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to noon. Library open by appointment only Tuesday and Thursday 10:30 to noon and Wednesday 2:30 to 4 p.m. For more information visit <https://hartford.lib.nckls.org>.

## Nov. 13

Garage Sale Gym/Boree, Burlington Rec. Center, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Gridley library, outdoor games, weather permitting, 11 a.m.

LeRoy library, Friday Fun Day, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

## Nov. 14

Lebo library, 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten, drive-by ceremony, 10 a.m. to noon.

## Nov. 16

Gridley library, children/youth self-led "Owls" activity, all week.

Waverly library, children Grab and Go turkey craft, all week.

## Nov. 17

Gridley library, adult grocery bingo, 1:30 p.m.






## Nov. 19

Lebo library, book discussion, "The Giver of Stars" by JoJo Moyes, 7 p.m.

## Nov. 20

Gridley library, outdoor games, weather permitting, 11 a.m.

LeRoy library, Friday Fun Day, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

 <b>Thursday</b> Sunny and clear. <b>60°/29°</b>	 <b>Friday</b> Mostly sunny, showers likely in p.m. <b>53°/43°</b> 50%	 <b>Saturday</b> Partly sunny, SW wind 5-10 mph. <b>64°/42°</b> 30%	 <b>Sunday</b> Sunny, and clear. <b>60°/34°</b>	 <b>Monday</b> Sunny and clear. <b>56°/37°</b>
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### OBITUARIES

## Sharon Sue DeWitt

(April 6, 1956-Oct. 28, 2020)

TOPEKA — Sharon Sue DeWitt, Burlington, died Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2020, at Midland Hospice Care, Topeka. She was 64.

She was born April 6, 1956 in St. Louis, Mo., the daughter of Michael W. and Bonnie J. Miller Riley. Her family would remain in St. Louis before moving to Kentucky when Sharon was 12 years old. As a young lady, she attended the Baptist Church with her family.

Sharon was joined in marriage to William Ray DeWitt in Louisville, Ky., in 1973. They would make their home in Burlington in 1987.

Sharon worked as a waitress at BETO Junction and other establishments in Burlington before taking a position as a job coach at C.O.F. in 2008.

Sharon was preceded in death by her parents; a sister, Lori Ann Sharon, and a brother, Gary Riley.

She will live on in the hearts and memories of her devoted husband, William Ray DeWitt, of their home; a daughter, Pam DeWitt, Burlington; sons, William Ray "Billy" DeWitt Jr., Burlington, and Stevie Lynn DeWitt, Kansas City, Mo.; a sister, Rebecca Dailey, Lake Port, Calif.; brothers,

Robert McHolland, Licking, Mo., Mike Riley, Hartford, Johnny Riley, Emporia, and Jeff Riley, Gainesville, Mo.; 11 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Inurnment in Baker Cemetery will take place at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the Sharon "Sue" DeWitt Memorial Fund and sent in care of Jones VanArsdale Funeral Home, P.O. Box 43, Lebo, KS 66856.

Online condolences may be expressed at [vanarsdalefs.com](http://vanarsdalefs.com).

## Orville J. Cole

(March 4, 1928-Nov. 7, 2020)

OLATHE — Orville J. Cole, 92, died Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020, at Olathe Medical Center, Olathe.

He was born March 4, 1928, in Garnett, the son of Ray D. Cole and Edna Mae (Reinfeld) Cole. He spent his entire life in Anderson County, Kan., with the exception of the years he attended college in Pittsburg and Topeka, and two years in the Army in Germany.

Orville and LaVerne K. Klingenberg were married Dec. 26, 1953, in Concordia, Mo. To this union were born one daughter, Kathryn E. Cole and two sons, John W. Cole and Thomas M. Cole.

Orville graduated from Washburn University School of Law in Topeka in 1951. He was admitted to practice law in state and federal courts in Kansas and in the United States Supreme Court. After his army service, he returned to Garnett in 1953, where he practiced law until he retired

in 1990. He was a lifelong member of the First Christian Church in Garnett and served as a deacon and chairman of the board. He served as Anderson County Attorney from 1958 to 1962. Over the years, he also served as a scoutmaster, chairman of the Fourth Judicial District Bar Association, and chairman of the Anderson County Republican Central Committee. He was a member of the VFW, Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite and Shrine.

Orville was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Roy L. Cole and Claron G. Cole; and his granddaughter, Brittany Wales.

He is survived by his wife of 67 years, LaVerne K. Cole, of the home; his daughter, Kathryn E. (Cole) Harvey and husband, James, Richmond Hill, Ga.; sons John W. Cole and wife, Stephanie, Gardner, and Thomas M. Cole, Lawrence; three grandchildren, Ashley Grosshuesch and husband, Ty, Spring Hill, Lacey Enriquez and husband, Rhett, Overland Park, and Nicholas Wales, Phoenix, Ariz.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, a "Celebration of Life" service will be held 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, at the Garnett Cemetery. Kindly be mindful of COVID-19 protocols if attending the graveside service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the First Christian Church, 200 S. Walnut St., Garnett, KS 66032.

Condolences may be left for the family at [www.feuerborn-funeral.com](http://www.feuerborn-funeral.com).

## Sherry Sue Parkey

(Oct. 3, 1953 - Nov. 2, 2020)

LEBO — Sherry Sue Parkey, rural Lebo, passed away on Nov. 2, 2020, at Stormont Vail Hospital, Topeka. She was 67.

She was born on Oct. 3, 1953 in Hiawatha, Kan. She attended elementary and high school in Hiawatha. She graduated from Kaw Area Vocational Technical School

of Nursing with her LPN.

Always a caregiver, Sherry worked her adult life as a nurse focusing the majority of her career in nursing home care. Sherry also worked as a farm wife and a mother to her three daughters.

Sherry is survived by her husband, Ronald Parkey, of

rural Lebo; her three daughters, Carrie, of Jerome, Idaho, Cheryl, of Seattle, Wash., and Pamela, of Burlington, Kan.; as well as her eight grandchildren, one great-grandchild, brothers, sisters and countless friends.

Services were held on Nov. 7, 2020, at Countryside Baptist Church, Osage City.

Trefoil Road, two-tenths mile north of 21st Road, when he was unable to avoid striking a raccoon crossing the road. The 2018 Jeep Compass he was driving, registered to Donald W. Rear, Iola, sustained more than \$1,000 in damages. Mofet and his passenger, Mckenna Dawn O'Rear, 17, Iola, were wearing seatbelts and were not injured in the accident occurring 9:15 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7.

Shelley R. Cott, 52, Garden City, was traveling northbound, two miles south of U.S. 75, when she was unable to avoid striking a deer attempting to cross the road. Her 2007 Ford Edge sustained more than \$1,000 in damages

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### COFFEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

#### Weather related accident

Sarah Louis Baldwin, 19, Waverly, was traveling eastbound on 22nd Road, 253 feet north of Oxen Road, when she hit a patch of ice and overcorrected, causing her 2005 Dodge Stadia to go into a spin and into the north ditch. She struck a drain culvert which caused over \$1,000 in damages. Baldwin was wearing her seatbelt and was not injured in the accident occurring 12:45 p.m. Monday, Oct. 26.

#### Animal accidents

Donald L. Anderson Jr., 56, Gridley, was traveling west on 16th Road, 300 feet east of Oxen Lane, when he was unable to avoid striking a deer attempting to cross the road.

The 2018 Dodge Durango, registered to Coffey County, sustained more than \$1,000 in damages. Anderson was wearing his seatbelt and was not injured in the accident occurring 12:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28.

Katherine M. Barr, 67, Lebo, was northbound on Fauna Road, two-tenths mile south of 25th Road, when she was unable to avoid striking a deer attempting to cross the road. Her 2010 Ford Escape sustained more than \$1,000 in damages and was towed by Williams Towing. Barr was wearing her seatbelt and was not injured in the accident occurring 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 5.

Austin Dale Moffet, 17, Toronto, was southbound on

## Adoptable Pets

◆ *Achilles and King* — approx 1.5 year old male brothers, St. Bernard mix



Achilles



King

The adoption fee for an animal is \$75.

For information on these pets awaiting adoption, call Bonnie Foster at (620) 490-0416 or visit Burlington Animal Shelter, 719 South Fifth Street. The shelter is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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## Coffey County Housing Authority receives grant

BURLINGTON — Housing Preservation Grant funds are available for homeowners in Coffey County. The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) awarded Coffey County Housing Authority (CCHA) a two-year \$100,000 Housing Preservation Grant (HPG) that will be used with Coffey County match funding to assist low and very low-income homeowners who meet guidelines with repairs to their owner-occupied homes.

CCHA has administered the HPG grant for several years and has assisted numerous homeowners in Coffey County.

The Housing Preservation Grant can be used for plumbing, electrical, roof, foundation, furnace and insulation.

Basic guidelines need to be approved for this grant.

Contractors who are interested in bidding on rehab projects that have insurance, training and qualifications can contact CCHA to bid on future projects.

For more information, a complete list of guidelines, or how to apply, contact CCHA at (620) 364-8895, [ccha@coffey-countyks.org](mailto:ccha@coffey-countyks.org) or find Coffey County Housing Authority on Facebook.

### COFFEY COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1

Station 7 — Waverly, responded to a grass fire as mutual aid to Osage County 12:26 p.m. Monday, Nov. 2, in the 6500 block of 317th Road, Osage County.

Station 7 — Waverly, responded to an RV fire as mutual aid to Osage County 9:34 p.m. Monday, Nov. 2, in the 29000 block of California Road, Osage County.

Station 7 — Waverly, responded to a structure fire as

mutual aid to Osage County 12:07 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 3, in the 31000 block of Jordan Road, Osage County.

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