

Community Calendar

Events for the Community Calendar may be submitted to The Republican by e-mail at 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.

A free service, Hoopla, is available to all Coffey County Library patrons. Contact your local branch or go to www.cclibraryks.org to sign up for eBooks, audiobooks, graphic novels, movies, music and television.

Burlington library: Family storytime 11:15 a.m. and 6 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. Sock tree, asking for donations of new socks, hats, mittens, scarves and gloves for residents of Life Care, ECKAN and God's Storehouse.

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, mason jar ornaments, the Great Penguin Hunt, disguise a gingerbread man. Gridley library, Veterans' Christmas Tree, donate body wash, shampoo, individual snacks, new men's or women's socks, postage stamps, items sent to the Topeka VA Medical Center in January.

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 - winter gnomes. Friday Fun Days 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. each week. Grab-N-Go activities each week. Go on a gnome hunt every day to find Charlie and get a special treat. Letters to Santa, include return address for Santa to reply.

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. December On-the-Go activities - call for details. Holiday cardmaking kits available along with the Cricut Maker to use in-house.

Waverly library: Preschool storytime, 10 a.m. Thursdays. Children Grab-and-Go crafts each week. Grab-and-Go teen and adult crafts - rustic twine trees, while supplies last. Mitten tree, donate mittens, gloves, hats and socks for God's Storehouse.

Dec. 25

Christmas Day - all library branches closed.

Dec. 26

Gridley library, closed.
New Strawn library, closed.

Dec. 28

Burlington library, book discussion, "The Night Olivia Fell" by Christina McDonald, 6:30 p.m.

Waverly library, book club, "The Giver of Stars" by Jojo Moyes, 5 p.m.

Dec. 31

All library branches will close at 3 p.m.

BURLINGTON POLICE REPORT

All persons are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Speeding

Jason William Blair, 28, Tulsa, Okla., was cited for allegedly driving 45 mph in a 30-mph zone at 9:05 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 17, at Fourth and Franklin streets. He is to appear in municipal court Jan. 14.

Thursday
Sunny, clear, wind gusts to 30 mph.
35°/17°

Christmas Day
Sunny and clear.
48°/29°

Saturday
Mostly sunny, wind 5 to 10, gusts to 20 mph.
56°/35°

Sunday
Mostly sunny.
20%
49°/22°

Monday
Mostly sunny.
39°/23°

OBITUARIES

Wayne Albert Bolen

(Sept. 14, 1933-Dec. 21, 2020)

LeROY — Wayne Albert Bolen, 87, LeRoy, lost a brave battle with ALS and went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Monday, Dec. 21, 2020. He was in the comfort of his home surrounded by his wife and family.

Wayne was born Sept. 14, 1933, to Albert Lee and Edna Ruth (Dunnivan) Bolen on the family farm three miles south of LeRoy. Wayne grew up helping his dad on the farm. He graduated from LeRoy High School in 1952.

After high school, he joined the Army and was stationed overseas, traveling to Germany, Italy and Korea. Upon returning to the states, he moved to Wichita and worked at Boeing Aircraft Company assembling B-52 aircraft.

While in Wichita, Wayne met the love of his life, Helen Rolf, at Cowboy Cleaners where she worked. They both had grown up as residents near LeRoy, but had never met until they were in Wichita. They married on Nov. 29, 1959, and made their home in LeRoy. From this union they had three children, David, Dara and Carolyn. The couple just celebrated their 61st anniversary.

Over the years, Wayne farmed the land with his father, son and wife. Wayne



Wayne Bolen

He retired from farming in 1986 but continued to maintain a role in his land and property.

After farming, he went on to work for the city of LeRoy as Street Superintendent. He retired from the city at the age of 80 in 2013.

Throughout the years, Wayne was very active in his community, serving on many boards such as LeRoy City Council, LeRoy Township Board, and the LeRoy Cop Board. He was a lifetime member of the LeRoy Fire Department, holding the position of Assistant Chief for many years.

Wayne was a member of the St. John Lutheran Church in Aliceville. At the age of 64, he gave his life to Christ and was baptized in 1997.

A true joy in his life was spending time with family and friends. He was always

and Helen enjoyed gardening and the many hours of commitment in farming and sharing meals in the field with the family.

willing to lend a helping hand to someone in need. Wayne played an active part in his children's and grandchildren's lives. Many memories were made on family vacations and gatherings. Favorite getaways were to the mountains in Colorado and family time spent in Branson, Mo. May Christmas lights always shine bright forever in our hearts where you will always be.

Wayne was preceded in death by his parents, Bert and Edna Bolen, and his infant sister, Carol Jean Bolen.

Wayne is survived by his wife, Helen; his three children, David Bolen, LeRoy, Dara Carmichael (Scott), St. Francis, and Carolyn Brown (Lyle), Yates Center; three grandchildren, Cassandra Braswell (Jason), Joseph Brown (Ashley), and Lucas Carmichael; and many extended grandchildren, family and friends.

Funeral services were held 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 23, at St. John Lutheran Church, Aliceville. Public graveside services followed the funeral service at St. John Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. John Lutheran Church and sent in care of Jones Funeral Home, P.O. Box 277, Burlington, KS 66839.

Dorene Kay Metzger

(March 11, 1943-Dec. 19, 2020)

Dorene Kay Metzger, Gridley, died from injuries suffered in an automobile accident Saturday, Dec. 19, 2020. She was 77.

Dorene was born March 11, 1943, in Sabetha, to Loren Marion and Liseten Mayme (Young) Strahm.

She was a member of the Lamont Apostolic Christian Church at Lamont. She graduated from Gridley High School in 1961. In the summer of 1962, she gave her life to her first love, the Lord Jesus Christ. On Dec. 2, 1962, she and Eldon Charles Metzger were married at Gridley where she was a loving mother and wife and an active member of the community until her passing. Early in her life, she worked at the Isch Dairy and at Madison Manor as a CNA. Later, she spent 20 years as a bus driver for Gridley Schools and 25 years as the City Clerk in Gridley. Additionally, she was a part of the Gridley First Responders and volunteered for the Gridley Fire Department.

Dorene is remembered fondly for her dedication to sharing the gospel with others through her loving relationships. A fond memory



Dorene Metzger

was as a Sunday School teacher and handling out smarties to the children. At her passing, she was in active service to

others.

Her husband, Eldon, preceded her in death on July 29, 2005. She was also preceded by her son, Paige Alan Metzger, on March 29, 2018; an infant daughter, Jo Lynn Metzger; her parents; a granddaughter, Addie Grace Metzger; and two sisters, Mary Lynn and Ruth Renee Strahm.

She leaves her children, Shawn Eldon (Sandra) Metzger, East Pearl, Pa., Philip Loren (Stephanie) Metzger, Emporia, Wendy Kay Fetter, Lakewood, Colo., Barry Robert (Amber) Metzger, Sabetha, and Cory Wayne (Jodi) Metzger, Bel Aire; 15 grandchildren; her siblings, Loren Jacob (June) Strahm, Magnolia, Texas, Mara Jean (the late Albert) Edelman,

Lebo, Kerry Jo (Steve) Beyer, Olathe, Rose Ann (Terry) Schiesser, York, Pa., Julie Marie (Brian) Bahr, Fort Myers, Fla., Philemon Ray (Gail) Strahm, Rainbow, Texas, Scott Alan (Kathy) Strahm, Emporia, and Tina Louise (Jeff) Schumacher, Leo, Ind.; numerous nieces and nephews; many other relatives and friends.

Private family funeral services will be 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 28, at Lamont Apostolic Christian Church. Burial will follow in the Lamont Apostolic Christian Church Cemetery.

A come and go visitation will be 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 27, at Jones Funeral Home, Burlington.

Memorial contributions may be made to Dorene Metzger Memorial Fund, which will be designated later by the family. Please send in care of Jones Funeral Home, P.O. Box 277, Burlington, KS 66839.

For those wishing to participate in the funeral service virtually, you may join a Zoom Meeting, use the following link: <https://emporia-state.zoom.us/j/233875544>. A video will be posted on Facebook later to be viewed.

Gladys L. Newkirk

(May 3, 1928-Dec. 18, 2020)

EMPORIA — Gladys L. Newkirk, 92, died Friday, Dec. 18, 2020, in Emporia.

She was born May 3, 1928, in Gridley, to Selden B. and Lennis A. (Sergeant) Laird. Shortly after, on May 20, 1928, Gladys's mother died. Gladys was raised by her grandmother, Virgie Sergeant, along with her other nine children, who became like her brothers and sisters.

Gladys graduated from Lebo High School in May 1946. She married Francis "Bill" Newkirk May 26, 1946, in Wichita. She lived in Emporia, where she worked for Hallmark Cards from 1946 to 1948. They moved to California for a short time where she worked for Buzza Cardoza Cards, before returning to Emporia in 1950. Gladys worked for Emporia Credit Bureau from 1964 to 1973 before moving to Topeka to work for Columbia Savings as a loan officer, serving as Vice President from 1973 to 1990, until she retired and returned to Emporia.

After the passing of her first husband, Francis Newkirk, on May 17, 1992, Gladys married Don W. McAlister Dec. 23, 1995, in Emporia.

As a child and young adult, Gladys attended the First United Methodist Church of Lebo. She later attended The Flint Hills Christian Church, Emporia. Gladys was a member of the Emporia Credit Women, Topeka Chamber

of Commerce, Women's Golf Association, and American Legion Auxiliary, served as a past President of the American Business Women, and was an associate member of Topeka Realtors.

Preceding her in death are spouses Francis "Bill" Newkirk and Don McAlister; mother, Lennis A. Sergeant; mom, Virgie Sergeant; father and stepmother Selden B. Laird and Inez Wentworth; nine brothers and sisters; and stepdaughter, Judy McAlister.

Survivors include her daughter, Lennis M. McCreary (JB), Lebo; sons, Karl E. Newkirk (Connie); daughters, Kara Miller, Camille Cooper, and Jennifer Robertson; and James Kent Newkirk (Lynn), Emporia; stepdaughters, Jackie Holland and Jenee Potter, California; stepsons, Jeff McAlister, Kansas City, Larry McAlister, Emporia, and Gary McAlister, Lawrence; stepsisters, Glennis Laird Schropp, McPherson, and Loretta J. Laird McBeath Costner, McPherson; grandchildren, Jay Jasnoski, Overland Park, Chanda Starr (Adam), Emporia, and Heather Newkirk Bolen (Chris), Gulf Breeze, Fla.; great-grandchildren, Ariel Starr Groves (John), Overland Park, Courtland, Bryant, and Faith Starr, Emporia, Emily, Camryn and Ryan Jasnoski, Overland Park, Clinton James Newkirk, Mandolin Boylin and London Boylin, Gulf Breeze, Fla.; seven step grandchildren and a step great-grandchild.

Graveside services were 1 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 22, at Lincoln Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Presbyterian Manor. Memorial contributions and condolences may be sent in care of Jones VanArsdale Funeral Home, P.O. Box 43, Lebo, KS 66856.

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COFFEY COUNTY JAIL ROSTER

*The jail roster lists all people who were in Coffey County Jail during the days listed, with the exception of those under age 18 or those who may be protected under a witness program. The charges listed are those for which the person was booked into jail and are not necessarily the charges formally filed against the person.

(Dec. 14-21)

Gregory Lamonte Burrell, 39, Burlington (Dec. 14-21) - Arrested Feb. 19 by Burlington PD for rape. Held in lieu of a \$350,000 cash/surety bond.

Matthew John Beeson, 45, Emporia (Dec. 14-21) - Serving sentence.

Rose Marie Stack, 23, Lebo (Dec. 14-21) - Arrested June 22 by CCSO for possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana, aggravated robbery, possession of opiates and aggravated battery. Held in lieu of a \$125,000 cash/surety bond.

Tyler Ian Sage, 25, Lebo (Dec. 14-21) - Arrested June 22 by CCSO for possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, aggravated battery, possession of opiates and aggravated robbery. Held in lieu of a \$250,000 cash/surety bond.

Isacc Colton Sidebottom, 19, Waverly (Dec. 14-19) - Arrested Aug. 6 by CCSO for operating a motor vehicle without a valid license, possession of drug paraphernalia, criminal damage to property greater than \$1,000, obstructing legal process or official duty - interference with law enforcement and violation of a protective order. Released for time served.

James William Brown, 38, Emporia (Dec. 14-21) - Arrested Aug. 24 by CCSO for probation violation, domestic battery and failure to appear. Held in lieu of a \$47,500 cash/surety bond.

Brooklyn Nicole Williams, 27, Garnett (Dec. 14-21) - Arrested Aug. 26 by CCSO for possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of opiates, unlawful manufacture, distribution, cultivation or possession of controlled substances and unlawful cultivation or distribution of controlled substances within 1,000 feet of a school. Held in lieu of a \$150,000 cash/surety bond.

Jimmy R. Holliman, 52, Waverly (Dec. 14-21) - Arrested Sept. 10 by CCSO for driving while license cancelled, suspended or revoked, flee or attempt to elude a motor vehicle accident or property damage, aggravated assault with intent to commit felony, burglary of motor vehicle, aircraft or other conveyance, criminal damage to property greater than \$1,000, less than \$25,000, theft of property or services value \$1,500 to \$25,000, obstructing legal process or official duty, interference with LEO and aggravated battery against law enforcement officer with motor vehicle. Held in lieu of a \$500,000 cash/surety bond.

Jeffrey Lynn Everrett, 56, Burlington (Dec. 14-21) - Arrested Oct. 9 by CCSO for criminal trespass and

burglary. Held in lieu of a \$25,000 cash/surety bond.

Cory Lee Matlock, 35, Burlington (Dec. 14-17) - Arrested Oct. 20 by CCSO for aggravated endangering child, less than 18 years of age, contribute to child misconduct, domestic battery, failure to appear and abuse of a child. Released on a \$100,000 cash/surety bond.

Dylan Thomas Parks, 25, Leavenworth (Dec. 14-21) - Arrested Oct. 20 by CCSO for aggravated failure to appear, failure to appear and probation violation. Held in lieu of a \$12,500 cash/surety bond.

Forrest Lynn Cornine, 27, Burlington (Dec. 14-21) - Arrested Oct. 23 by CCSO on a warrant arrest for another jurisdiction and two other warrants for arrest. Held in lieu of a \$6,000 cash/surety bond.

Brittany Jolynn Myers, 43, Lawrence (Dec. 14-21) - Arrested Oct. 29 by CCSO for criminal restraint, domestic battery and aggravated domestic battery. Held in lieu of a \$3,500 cash/surety bond.

Nealy James Houston, 23, LeRoy (Dec. 14-21) - Arrested Oct. 30 by CCSO for violation of offender registration act, first conviction. Held in lieu of a \$25,000 cash/surety bond.

Willie Earl Wright Jr., 41, Kansas City (Dec. 14-15) - Arrested Nov. 4 by CCSO for flee or attempt to elude law enforcement officer by engaging in reckless driving. Transported to Platte County, Mo.

Jesse Steven Sage, 55, Lebo (Dec. 14-21) - Arrested Nov. 17 by CCSO for three counts of failure to appear. Held in lieu of a \$151,000 cash/surety bond.

Jason Lee Kusel, 39, Des Moines, Iowa (Dec. 14-21) - Arrested by Burlington PD for illegal registration, driving while suspended, first conviction, pos-session of stimulants, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia and vehicle liability insurance coverage required. Held in lieu of a \$12,500 cash/surety bond.

Kyle Keith Bauer, 19, Burlington (Dec. 14-21) - Arrested by Burlington PD for criminal threat, theft and aggravated burglary. Held in lieu of a \$1,500 cash/surety bond.

William Neal Fishback, 38, Wichita (Dec. 16-21) - Arrested by CCSO for parole violation. Held without bond.

Shelley Rose Inglesby, 49, Burlington (Dec. 17-21) - Arrested by Burlington PD for driving under influence of alcohol or drugs, fourth or subsequent conviction. Held in lieu of a \$5,000 cash/surety bond.

Sky Lynn Winsky, 22, Waverly (Dec. 20) - Arrested by CCSO for unlawful vehicle registration and failure to appear. Released on a \$1,000 cash/surety bond.

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