

WHEAT

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acres of wheat were planted this season in Rawlins County. "That's a little less than last year but higher than the average over the last 10 years," she said. Kasey Sabatka at Beardsley Coop is preparing for a good wheat harvest. "It looks as good as last year up here, maybe better," he said. "We just have to keep the storms away." Sabatka expects some wheat

to be delivered to the elevator within the next couple of weeks, but the majority won't be ready until the end of the month. Last year, humidity created a problem that caused harvest to last longer and led to quality issues toward the end. That same moisture resulted in excellent corn and milo yields in the fall. This year, the fall crops are off to a good start across Rawlins County.

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Grace and Elegance and \$300 Endurance scholarships. Brungardt received the \$500 2nd Runner-up and the \$400 Individual Interview scholarships. This year's judges were Leslie Beims a rural Cheyenne County resident and the 1986 Cheyenne County Junior Miss; Jasmine McEvoy, of Oberlin; and Ashlee Rhea, of St. Francis. The Junior Miss Committee

is comprised of Jennifer Beims Davis, Toni Culwell, Teya Peterson and Angie Green, assisted by the Support Committee of Wendy Holmdahl, Cathy Horton, Michelle Moses, Gail Smith and Kathy Davis-Vrbas. There is no state-level Junior Miss program, but Lankas may choose to participate in the 2024 Young Women program in Beloit.

Gov. signs bill to update pesticide law

Several legislators along with leadership from key Kansas agriculture organizations joined the Kansas Department of Agriculture on June 6 as Governor Laura Kelly signed House Bill 2607, a bill amending and updating the Kansas Pesticide Law.

including the licensure, training, and certification of pesticide businesses, dealers, and applicators. HB 2607 made critical updates to the state's pesticide law which will enable KDA to continue working with Kansas producers to ensure we have a safe, effective system to provide oversight of pesticide use in the state, emphasizing training and education. The bill's development incor-

porated input from stakeholders in the Kansas agriculture industry, legislators, and pesticide applicators. The bill makes necessary revisions to expand education, reduce barriers, and meet the standards required by the EPA to enable the program to continue its role in administering and enforcing the Kansas Pesticide Law. Following the signing of HB 2607, the KDA pesticide and fertilizer team will

develop regulations to provide more guidance to the regulated community about how the statute will be applied to those who are licensed as pesticide businesses and applicators. In addition, KDA will work with K-State Research and Extension to develop training and testing materials as outlined in the bill.

Kids learn about Smokey Bear as part of Library's summer reading program



Grace Kastens, director of the Atwood Public Library, reads a book about Smokey Bear to the library's summer reading program participants. The young readers learned about the history behind Smokey Bear, the face of the U.S. Forest Service's fire prevention program, and about Rudolph Wendelin, the artist behind the most well-known depictions of Smokey, in celebration of the 80th anniversary of his creation. They were also able to view Smokey memorabilia on loan from county museums. Following the library's presentation, the kids had an opportunity to visit the Rawlins County Museum to learn more about Smokey and the artist known for drawing him.

The library's summer reading program hosts events most Wednesday afternoons throughout the summer. Visit the Atwood Public Library Facebook page for a calendar of library events and activities.

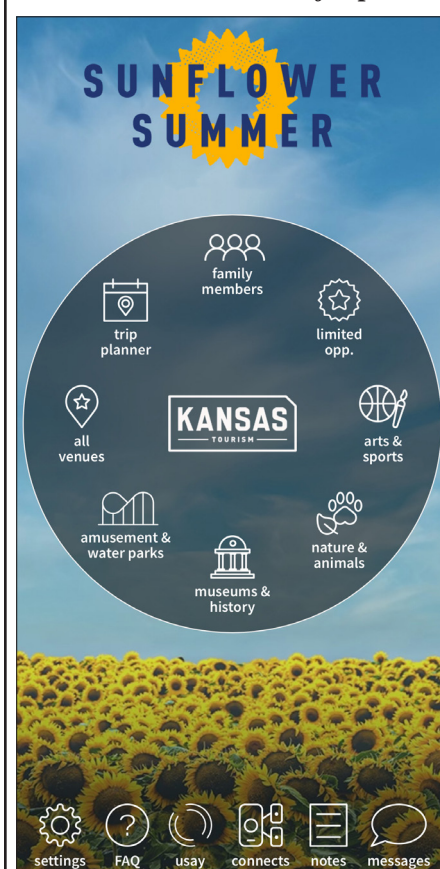
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First Sunflower Summer visitor tours museum



Above, Julie Hafner, director of the Herndon Community Museum, searches for scavenger hunt items with the museum's first Sunflower Summer app user. The tourism program, originally created as an incentive for paid attractions, is now open to all

Kansas museums and historical sites. Those who use the app help the attractions they visit to earn \$5 in grant funding per ticketholder.



Left, To earn credit for their museum visit, or grant funding for unpaid attractions, users must log in, enter all family members who will be attending, and reserve tickets at least one hour before the visit, and within the attraction's hours of operation. Once there, users must then select "use tickets now" under the Trip Planner.

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EXCERPT OF MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RAWLINS COUNTY, KANSAS HELD ON MAY 31ST, 2024

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at the usual meeting place in the County, at 9:00 A.M., the following members being present and participating, to-wit:

Absent:

The Chairman declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

(Other Proceedings)

There was presented a Resolution entitled:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE CALLING OF A SPECIAL QUESTION ELECTION IN RAWLINS COUNTY, KANSAS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE ELECTORS OF THE COUNTY THE QUESTION OF IMPOSING A ONE PERCENT (1%) COUNTYWIDE RETAILERS' SALES TAX; AND PROVIDING FOR THE GIVING OF NOTICE OF SAID ELECTION.

Commissioner Mark Mosley moved that the Resolution be adopted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Alan Solko. The Resolution was duly read and considered, and upon being put, the motion for the adoption of the Resolution was carried by the vote of the Board of County Commissioners as follows:

Aye: 3
Nay: 0

Thereupon, a majority of the members of the governing body, having voted in favor of the Resolution, it was declared duly adopted and was then duly numbered Resolution No. 2024-08, signed by the Commissioners and attested by the County Clerk. The County Clerk was further directed to take all action necessary to proceed with calling the special question election in the manner prescribed by law.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Excerpt of Minutes is a true and correct excerpt of the proceedings of the governing body of Rawlins County, Kansas, held on the date stated therein, and that the official minutes of such proceedings are on file in my office.

(SEAL)

Rachel Finley, County Clerk

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Invitation to Bid

The County of Rawlins, Kansas hereby invites the submission of sealed bids with the right to refuse for the Rawlins County Public Health Building Sold As located on 402 Vine Street and 410 N. 5th Street, Atwood, Kansas 67730

Legal Description:
402 Vine Street Original Town-Atwood, Block 20, Lot 6-7, Lots 6-7 Block 20 Original Town &
410 N. 5th Street Tindell's Addition, Block 18, Lot W 1/2, W 1/2 & A Tract In The E 1/2 Block 18 Tindell's Addition

Responses must be sealed and returned to the Rawlins County Clerk's Office
607 Main Street, Suite C
Atwood, and Kansas 67730
by Thursday, June 27th, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.

Bid Opening will take place at the Rawlins County Courthouse in the Courtroom on the 3rd Floor
607 Main Street
Atwood, Kansas 67730
on Friday, June 28th, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.