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Aaron Lampert, president & CEO of First Bank of Beloit:

“In an ever-changing banking industry, planning for the future always means doing what is best for our customers. After careful consideration, we have decided to merge with The Bank of Tescott, a decision made with the long-term best interests of our customers and the Beloit community in mind. The Bank of Tescott offers a wide range of superior products while upholding the same banking philosophies in which we believe. In a challenging market, this transition will allow us to remain competitive, expand our products and services, and continue providing the high level of service our customers deserve and expect.”

POLICE DEPT.

Beloit Police Department (BPD)

-On February 8 at approximately 1:09 pm, BPD took a report of a non-injury accident involving a 2013 Dodge Avenger driven by a Juvenile, Beloit, and a 2015 Chevrolet Traverse driven by Kristina Dawn Manz, Phillipsburg.

-On February 9 at approximately 5:15pm, BPD arrested Jose Alberto Nordhausen, Beloit, for Driving while Suspended and Speeding.

-On February 18 at approximately 10:35am, BPD responded to a fire call at Finn Kool.

SHERIFF DEPT.

Mitchell County Sheriff’s Office (MCSO)

-On February 10 MCSO investigated a single vehicle non-injury collision with a deer involving a 2007 Chevrolet Silverado driven by Dustin Dougherty, Beloit.

COURT NEWS

Limited Civil Filed

-Midland Credit Management, Inc vs Michelle Cole; Plaintiff seeks judgment in the amount of \$1,734.17 plus interest and costs.

-LVNV Funding, LLC vs Steven Martin; Plaintiff seeks judgment in the amount of \$1,222.07 plus interest and costs.

-Credit Management Services, Inc vs James Saint; Plaintiff seeks judgment in the amount of \$1,151.80 plus interest and costs.

-Capital One, N.A. vs Eric A Hamel; Plaintiff seeks judgment in the amount of \$7,881.61 plus costs.

-Capital One, N.A. vs Nancy Donker; Plaintiff seeks judgment in the amount of \$4,963.57 plus costs.

-Kristine Shumway, Administrator of the Matter of the Estate of Frank L Eilert, deceased, vs Larita Goodaker; Plaintiff requests a Writ of Execution to evict Defendant.

Limited Civil Settled

-Credit Management Services, Inc vs Ryan Nelson-Case Dismissed.

Criminal Settled

-State of Kansas vs Jonathan Stephan Adams; Defendant is sentenced to 6 months each in the Mitchell County Jail for 2 counts Furnishing Alcoholic Beverage to a Minor with 4 months Probation granted and is ordered to pay \$711.50 in costs, fees, and fines. One count Interference with Law Enforcement, 2 counts Furnishing Alcoholic Beverage to a Minor, and 1 count Reckless Driving- Dismissed by Prosecutor.

Easter graduates from Emporia State

EMPORIA – Emma Reba Easter of Beloit, Kansas, was one of nearly 400 students who graduated from Emporia State University (ESU) in December 2024. Easter graduated with a B.S. in Education in Art. Emporia State University offers a range of academic programs through its institute and seven schools: Applied Health Sciences, Business & Technology, Humanities & Social Sciences, Interdisciplinary Studies, Library and Information Management & Library and Archives, Science & Mathematics and Visual and Performing Arts, along with The Teachers College.



Solar light snow cone!
A solar light resembles a snow cone after the recent snow-fall and frigid temperatures visited Mitchell County.
SHARON SAHLFELD PHOTO



Paynes celebrate silver anniversay

HUNTER – Ronald “Pete” and Billie Tolbert Eshom Payne were married Feb. 26, 2000, at the American Legion in Beloit, Kan., with a dinner and a dance to Ramblin’ Andy Anderson Band.

Pete and Billie will celebrate their anniversary at the Jolly Mixers, with a dance to “Just Deven,” with refreshments.

Pete has three daughters, Ronni Herrick, Franklin, Neb., Sandra Bryson, Wellington, Kan., and Debra Foss, Franklin, Neb., seven grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Billie has three children, Stefanie in California, Aaron and Corey Eshom, both in Andover, Kan., and four grandchildren.

Billie is the third daughter of the late E.L. and Myrtle Diers Tolbert of Hunter, and Pete is the son of the late Albert and Dora Scholtz Payne, Guide Rock, Neb.

Pete ran Pete’s Marine in Glen Elder and Billie is a registered nurse, both retired. They reside on a farm east of Hunter.

Hardin earns CLC certification

BELOIT – Mitchell County Hospital Health Systems (MCHHS) is pleased to announce that Denielle Hardin, RN, has achieved the Certified Lactation Counselor (CLC) certification. The CLC certification is the premier National Certification in Lactation management in the United States. This achievement highlights Hardin’s commitment to providing expert guidance and compassionate care to mothers and infants in our community.

The CLC certification is awarded to professionals who have completed specialized training in breastfeeding support, education, and counseling. Certified Lactation Counselors play a vital role in assisting new mothers with proper breastfeeding techniques, addressing common challenges, and promoting maternal and infant health. This certification demonstrates Denielle’s expertise in evidence-based lactation care, reinforcing MCHHS’s dedication to comprehensive maternal health services.

Denielle’s 12+ years of dedication and compassion at MCHHS exemplifies the hospital’s mission by providing our community with high-quality, patient-centered care. Her certification and skills will enhance the hospital’s ability to support breastfeeding families, ensuring they receive the education and encouragement needed for a successful breastfeeding journey.



KARA is accepting applications for scholarships

Deadline is March 14

KANSAS – Kansas Agribusiness Retailers Association (KARA) is facilitating eight scholarships to graduating Kansas-based high school seniors and current college students in 2025. The deadline to submit applications is 5 p.m. on Friday, March 14, 2025.

Since its inception, the KARA scholarship program has awarded countless deserving students funds necessary to pursue agriculture-related fields of study.

- Graduating Kansas high school senior or current undergraduate student enrolled in a Kansas 4-year university, community college or vo-technical school.
- Self-starter, excellent academic credentials, good school and community citizens, strong desire to continue education
- Planning to or currently majoring in an agricultural-related field of study.

The Scholarships include:

- 5 - \$2,500 General KARA Awards
- 1 - \$1,250 per semester
- 1 - \$1,000 Jim Lee Memorial Award
- \$500 per semester
- 1 - \$2,500 Dr. David Whitney Agronomy Award
- \$1,250 per semester
- Open to current K-State Agronomy students only
- 1 - \$500 Steve Taylor Memorial Award
- \$250 per semester

Local students complete degrees at Wichita State

WICHITA – Isabella F. Hartman, Associate of Arts, and Porsche M. Burks, BS in Nursing, magna cum laude – both from Beloit – are two of more than 1,240 students to have completed a total of 1,378 degrees and certificates at Wichita State University in fall 2024.

The breakdown of degrees and certificates granted includes 908 degrees and certificates for 845 undergraduate students and 470 degrees and certificates for 397 graduate students.

And of those earning a bachelor's degree, 47 were summa cum laude, 223 were magna cum laude, and 123 were cum laude.

Undergraduate students who have attained a grade point average of 3.9 out of a possible 4.0 received the summa cum laude award; those with an average of 3.55 received the magna cum laude award; and those with an average of 3.25 received the cum laude.

Wichita State University is Kansas' only urban public research university, enrolling more than 23,000 students between its main campus and WSU Tech, including students from every state in the U.S. and more than 100 countries. Wichita State and WSU Tech are recognized for being student centered and innovation driven.

Located in the largest city in the state with one of the highest concentrations in the United States of jobs involving science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), Wichita State University provides uniquely distinctive and innovative pathways of applied learning, applied research and career opportunities for all of our students.

The Innovation Campus, which is a physical extension of the Wichita State University main campus, is one of the nation's largest and fastest-growing research/innovation parks, encompassing over 120 acres and is home to a number of global companies and organizations.

Area students named to WSU Dean’s Honor Roll

WICHITA – Michael A. Boyle, Sage F. Schwerman, Maggie M. Jehorek, and Elizabeth S. Meyer, all from Beloit, and Abigail L. Bowles, of Downs, were included in the 3,865 students who were on the Wichita State University (WSU) Dean's Honor Roll for fall 2024.

To be included on the dean's honor roll, a student must be enrolled full time (at least 12 credit hours) and earn at least a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

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KU announces 2024 honor roll

LAWRENCE — Local students are amongst more than 8,900 undergraduate students at the University of Kansas who earned honor roll distinction for the fall 2024 semester.

The honor roll is comprised of undergraduates who meet requirements in the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences and in the schools of Architecture & Design, Business, Education & Human Sciences, Engineering, Health Professions, Journalism & Mass Communications, Music, Nursing, Pharmacy, Professional Studies and Social Welfare.

Honor roll criteria vary among the university’s academic units. Students must complete a minimum number of credit hours to be considered for the honor roll.

Fall 2024 honorees are below and include students whose honor roll status was conferred before Jan. 31, 2025. Students who believe their names were mistakenly omitted should directly contact their academic advisers. Not all students opt to have their names published. For more information, visit the KU News Service hometown news page.

Local Kansas students named to the University of Kansas fall 2024 honor roll include:

Jewell County

- Nadia McMeen, Webber, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences
- Neah McMeen, Webber, School of Professional Studies

Mitchell County

- Bryce Beisner, Beloit, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences
- Shelly Chen, Beloit, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences
- Grady Seyfert, Beloit, School of Education & Human Sciences

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