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## Jennifer O'Hare Sworn In as Judge for the 12th Judicial District



Former Lincoln County Attorney, Jennifer O'Hare, was sworn in as a judge for the 12th Judicial District on June 10 in Concordia, KS. O'Hare is a graduate of Lincoln High School. She chose her hometown to begin her law career and remains in Lincoln with her husband today. Here O'Hare is with her family. Left-Right: Landon, Kaden, Jennifer, Michel and Connor O'Hare. (Courtesy Photos)

## VFW plans street dance

By Jyll Phillips, Lincoln-Sentinel

Note: The following is a draft of a public meeting and will not be officially approved until July.

Dee Wenger and Russ Black, representing Lincoln VFW Post #7928, addressed the Lincoln City Council during their June 10 meeting regarding a proposed street dance. They requested 4th Street from Lincoln Ave. to Court St. be barricaded for the event planned for August 16, 2025. Clerk Heather Hillegeist relayed they would need a Special Event Ordinance to sell alcohol prepared and adopted through the city. Hillegeist also informed Wenger to apply to the Kansas Department of Revenue for a Temporary Permit to sell liquor and pay the fees. Attorney Norris was instructed to prepare the Ordinance for the July meeting.

Mayor Travis Schwerdtfager opened a hearing to receive comments regarding Lorrone and Jason Leach's application for an animal permit for ten (10) chickens on the property located at 213 E. Lost Street. All property owners within two hundred feet of the property lines were notified of the hearing as specified by the City Code. Two neighbors were opposed to the chicken permit; therefore, the permit was denied.

Members of the Lincoln Center Improvement Committee (LCIC) presented the three finalist city flag designs to the Governing Body. LCIC asked for support of the final selection that was voted on by the community.

LCIC also discussed the "Lighting Project that they and the Chamber are working on. Several questions were presented. After discussion, they can apply for grants under the city, but LCIC would be responsible for holding the grant funds and paying the vendor. A "discount" or "free electricity" for business owners who supplied electricity for the lights was not approved. Use of a City bucket truck with an employee operator was tabled until a future date.

April Swartz reviewed the City of Lincoln Center Financial Statements for the year ending December 31, 2024, with the Governing Body. She thanked the City management and staff for its cooperation with the audit process before reviewing the "City of Lincoln Center's Financial Statement with Independent Auditor's Report" document, making note of any significant changes. Varney stated it was a clean audit. The 2024 Audit Report and Financial Statements were accepted as presented.

Public Officer Glen Mallam reported on the status of the list of nuisance properties. Following discussion Clerk Hillegeist was instructed to resend the Resolutions to four of the properties with a date the city would be abating the nuisance if not resolved. Attorney Norris was asked to prepare Resolutions for the July meeting for two unfit structures and a health nuisance that have received letters but have not acted.

Ordinance #759 entitled "An ordinance vacating that portion of W. Bowland Avenue west of South 5th Street, which such vacation is bounded by Lots 9, 10 and 11 in Block 1 of Bower Addition, and that portion of W. Bowland Avenue west of South 5th Street, bounded by parts of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, less a portion of Lots 4, 5 and 6, in Block 2 of Bower Addition, all of which is in the City of Lincoln Center, Lincoln County, Kansas." See "City" page 6

## Post Rock Community Foundation awards nearly \$100,000 in spring grants

The Post Rock Community Foundation (PRCF) is excited to announce more than \$98,000 awarded to 22 local projects during its Spring Grant Cycle. The following organizations received funding:

- Denmark Evangelical Lutheran Community Church - \$10,000 toward the Church Restoration and Historic Preservation Project.
- Hunter Economic Development Corp. - \$8,500 toward a storage addition for the Hunter Community Center.
- Sylvan Historical Society -

- \$10,000 toward labor, equipment and materials for the Yesterday House Museum Roof Repair Project.
- Lincoln United Methodist Church - \$5,000 to purchase



- fabric needed to complete 20 quilts for presentation on Veteran's Day 2025 and Memorial Day 2026.
- Luray Community Foundation - \$4,650 to install

Epoxy Flooring as the final phase of the LCF Kitchen Project.

USD #299 Sylvan-Lucas - \$1,000 to cover the fee for 5th and 6th grade students

to participate in the Next-Generation AmeriTowne where students will run their own town for a day; \$4,239.52 to purchase round tables for use during school

and community events; \$758 to purchase four CPR-AED Training Mannequins; \$3,277.20 to purchase flooring materials for the weight room; \$5,000 toward the purchase of equipment and supplies for the growing 5th-6th grade classrooms. Total awards: \$14,274.72.

World's Largest Things Incorporated - \$3,000 toward the repair of the Roadside Sideshow Expo stone building repair.

City of Sylvan Grove - \$1,912 to purchase trees as part of the Lincoln County

See "PRCF" page 4

## LCIC announces Good Neighbor Award



Terry Broberg of Lincoln has been selected as LCIC's Good Neighbor for June 2025. Terry has served on several boards throughout the years and assumed responsibility for the Lincoln County Food Pantry. Neighbors like Terry help make Lincoln a place people like to call home. (Courtesy Photo)

## Library's programs popular with kids and moms



Lincoln Carnegie Library has a summer-ful of entertaining, educational and enriching activities planned for all ages throughout the summer months and they've never been so popular! There was a full house during StoryTime on Tuesday, June 10. For a full list of summer fun and schedule, contact the library at 785-524-4034. (Courtesy Photo)

### Fact: German chocolate cake was invented in Texas



The "German" part of German chocolate cake comes from a person's name—and that person wasn't even from Germany. Specifically, it's named after Samuel German, who, in 1852, created the formula for a sweet baking chocolate bar for Baker's Chocolate Company in Massachusetts, which subsequently (and confusingly!) named the product Baker's German's Sweet Chocolate. Fast-forward to June 13, 1957. The Dallas Morning Star published a recipe for a cake, invented and submitted by a reader identified as Mrs. George Clay, which used the chocolate. Over the years as the recipe made its way around the country, people lost the original reference for the name and thought German chocolate cake came from the country of Germany. (<https://www.rd.com>)

### Cash Grain

Corn.....	\$3.97
Milo.....	\$3.32
Soybeans.....	\$9.71
Wheat.....	\$5.03

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