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Whitetail Deer Sculpture Reveal

By Bernard Collins, Director of Operations, Whitetails & Wildlife Museum

A beautifully molded (1½ times life-size) bronze-bust sculpture of a whitetail deer will be revealed on Saturday, June 28 at 1:00 pm in front of the Whitetails & Wildlife Museum, 715 New York Street in Humboldt, Kansas. The work was commissioned by Max Rickerson, the museum's benefactor. Rickerson worked with renowned sculptor Fred Boyer of Anaconda, Montana. Boyer has won awards and recognition the world over, and is considered a living legend. Boyer will speak briefly at the reveal event. Rickerson sees his work at the museum growing. Many more plans and improvements are scheduled to be added to the displays already being shown.

Well over 1,500 people have visited the Whitetails & Wildlife Museum since opening January 8th. Everyone is

welcome and encouraged to attend the reveal event. Regular hours of operation are posted. Saturday hours (June 28) are 10:00 to 5:00 so that everyone attending may tour the venue.

Hopefully, many will at-

*By Kenny Dodson
Horticulture Agent, Wildcat Extension District*

Tomatoes are a staple in just about every garden. Many garden problems are often due to the environment or other stressors. Disease can occur in the right conditions, and most plant diseases are fungal pathogens. Lastly, insects are often responsible for chewed-up leaves and fruit.

Tomatoes are a South American native and like the heat. They may see water stress in dry conditions. Water is also important for preventing blossom end rot. While this disorder is due to poor calcium levels in fruit cells, inconsistent watering is a big culprit. The necessary calcium needs water to transport it, but dry weather often funnels water to transpiring leaves. Providing 1-2 inches of water per week to a tomato plant is recommended. Then, mulching will allow the soil moisture to be maintained.

Fungal diseases are many. Two big hitters are verticillium and fusarium wilt. These are soilborne fungi and cause plants to turn yellow and wilt despite having ample moisture. The best way to deal with them is crop rotation of several years and planting resistant varieties. Seed packets will have codes on them to denote resistance. V =

Summer is coming: Protect yourself from the sun

*By Michelle Broxterman
Family and Child Development Extension Agent, Wildcat Extension District*

Summer is right around the corner, which for many people means picnics, swimming, gardening, and other outdoor activities. Before stepping outdoors though, it's important to think about protecting your skin's health.

According to the American Academy of Dermatology, it only takes one blistering sunburn during childhood or adolescence to nearly double a person's chance of developing melanoma. So even at a younger age, it's critical to be mindful of the sun's rays. As adults, it's important to be role models and help protect kids and babies.

Researchers say that a little sun is good for the body and mind: 20 minutes of sunshine helps in producing vitamin D, supports bone health, relieves blood pressure, and promotes good mental health.

But too much sun can lead

What's Eating The Tomatoes?

Verticillium, F = Fusarium, and any numbers next to them denote resistance to specific strains or races, such as VF1F2.

The most frustrating issue while growing tomatoes may just be the insects that eat up fruits and leaves before harvest. Hornworms are named thusly because of the short spur at the end of their body, kind of like a curled horn. They are the caterpillars of moths and are green with either white diagonal stripes or yellow chevrons along the body. Fruitworms are the same as corn earworms. They are also moth caterpillars, with a slightly paler green color and black specks along the body.

Fruitworms and hornworms will both eat tomato fruits, but hornworms also eat the leaves. Scouting requires close inspection because of their coloration. Hornworm eggs are tiny green orbs, while fruitworm eggs are white. Checking the underside of the leaves for eggs will be important. Caterpillars with white egg sacs carry parasitic, Braconid wasp eggs and should be spared. Mechanical control of the caterpillars can come in the form of hand plucking, water spraying, and destroying infested fruit. Chemical control for caterpillars can be done with BT (Bacillus thuringiensis) and spinosad sprays.

to longer-term, negative health effects.

Some ways to protect yourself from the sun include:

- Stay in the shade as much as possible.
 - Wear a hat that has a brim all the way around.
 - Cover as much skin as possible. Clothing that provides UV protection is one good way to do this, while remaining comfortable.
 - Wear sunglasses to protect not only your eyes but also the skin around them.
 - Wear sunscreen and remember to reapply it every two hours.
 - Remember to check the sunscreen's expiration date. Sunscreen has a shelf life of no more than three years.
- More information on sun protection is available online from the American Academy of Dermatology and the American Cancer Society, or contact Michelle Broxterman, mbroxterman@ksu.edu, (620)724-8233

Summer can turn up the heat on pest pressure. Good luck and happy hunting!

For more information, please

Help Protect Your Sensitive Data With These Tips

(StatePoint) Identity theft is on the rise nationwide. In fact, consumers reported losing more than \$12.5 billion to fraud in 2024, representing a 25% increase over the prior year, according to recent data from the Federal Trade Commission.

This trend underscores the importance of taking proactive steps to protect yourself – including properly handling your sensitive documents. The UPS Store network, with its variety of services that help keep your private information private, is offering these tips to help you guard against identity theft:

Shred Documents: Keeping printouts of sensitive documents you no longer need increases your risk of becoming a victim of fraud. When it comes time to destroy confidential information, you need to turn to a retailer you can trust. The shredding services available at any of the 5,400+ The UPS Store locations nationwide is a far more convenient, secure and time-saving choice compared to home shredding.

When you visit The UPS Store locations, they make the process simple. A store associate will weigh your documents, then you place them into the locked shredding bin. The UPS Store network uses one of the leading document destruction vendors, Iron Mountain, which is AAA-certified by the National Association for Infor-

mation Destruction. While this is an important service year-round, it's an especially good time to de-clutter documents, as The UPS Store is offering a 25% off discount for shredding services for a limited time.

Protect Mail: Theft from mailboxes has significantly increased in recent years. Porch pirates stole \$12 billion in packages in the past year, with up to 58 million Americans affected, according to Security.org. Beyond packages containing valuable goods, many thieves specifically target mail containing sensitive information, putting you at risk any time you receive mail from your bank, the IRS, insurance companies or other similar entities.

Gain safety, convenience and peace of mind with a personal or business mailbox at your local The UPS Store location. Route your mail and packages to your local The UPS Store location, which will even sign for packages and send you delivery text alerts. The UPS Store mailbox services accept deliveries from all carriers, ensuring your mail and packages reach you, every time.

As identity theft becomes more prevalent, taking proactive measures to protect you and your personal information is critical. Don't leave your privacy to chance – leverage resources that exist to help you stay protected.

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sioners that the City of Neodesha received \$750,000 from the Kansas Department of Commerce's CDBG Program for the Granby Street Project.

County Appraiser Jessica Porter reported that she has been appointed the Woodson County Appraiser, and will be working one day a week in Woodson County effective July 1. She also discussed property values, and has certified them to County Clerk Kayla Busch for the FY2026 budget process.

In other business, commissioners:

- Received monthly budget

reports and June employee birthday cards for signature;

- Were informed by County Clerk Kayla Busch that she was working on the July Valuation Abstract

- Met with Darren Booth, representing Theel Insurance, who discussed Freedom Claims group health insurance;

- Approved warrants in the amount of \$370,678 and payroll in the amount of \$126,313;

- Received reports from GIS, Road and Bridge, Register of Deeds, Sheriff, and Health Department fees, 911 call stats, and employee overtime.

71st Annual Verdigris Valley Art Exhibit announces winners

This year's show featured fifty-four pieces from twenty-six artists representing eleven communities across two states. The Best in Show award was given to Hugh Greer of Wichita for his acrylic painting titled "Third & Main." First and second place prizes were awarded in each category, and eight Honorable Mentions were recognized. The People's Choice award will be announced at the end of the exhibit, once all the votes are tallied. Lori Kelley,

co-chair of the event, stated, "We had some excellent artwork entered this year. Every year we see so many different types of artistic expression showcasing immense talent and creativity."

Additionally, the reception included a tribute to artist Alice Bradford from Caney, KS. Alice has been a participant in the Verdigris Valley Art Exhibit since 1954 and has rarely missed a year since. Co-chair Eenie Fitzpatrick introduced Alice, noting her "boot

box full of prize ribbons," which is a testament to her talent. Some of Alice's artwork was displayed, and she received a standing ovation as she accepted her award.

The exhibit will be on display in the IHMAC Gallery from June 13 to June 26, and visitors are welcome to cast their votes for the People's Choice Award. For more information, please contact 331-3515. The IHMAC is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Legal Notice

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TRI-COUNTY SPECIAL EDUCATION INTERLOCAL No. 607

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Please post the following notice in your local newspaper. We will need it published once weekly over a four (4) week period beginning the week of June 09,2025, through the week of June 30, 2025; ending on Friday, July 4, 2025.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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If you are an individual who participated in Tri-County services during this time (and/or are their legal guardian) and wish copies of any or all of these records prior to their destruction, please contact the Tri-County central office at 620-331-6303 or submit a written request to:

Tri-County Special Education Interlocal #607
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