

SOCIETY

McLouth Matters

• Join the McLouth Church of the Nazarene for 9:15 a.m. Sunday School or 10:30 a.m. worship.

Wednesday night Bible study/prayer takes place from 7 to 8 p.m. Teen group for students sixth through twelfth grade starts at 7 p.m.

Kindgom Kids Kindergarten to fifth grade will begin April 9. The event will run from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

For pickup inside city limits contact Angie at 303-519-0837.

• For those interested in joining the McLouth PTO, email Tiffany Jones at PTO@mcloth. org.

• The McLouth Public Library and the McLouth Parks and Recreation has begun a new program for adults, complete with snacks and the option to bring your own beverage called Monday Game Madness.

The event is the second Monday of each month from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

• Cornhole For A Cause, a benefit for the Kyle and Kristal Lash family is Sat., April 19.

The event, beginning at 1 p.m., will be held at 11895 US 59 Hwy., Oskaloosa.

There will be a card tournament, a childrens' egg hunt, and raffles. A freewill donation dinner starts at 5 p.m.

• The McLouth FFA plant sale will take place from 3 to 7 p.m. Friday, April 25, and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, April 26.

• Food Truck in the Park is held the third Monday of each month at Rose Park from 4 to 8 p.m.

• A new Girl Scout Troop is forming in McLouth for those in kindergarten through third grades.

For more information contact Emily Hinostroza at eh91614@gmail.com.

Cards of Thanks

Thanks to all who sent cards for our 50th anniversary. Your thoughtfulness is most appreciated.

Charlene and Gene Norman 46-36-11c

PUBLIC NOTICE

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**NOTICE OF INTENT TO SELL REAL ESTATE**  
THE COUNTY OF JEFFERSON, STATE OF KANSAS  
TO: ALL PERSONS WHO ARE OR MAY BE INTERESTED

TAKE NOTICE: pursuant to KSA-19-26,109 the Jefferson County Land Bank will sell the following parcels of Real Estate thirty (30) days from the published date of this notice.

Lots 618, 628, 629, 631 Lakeside Village – Walnut Grove  
Lots 648, 647, 643 and 644 Lakeside Village Walnut Grove  
Lot 6 and 16 Block E Lake Shore Estates

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JCNHS announces 3rd quarter honors

The Jefferson County North High School announces the third quarter honor rolls.

Freshmen –

Principal (4.0 GPA) – An-nalie Bell, Kyle Burnett, Ella Coppinger, JD Cutshall, Bre-ana Erpelding, Emmarie Her-nandez, Lucy Noll, and Isaac Weishaar.

Green (3.5 - 3.9 GPA) – Jaid-en Coan, Tucker Edmonds, Jenna Genova, Ryker Gigstad, Knox Heston, Jack Keirns, Pres-sley Malsbury, Jesse Noll, Ross Noll, Samantha Slifer, Morgan Turner, Brody VanDyke, Em-mett Weishaar, and Carter Wilbourn.

White (3.0 - 3.49 GPA) – Miles Jeffrey, Emilee Mitchell, Adalynn Rice, and Lane Stirtor.

Sophomores –

Principal (4.0 GPA) – Gwynn Blattner, Alexander Easterday, Brody Edwards, Carina John-son, Holley Kosanke, Karlee Porter, Taylor Schrick, and Emilee Subelka.

Green (3.5 - 3.9 GPA) – Cal-lum Baker, Essie Funk, Logan Johnson, Dawson Lindsay, Lindsay Martin, Merrick Noll, Colby Olberding, Grace Roloff, Scott Roloff, Wyatt Silvers, Lyra Weishaar, and Emily Wood.

White (3.0 - 3.49 GPA) – Kahler Brown, Caleb Clayton, Madelyn Gerety, Bailey Jen-kins, Max Kane, Laykin Kram-er, Grant McMillan, Christo-pher Noll, and Hallie Noll.

Juniors –

Principal (4.0 GPA) – Mi-chael Lee.

Green (3.5 - 3.9 GPA) – Rex Fuhrman, Shane Johnson, Isaac Laird, Ava Noll, Addison Smith, Riley Thompson, and Bryn Wagner.

White (3.0 - 3.49 GPA) – Reese Babcock, Hannah Dodd, Will Elias, Cale Hattemer, Chance Jenkins, Cohen Navin-sky, and Bailey Porter.

Seniors –

Principal (4.0 GPA) – Kenna-di Henandez, Julian Huss, Eli Weishaar, and Anna Wendling.

Green (3.5 - 3.9 GPA) – Wy-att Burk, Olivia Domann, Ivy Fujibayashi, Madison Jenkins, Izzy LeGrand, Abraham Noll, and Amyiah Thomas.

White (3.0 - 3.49 GPA) – Andy Baker, Maliki Hubbard-House, and Chace Terry.

Where to hunt eggs...



McLouth

• Kiwanis Community Easter Egg Hunt. Sat-urday, April 19, at 10 a.m. at Stan Braksick Sports Complex, 217 Summit Street. Bring your own basket.

Meriden

• Meriden Association for Community Events Easter Egg Hunt (ages 0-12). Saturday, April 19, at 10 a.m. at the threshing grounds, 8275 K-4 Hwy. Eggs divided by age groups. Farmer's/ vintage market, prizes, and the Easter Bunny. One grand prize bicycle awarded per age group.

Nortonville

• Beta Sigma Phi Easter Egg Hunt (ages 0-11). Saturday, April 19, at 10 a.m. on the Anew Healthcare & Rehab lawn, 412 Walnut. Special guest, the Easter Bunny.

Oskaloosa

• Lions Club 50th annual Easter Egg Hunt (ages 1-11). Saturday, April 19, at 11 a.m. in Old Jefferson Town. Eggs divided by age groups, with one special prize egg for each group and one grand prize awarded.

Ozawkie

• City of Ozawkie Easter Egg Hunt. Satur-daym April 19, beginning at 1 p.m., at the city park, 524 Kiowa Drive. Ages 0-10, divided by age group. Golden egg prizes with grand prize for each age group. Pitcures with the Easter Bunny.

Valley Falls

• Centenarian Club Easter Egg Hunt (ages 0 to fifth grade). Saturday, April 19, at 3 p.m. at the city park, 400 Elm Street. Over 6,000 eggs with candy and local business donations. Eggs divided by age groups. Bike giveaway for each egg group. Special guest, the Easter Bunny.

Winchester

• Library Easter Egg Hunt. Friday, April 18, at 10 a.m. Kids of all ages welcome!  
• Easter Egg Hunt (ages 0-12). Saturday, April 19, at 10 a.m. at F.W. Huston Park, 411 Spruce Street. Breakfast in the community building from 7 to 10 a.m.



House on fire Monday near Perry

A house fire was report-ed early Monday just west of Perry, according to a report by WIBW TV.

The blaze was reported around 6:30 a.m. at a residence in the 8200 block of Newman Lane, about 2 miles west of Perry.

Mutual aid in battling the blaze was being provided to help Kentucky Township by a number of neighboring fire departments.

No other information was available at press time.

Pawsitively Jefferson County



• Non-profit organization to humanely reduce the outdoor cat population

• Volunteers are needed once a month

• Let us know if you have outside cats needing our spay/neuter program

• Contact Julie Blichmann at 785-813-2230 or email pawsitivelyjeffersoncounty@gmail.com

Community Easter Sunrise Service at Old Jefferson Town April 20 • 7 a.m.

A breakfast will follow the service at the 1st Presbyterian Church, Oskaloosa.

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OBITUARIES

STEPHEN COLLIER

Stephen Watson Collier of Ozawkie, Kansas, passed away on April 3, 2025, at Stormont Vail Hospital in Topeka. Stephen was 70 years old.



Stephen was born to Mary and James Collier on April 12, 1954, in Little Rock, Arkansas. He attended school in Arkansas and Kansas before

earning his high school diploma from Madison, Kansas. An out-standing athlete, Steve earned an athletic scholarship to St. Mary of the Plains College, an opportunity that was cut short by injury. He also attended Kansas Wesleyan University before earning his degree in English from Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, Oklahoma. He later pursued graduate studies at Ft. Hays State University.

During his professional career, Stephen taught at various high schools in Kansas, teaching English and forensics and coaching football and track. Later in his career, he also taught at the Douglas County Correctional Center and several degree-completion sites in Lawrence and Topeka.

Stephen is survived by his wife, Margaret (Peggy) Doyon Collier, his five sisters, and three spoiled cats.

The couple was married on January 1, 1980, at the Catholic Cathedral in Salina, Kansas. Fervent animal lovers, Stephen and Peggy doted on their pets, including two Newfoundland dogs, Tobie and Rita, and a number of beloved and spoiled cats.

Stephen loved reading and books, especially books on politics and classic science fiction. Other interests included golf, Democratic Party politics, and the Arkansas Razorbacks.

In life, Stephen Collier was generous, stubborn, loyal, opinionated, and kind-hearted. He loved a spirited argument, good barbeque, and, most of all, his wife, Peggy.

Barnett Family Funeral Home and Cremation of Oskaloosa, Kansas, is in charge of the arrangements. Memorials are suggested to the Jefferson County Humane Society. Cards and condolences may be sent in care of the funeral home. No service is planned.

JANIE WELLMAN

Janie D. Wellman, 73, of Lawrence, died Wednesday, April 9, 2025.

She was married to Lyle M. Wellman on November 10, 1987, at the Dan-forth Chapel on the K.U. Campus. Lyle survives at home,

A visitation gathering was April 15, 2025, at Barnett Family Funeral Home, Oskaloosa. Burial was at St. Aloysius Cemetery in Meriden.

Memorials are suggested to Ascend Hospice or to Cross Roads Cowboy Church. barnettfamilyfh.com Paid obituary

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