



COUNCIL GROVE JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL



Tracie Schroeder Named USD 417 Secondary KTOY Nominee

Tracie Schroeder was announced this week as the USD 417 Morris County Secondary Kansas Teacher of the Year Nominee. Mrs. Schroeder teaches Physics, Engineering Design, Computer Science, and Advanced Physics. Along with her teaching assignments Mrs. Schroeder coaches both the Robotics team and eSports team. Mrs. Schroeder has been integral in expanding the opportunities in science that students at CGJSHS have available to them. Thank you Mrs. Schroeder!

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Students trained in CPR

Twenty members of HOSA (Future Health Professionals) earned their CPR certification last week. Morris County EMS provided the training and the Community Thrift Store sponsored the class. We appreciate the Community Thrift Store covering the cost of the certifications and providing this opportunity for the students.

REMINISCING

(from the files of the Council Grove Republican)

1976

Tom Cosgrove, president of Morris County Historical Society, explains establishment of Indian reservation in this area at their noon meeting ...City Council faces decision on best alternative to meet minimum waste-water treatment requirements.

1986

Buddy Roger is son born to Mr. and Mrs. Roger Willis, Emporia... Marlys Lindsley and Aaron Holm are crowned White City High School Homecoming queen and king... Grand opening of Arlan Swanson's insurance office at 207 West Main Street will be Oct. 10.

1996

Starla Borg, Tansy Brooks, Stacy Johnson, Bob Alexander, Jason Harris and Shane Tiffany selected as fall homecoming queen and king candidates at CGHS...Kent and Rose Bacon and their son Greg featured in November issue of Farm & Ranch Living magazine...Paul and Patti Mendonza, Denver, CO., parents of twins - Justin Anthony and Gina Marie...Ryan Buchanan accepts scholarship at Fort Hays State.

2006

Simpson United Methodist Church in Alta Vista to celebrate 125th anniversary with carry-in dinner and service of celebration...Kay Hutchinson attends 24th annual session of Kansas Silver Haired Legislature... Sisters on the Fly event at Canning Creek Cove features camping in vintage trailers.

2016

Flint Hills Regional Council receives a \$165,000 Planning Partnership Grant from the United States Economic Development Administration (EDA)...Bruce Day scores 108 points last weekend to win the Power Points Football Contest...Heather Sigle submits her resignation as county appraiser.

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Questions appearance

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Morris County," he wrote.

Kohler expressed similar concerns during a conversation with the Republican Wednesday evening. "Dave and I were totally unaware of any of this," Kohler said. "He (Barber) sat in Tuesday's meeting and never said a word about going over there (Herington). To wear his commissioner's shirt and more or less say we welcome data centers was WRONG."

Guymon's Facebook post also raised questions about the possible location and scale of the development. According to her account, developers are considering property at the former Herington Army Air-field, along with approximately 640 acres reportedly available from an unidentified Morris County land-owner.

Combined with approximately 300 acres at the former airfield, the potential project area could approach 1,000 acres, raising questions about whether a hyperscale data center is being considered.

Guymon noted that Morris County's lack of zoning regulations could limit the county's ability to regulate such a development. She encouraged residents, regardless of their position on data centers, to contact their county commissioners and suggested a public informational meeting to discuss the potential advantages and disadvantages.

The Republican has not independently verified the proposed acreage, developers' statements or Barber's comments at Tuesday's meeting. The newspaper will review the meeting recording when it becomes available and provide additional reporting.

The Republican contacted Commissioner Barber for comment Wednesday but had not received a response by press time.

Guymon's letter to the editor, addressing her concerns in greater detail, appears on Page 2 of today's Republican.

Undefeated Braves

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and 133 rushing yards per game.

Senior quarterback Luke Stewart has passed for 1,130 yards and 16 touchdowns without an interception. Mason Samuels leads the receivers with 470 yards and seven touchdowns, while Cooper Andres and Bradley Doornbos lead the rushing attack with 232 and 229 yards, respectively. Doornbos has scored eight rushing touchdowns.

Defensively, David McDiffett leads the Braves with 53 tackles, followed by Reid Buttrey with 32 and Doornbos with 31. Kicker Carter

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MISC.

"The 36-Hour Day" Support Group meets 1-2 p.m. on Thursdays at the Morris County Hospital Chapel. It is free, safe, confidential and open to anyone caring for a friend or loved one with dementia. For info, call Jan at 303-775-5901 or Liz at 785-466-1590.

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In compliance with the provisions of K.S.A. 25-4411(b), notice is hereby given that the electronic voting equipment to be used in the November 3rd, 2026 General Election will be tested. The public test will be conducted on Friday, October 9th at 1:00 p.m. in the Morris County Clerk's Office.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 7th day October 2026.

Chelsey Schmidt  
Morris County Clerk

(seal)  
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|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------|--------------|------------------------|
|                                       | BEGINNING<br>CASH BALANCE | REVENUE    | EXPENDITURES | ENDING<br>CASH BALANCE |
| General                               | 1,838,950.37              | 406,436.84 | 814,687.41   | 1,430,699.81           |
| Road and Bridge                       | 2,808,436.53              | 248,105.01 | 700,898.22   | 2,355,643.32           |
| Special Bridge                        | 1,446,048.18              | 0          | 13,000.00    | 1,433,048.18           |
| Reappraisal                           | 156,908.05                | 9,666.02   | 40,912.07    | 125,662.00             |
| Health                                | 45,205.29                 | 6,476.14   | 40,000.00    | 11,681.43              |
| Noxious Weed                          | 123,312.94                | 58,093.16  | 35,535.85    | 145,870.25             |
| Ambulance                             | 97,060.14                 | 14,815.71  | 93,708.79    | 18,167.06              |
| Solid Waste                           | 317,441.24                | 33,881.72  | 127,846.33   | 223,476.63             |
| Mental Health                         | 24,470.73                 | 3,468.73   | 20,000.00    | 7,939.46               |
| Hospital Maintenance                  | 68,214.09                 | 9,230.15   | 65,000.00    | 12,444.24              |
| 911                                   | 271,691.81                | 19,177.37  | 5,050.56     | 285,818.62             |
| Capital Improvement                   | 473,009.17                | -          | 54,036.55    | 418,972.62             |
| Equipment Reserve                     | 1,049,645.23              | 800.00     | 27,655.00    | 1,022,790.23           |

A detailed statement of 2026 expenditures is available for public inspection at the Morris County Clerk's office.

Copies of such statement will be available upon request.

Dated: October 7, 2026

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Admissions Recruiter

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- Ability to travel regularly and occasionally stay overnight.
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Application Process:

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