

Eagles battle hard lose in bizzare fashion

Last Friday night the Eagles battled the Sabres of Reno County Home School out of Hutchinson. Don't let the "Home School" fool you. The Sabres are a non KASHSAA eligible school so there are some exceptional players.

The Eagles for the first half did very well running the Flexbone. Still without starting quarterback Eli Camacho, Adrian Adigun once again was the field general for the Eagles. The first half ended and the Eagles were up 28-13 and then some interesting things happened. They fumbled the ball on the kick-off and RCHS scored making it 28-20. But the Eagles came right back with a great 49 yard touchdown run by Isai Gardado to make the score 34-20. But injuries

to key defensive players and having to play some players that had not seen much varsity action along with some key penalties, the Sabres went up 34-35 with four minutes to go in the game.

The Eagles still had two time outs and ran the ball getting good yardage, but a key holding penalty set the Eagles back to third and 12. The Eagles got six yards on the next play and on fourth down was stopped just short of the line to gain for a first down.

Now comes the interesting part, the Sabres ran two plays and the Eagles used their last time out with 2:48 seconds left and if your math is good ...so 40 seconds can run off the clock before the ball needs to be snapped and the Sabres did that. So with 2:05

seconds they lined up for the fourth down play. The receiver let the time go down to 1:26 and jumped off-side. A flag was thrown, illegal procedure, five yards back, 25 seconds was put on the play clock and the referees started the game clock ?????? They continued to do that for the rest of the time...25 seconds at a time.....and the game was over.

This week the Eagles have Homecoming against the Colby Eagles. Game starts at 7:00 p.m. with Homecoming festivities before the game starting at 6:30.

Coach Witt and his staff would like to thank everyone that supported the Eagles last Friday night and hopes that everyone will be there this Friday night to cheer on the Hugoton Eagles...I.G.Y.B!!!!

MS football battles Colby

The Hugoton Middle School football teams hosted Colby Thursday, September 17. The eighth grade team lost to Colby 0-20 in two quarters. The seventh grade team defeated Colby 40-0.

The teams will host Holcomb Thursday with games starting at 4:00 p.m.



The Lady Eagles get set for the return ball after #10 Farrah Gaskill sends it back over the net. Pictured from the left are Aaliyah Muñoz, Natalie Villegas, Emmy Haar, Gaskill, Nikayla Vos and Kinley Howie. Photo courtesy of Greg O'Loughlin.

MS volleyball has busy week

The Hugoton Middle School volleyball teams had a busy week last week. The teams traveled to Cimarron, Scott City and Syracuse.

Monday, September 14 the teams competed at Cimarron. The eighth grade A-Team lost to Cimarron (20-22, 18-21). The team defeated Ulysses (19-21, 21-10, 15-11). The B-Team defeated Cimarron (21-6, 21-11) and Ulysses (21-13, 21-15).

The seventh grade A-Team lost to Cimarron (9-21, 12-21) and Ulysses (21-19, 10-21, 14-16). The B-Team defeated Cimarron (21-14, 21-12) and Ulysses (21-19, 21-19).

defeated Goodland (21-13, 21-8).

The seventh grade A-Team lost to Scott City (17-21, 20-22) but defeated Goodland (21-11, 21-12). The B-Team lost to Scott City (16-21, 20-22) but defeated Goodland (21-9, 21-11).

Saturday, September 19 the A-Teams competed in the Syracuse Tournament. The eighth grade A-Team placed second at the tournament. The team defeated Deerfield (25-11, 25-11); Syracuse (25-5, 25-15); and Holcomb (25-17, 23-25, 15-6). The team lost to Greeley County (13-25, 25-21, 7-15) and Greeley County (22-25, 12-25).

PUBLIC NOTICE

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In the Twenty-sixth Judicial District
District Court, Stevens County, Kansas
Probate Department

In the Matter of the Estate of Vera Louise Sims, a/k/a Louise Sims, a/k/a Vera Louise Sims-Marsing. Deceased.

Case No. SV-2026-PR-25

Notice of Hearing

The State of Kansas to All Persons Concerned:

You are hereby notified that on the 1st day of September, 2026, a Petition has been filed in said Court

by Kenneth Bruce Sims praying for foreign probate without administration; and you are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 15th day of October, 2026, at 9:30 o'clock a.m. of said day, in said Court, in the City of Hugoton, in Stevens County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said Petition.

Kenneth Bruce Sims, Petitioner

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HS volleyball teams compete at Cimarron

Tuesday, September 15 the high school Lady Eagles volleyball teams competed at Cimarron. The varsity lost (9-25, 22-25, 19-25) and the JV lost (19-25, 25-17, 4-15).

The teams will travel to Ulysses Thursday with games starting at 3:00

p.m. Saturday the JV will compete at Lakin, C-Team at Holcomb and varsity at Ulysses with games starting at 9:00 a.m. Tuesday the teams will host Holcomb with games starting at 5:00 p.m.

HS Debate at Garden City

The Hugoton High School Debate team traveled to Garden City Saturday for a meet. The results of the meet were Ciara Anton and Micah

Johnson - 3 - 2; Millie Rojas and Atziri Murillo - 3 - 2; Aiden McDaniels and Jaden Ribera - 4 - 5; and Maddie Topliss and Vivian Steers - 5 - 0.

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BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS NOTICE OF FILING APPLICATION

RE: P.O.&G. Operating, LLC – Application for an exception to the 10-year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for the CSMU (ML Reynolds C4) Well No. 104, located in, Stevens County, Kansas.

T0: All Oil & Gas Producers, Unleased Mineral Interest Owners, Landowners, and all persons whomsoever concerned. You, and each of you, are hereby notified that P.O.&G. Operating, LLC has filed for an application for an exception to the 10-year time limitation of K.A.R. 82-3-111 for the CSMU (ML Reynolds C4) Well No. 104, located in the NW SW NW of Section 22, Township 31 South, Range 35 West, Stevens County, Kansas. Any person who objects

to or protests this application shall be required to file their objection or protest with the Conservation Division of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas within fifteen (15) days from the date of this publication. These protests shall be filed pursuant to Commission regulation and must state specific reasons why the grant of the application may cause waste, violate correlative rights, or pollute the natural resources of the State of Kansas. All persons interested or concerned shall take notice of the foregoing and shall govern themselves accordingly. Any such protest should be mailed to the State of Kansas, Conservation Division (Oil & Gas), 266 N. Main St., Ste. 220, Wichita, Kansas 67202-1513, and to the Applicant at the address shown below.

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Kinley Howie serves the ball during a recent volleyball home game. Photo courtesy of Greg O'Loughlin.

GCCC launches new drone technology courses with evening and weekend options

Garden City Community College is giving students and community members a new opportunity to develop practical drone technology skills through two eight-week courses offered in evening and weekend formats this fall.

The courses, Introduction to UAS (UAST-100) and UAS Applications (UAST-103), will run from October 12 through December 10, 2026. Both will be taught by Adam Oyler in the GCCC STEM Success Center, located in the Warren Fouse Science/Math Building.

Introduction to UAS will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 to 8:25 p.m. The course provides a foundation in unmanned aircraft systems, including aircraft platforms, components, classifications, and industry applications. Students will also learn about principles of flight and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations and how commercial UAS operations fit within the National Airspace System.

UAS Applications will meet Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The course focuses on how drones are used across multiple industries. Students will explore operational requirements, data collection techniques, and industry standards while gaining experience with mission planning, data capture, and basic data processing. Students will also create professional-grade deliverables based on industry-specific applications.

The courses are part of GCCC's new Unmanned Aircraft Systems Technology (UAST) program, designed to prepare students with practical drone technology skills for a variety of professional and commercial applications.

Drones are being used across a growing number of industries, including agriculture, emergency response, infrastructure inspection, aerial videography, and more. GCCC's program provides students with opportunities to learn how drone technology is used in real-world commercial applications while developing skills that can be applied across multiple industries.

The evening and weekend schedules are designed to provide flexibility for individuals who work during traditional class hours while giving participants an opportunity to build skills that can be applied in their current careers or future career opportunities.

"These courses provide an opportunity for people to build practical drone technology skills that can be applied across a wide range of industries," said Oyler. "Students will learn both

the fundamentals of UAS and how drones are being used to collect information, solve problems and support businesses and organizations."

The courses are part of GCCC's 19-credit Drone Technology Certificate A, which provides a focused pathway for students interested in developing skills in UAS technology and commercial drone applications.

The courses are open to anyone interested in learning about drone technology and its applications. The first step is to complete GCCC's free admission application by visiting gcccks.edu/apply.

Questions about the courses, certificate, or enrollment can be directed to Michael Cole, GCCC Technical Recruiter/Advisor, at michael.cole@gcccks.edu.

Courses at a Glance

- Introduction to UAS (UAST-100) Tuesdays and Thursdays | 6–8:25 p.m. October 12–December 10, 2026
- UAS Applications (UAST-103) Saturdays | 8 a.m.–4 p.m. October 12–December 10, 2026

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