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"We're so confident you'll prefer our service that we don't require contracts. We believe customers stay because of the experience we provide."

Hugoton residents can soon enjoy:

- Symmetrical upload and download speeds of up to 8 gigabits per second, perfect for streaming, gaming and working from home.
- Unlimited data with no throttling, interruptions or lag time — internet when you need it most.
- No annual contracts, offering flexibility and freedom.
- Friendly, Kansas-based customer support that's just a call away.
- A future-proof fiber network built for long-term reliability and scalability.

Construction is underway, with crews installing the fiber-optic network entirely underground.

"With the increasing threat of high winds impacting aerial broadband infrastructure in western Kansas, we felt it was important to build this network the right way from the start and place it 100% underground in Hugoton," said James Krstolich, Director of Community Relations & Philanthropic Partnerships.

Some Hugoton neighborhoods will be ready for service installation by mid-to-late November. An informational meeting is scheduled for 12:30 p.m. November 11, 2026, at the Hugoton Senior Center, 624 S Main St.

To check if your home is in IdeaTek's service area and to sign up for service, visit hookmeup.ideatek.com.

IdeaTek is continuing to grow its presence across southwest Kansas, with fiber service available in Garden City, Dodge City, Liberal and several smaller communities throughout the region. The company also recently acquired Elkhart-based Epic Touch.

Celebrating 27 years in business, IdeaTek was founded in 1999 by Friesen and four friends while attending Buhler High School. Today, the company employs more than 290 Kansans and continues to grow. IdeaTek has deployed over 8,500 miles of fiber and built 150 fixed wireless towers, serving customers in over 130 Kansas communities. Learn more at ideatek.com.



Sebastian has joined the Stevens County Library's 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten challenge. Welcome Sebastian! We look forward to watching you discover a love of reading! The 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten challenge is open to any child who is not yet in Kindergarten. Stop by the Stevens County Library to get started!



Marily has joined the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten challenge at the Stevens County Library. You're going to rock it Marily! We are excited to watch you grow and learn! Tracking books for the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten challenge is simple...every time your child experiences a book, mark an X on their reading tracker. Visit the library to pick up your child's first reading tracker.

DID YOU KNOW?

Retail holiday enthusiasts may be partial to one day over another, but come the holiday season, there might not be too big a difference between Black Friday and Cyber Monday. In a recent interview with NBC News, Dr. Ngoc (Cindy) Pham, an associate professor of management, marketing and entrepreneurship at Brooklyn College, noted that holiday season retail holidays like Black Friday and Cyber Monday are now part of a single, extended shopping cycle, which has resulted in nearly identical deals being available on each day. Black Friday, which occurs on the Friday after Thanksgiving, and Cyber Monday, which falls on the Monday following Thanksgiving weekend, used to be separated by in-store shopping (Black Friday) and online shopping (Cyber Monday). But Pham notes fast shipping, more flexible return policies and competition between retailers has made it difficult to differentiate between the two events. Despite that, Pham notes Black Friday still might be a better day to find big-ticket items like large electronics, as retailers aim to attract customers to their stores (on a day many consumers are not working) and clear products like these which tend to be high-inventory. Cyber Monday, when consumers tend to be working or at school, is a day to find smaller electronics and smaller items, as these tend to be easier to purchase on mobile phones or when visiting traditional websites.

Submitted by Metro Editorial Service.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Alzheimer's Association says roughly one in nine people age 65 and older have Alzheimer's disease. More than seven million Americans are living with the disease. Around the world, Alzheimer's Disease International indicates there are more than 55 million people living with dementia. Alzheimer's disease gradually damages and destroys neurons in the brain. These changes can begin 20 years or more before memory loss and other symptoms develop. Unfortunately, Alzheimer's disease is ultimately fatal, although several modifiable risk factors exist for dementia that, if addressed, may delay the onset of symptoms.

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American Education Week

November 16-20, 2026

The USD 210 Board of Education would like to thank all teachers and staff for all the hard work they do.

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

Free Will Offering

HUNTERS WELCOME

Saturday, November 14

5:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m.

STEVENS COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

11th & Washington - Hugoton

Menu: Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Pancakes

Coffee & Juice ~ Thermos Bottles Filled

Buffet Style/All You Can Eat/Free Will Donation

THE HUGOTON LIONS CLUB

Proceeds Used For Community Projects

Shot Gun Drawing at Breakfast *(Need Not Be Present To Win)*

PUBLIC NOTICE

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF STEVENS COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CHARLES E. CRANE, A/K/A CHARLES EUGENE CRANE, DECEASED
AND
THEO A. BROWN, A/K/A THEO A. CRANE, A/K/A THEO GOOCH CRANE, DECEASED
(Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

Case No. SV-2026-PR-000028

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Deborah J. Donaldson, one of the heirs of Charles E. Crane, deceased, and Theo A. Brown, deceased, requesting:

Descent be determined of the following described real estate situated in Stevens County, Kansas:

Undivided mineral interest in E/2 SW/4 of Sect. 19-T33S-R36, and S/2 SW/4 of Sect. 36-T34S-R37, and N/2 SE/4 of Sect. 7-T35S-R35 West of the 6th PM;

and all other Kansas real estate owned by decedent at the time of death. And that such property and all other Kansas real estate owned by the decedent at the time of death be assigned pursuant to the laws of intestate succession.

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before December 3, 2026. at 9:30 a.m. in the city of Hugoton, Stevens County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

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