

# Legal Notices

**NOTICE OF BID**  
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On behalf of Greenbush - The Southeast Kansas Education Service Center, DCS Services LLC will be soliciting bids for a new observatory, a new storage building, and the remodel of the Greenbush Science Center. Interested parties should contact DCS Services at 316-869-1008. We encourage participation by small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises.

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# Girard boys beat Colgan by two

BY ABIGAIL STANSBURY  
HOMETOWN GIRARD

►► The Girard High School boys basketball team defeated the St. Mary's Colgan Panthers Tuesday, Feb. 24 in the Ted R. Taylor Gymnasium with a nail-biter score of 57-55. The teams made it clear early in the quarter that this would be a close scoring game. Sophomore Jaxton Smith began the scoring for the Trojans and also set the tone of the back-and-forth nature of the game. The Trojans maintained a one-point lead going into the second quarter, but it didn't get easier for the team. Juniors Perrin Stevens and Ben Cullen contributed to maintaining the Trojans' lead in the second quarter.

The Panthers weren't backing down, but Girard still scored consistently with Colgan, keeping the score tight throughout. The first half wrapped up with a one-point difference in the Trojans' favor, 25-24. The Trojans lost the lead in the third quarter. Stevens, senior Adrian Newton, junior Harrison Burke, and freshman Briggs Buckingham all added Trojan buckets to extend their lead against the Panthers, but at the end of the quarter, Colgan took the lead by just one point. Although the Panthers stretched their lead to four points early in the final quarter, Girard didn't give up. Cullen had two back-to-back shots to add to the high-stress game,

and a three-point shot from junior Blake Brokob put the Trojans back in the lead for the final minutes of play. A three-pointer from Buckingham and a put-back by Cullen broke the 55-55 tie with just 4.8 seconds left to play. Cullen's bucket proved to be the last points in the game, giving the Trojans a narrow victory, 57-55. Leading in scoring was junior Ben Cullen, followed by freshman Briggs Buckingham. After the victory, coach Rod Wescott stated, "I think this shows that we're capable. The kids got it done tonight, and it was a good, hard-fought game from both teams. It was just back-and-forth, and the kids never quit tonight; they kept battling."

# Saint Paul boys basketball season ends in Hartford

BY AVA DENT  
HOMETOWN GIRARD

►► After securing a first-round win against Altoona Midway, the Saint Paul Indians quickly set their sights on the next round. They entered the semi-final game, seeded eighth, and were matched up against the number one seed in 1A DII, Hartford. Tipoff was at 2:00 pm in Hartford on Saturday, February 28th. This was a win-or-go-home game. The Hartford Jaguars ignited their opening minutes with a 7-point run before the Indians could get on the board. Eventually, Saint Paul responded. An energetic second quarter saw the Indians pushing a comeback, going into the break only down by five points. Coming out of

the locker room, the lead swung back and forth during the last half of the game. Unfortunately, despite all of their efforts, the Indians fell short. Although their record doesn't show it, the Saint Paul boys basketball team was full of promise this season. The Indians went 7-16. Among those wins were hard-fought games against the Erie Red Devils and Oswego Indians, two of the many challenging teams in the Three Rivers League, which comprises 14 schools. The Saint Paul team also displayed that they can compete with the top teams, even though they are a young team. Young players such as freshmen Bensen Aday and Malikye Hammans both saw a great deal of varsity

playing time, handling the pressure well and helping the Indians through gritty games. The lone sophomore Kingsten McRay and junior Brec Norris both scored the ball well, each producing 20-plus points in multiple games. Defensively, the only senior William Deveraux and junior Jackson Beachner crashed the boards, each averaging about five rebounds per game. The Indians are looking forward to next year. With only one senior lost, they will return the majority of their team and add some incoming freshmen. They're looking to improve their game in the off-season and return with energy and the experience they gained this year.

# Supporting wellness in the Wildcat District: Say hello to Debbie Steed

PRESS RELEASE  
K-State Research and Extension

►► My name is Debbie Steed, and I've had the privilege of working in the Wildcat District for the past five years. I recently stepped into a new role as a Health and Nutrition Program Assistant in the Independence office. In this position, I support Family and Consumer Science agents by helping implement, organize, and enhance a variety of community-focused programs. I am certified to teach the Stay Strong Stay Healthy program to our older adults, a program designed to improve strength, balance, and

overall wellness. I also have recently participated in a training on canning and food preservation, which I am personally interested in. I love spending time outdoors. Hiking and gardening are two of my favorite ways to unwind and stay connected to nature. I also cherish any time I get to spend with my family; they are a big part of what keeps me grounded and motivated. I look forward to continuing to make a positive impact on the health and well-being of individuals and families throughout the district.



For more information, please contact Debbie Steed, Health and Nutrition Program Assistant, at dsteed@ksu.edu or call 620-331-2690

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