

UPCOMING EVENTS

If you have a **free event** that is open to the public, let us know before Tuesday, 10 a.m., and it will be added to this column. Send to lswyman@hotmail.com or janet@mainstreetmedia.us, or call 620-285-3111 (by Monday, 12 noon).

Thursday, August 28
United Way of Central Kansas Chamber Coffee, 9:30 a.m., 502 Broadway

Saturday, Aug. 30 to Monday, Sept. 1
Fort Larned Labor Day Weekend with programs and activities

Thursday, September 4
LOVEKANSAS Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m., Jordaan Library, 724 Broadway

Friday, September 5
Coffee and Donut Hour at the Burdett Seniors from 9:30 to 11 a.m., sponsored by Beckwith Mortuary

Thursday, September 11
Rusty Nail Mercantile Coffee and Ribbon Cutting 418 Broadway

WORD OF THE WEEK

By JUDI TABLER

LOANWORD
(NOUN)

*a word adopted from a foreign language with little or no modification.

*Examples are:

Shampoo. Comes from the Hindi word, “champo,” which means to press, knead the muscles. At first, English speakers primarily used the word “shampoo” to in reference to massaging the body. It became commonly used to lather hair no later than 1860.

Robot. Comes from the Czech “robotnik” meaning “forced worker,” and “robota” meaning “forced labor”.

Avatar. Claims are that this word dates back to the 1992 novel “Snowcrash” by Neal Stephenson. But much earlier, it was a Hindi word meaning “descent of a Hindu deity to earth in an incarnate or tangible form.”

Tattoo. Polynesian in origin, specifically from the word “tatau” or Marquesan “tatu” both meaning “a mark on the skin.” It became common in the mid-18th century.

State Theatre Makes Goal of \$5,000, Donates to Christmas Lights for City of Larned



The State Theatre of Larned, Kansas would like to take time to thank everyone who participated in our Raffle for the Lifetime passes for the State Theatre. We made our goal of \$5,000 which was donated to the City of Larned for the new Christmas Lights for the City. I know we are all anxious to enjoy the new decorations.

The drawing was held the weekend of Santa Fe Trail Days at the State Theatre just before the movie started on Sunday, May 25. The winner of the Grand Prize of 2 Lifetime Passes was Karla Ford of Larned. The winner of the Second Place Prize of 2 One Year Passes was Tim George of Larned. Congratulations to the winners...See you at the movies.

Again, a big Thanks to all of you who participated in the raffle!

DID YOU KNOW.....That Eakin Enterprises of Larned is a multi-generational business? Chad Eakin owns and operates the business today but his father, Wendell Eakin was in the sand and gravel and construction business as was grandfather Willis Eakin.

Obituary



**John “Dean” Robeson
1949 - 2025**

John Dean Robeson, 75, of San Antonio, TX, went to be with the Lord on Saturday, July 19, 2025 at Methodist Stone Oak Hospital, after complications from a blood disorder.

He was born at home on September 30, 1949 in Vinton, IA to father, John Robeson, and mother, Kathleen.

Dean graduated from Dysart Geneseo High

School in 1968.

He and Denise (Hampton) married on December 6, 1997 in San Antonio, TX.

Dean was preceded in death by his parents and is survived by his wife, and four siblings, Victoria Williams of Cedar Falls, IA, David Robeson of Grundy Center, IA, Jane Robeson of Apopka, FL, and Randy Robeson (Debbie) of Waterloo, IA.

Dean loved the Lord and his life and in doing so, he loved his family and friends well and brought them into his happiness and joy, always with a smile.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at a later date in San Antonio.

Donations in Dean’s name can be made to Samaritan’s Purse @ samaritianspurse.org

The Four-Word Phone Scam

This common four-word phone scam could cost you hundreds or thousands of dollars. Here’s some expert advice on how to spot and avoid it.

Picture this: You answer the phone, and the caller quickly asks a yes or no question. The urgency in their voice and the simplicity of the question naturally lead you to respond immediately. In just a matter of seconds, you’ve become the victim of a four-word phone scam, and that brief exchange could cost you hundreds or thousands of dollars.



A 2024 Trucaller Insights report found that Americans collectively lost over \$25.4 billion to phone scams during the previous 12 months. “This [four-word] phone scam is particularly frightening [because] they simply rely on the human behavior of answering a quick question,” says Matthew Shirley, the vice president of client solutions at Fortalice Solutions, a cybersecurity services company. What is the four-word phone scam?

The four-word phone scam involves a recorded voice that asks, “Can you hear me?” when the victim answers the call. The phrase is designed to trick the victim into responding “yes,” while the person or computer on the other end records. The scammer can then use the recording to access the victim’s accounts; when asked to authorize log-ins, make a major purchase, or sign up for expensive services, the scammer impersonates the victim with the recorded “yes.”

On The Record

District Court
Traffic Cases

Filed 8-20. State of Kansas vs. Gerge Onger Nchoroge, Larned. Speeding 77-65). Defendant agrees to a Six Month Diversion Agreement. Fine \$57.00, Court Costs \$108.00, Diversion Fee \$100.00.

Filed 8-21. State of Kansas vs. Evan Arthur McClure. Operate a Motor Vehicle without a Valid License. Fine \$100.00.

Filed 8-21. State of Kansas vs. Antwon Dante Robinson, Kansas City, KS. Speeding (81-65). Defendant agrees to a Six Month Diversion Agreement. Fine \$81.00, Court Costs \$108.00, Diversion Fee \$150.00.

District Court
Civil Cases

Filed 8-20. Comfort Pro, Inc. vs. Anthony Boor and Alice Boor, Larned. \$887.41 plus Interest and Costs.

Filed 8-20. Pawnee Valley Community Hospital, Inc. vs. Emily Wenke, Great Bend, KS. \$1,209.18 plus Interest and Costs.

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Trail Talk

Watercolors of the Santa Fe Trail on View at the Santa Fe Trail Center

By Katie Norman, Executive Director

The Santa Fe Trail Center Museum & Research Library is honored to showcase a selection of watercolor paintings by artist Doug Holdread, on loan from the Santa Fe Trail Association (SFTA). Holdread—an artist and historical illustrator based in Trinidad, Colorado—has long been connected to the Trail’s story through his evocative scenes and maps that bring 19th-century travel to life.

Many Trail enthusiasts will recognize Holdread’s work from the commemorative calendar produced for the 175th anniversary of the Santa Fe Trail in 1996. Sponsored by the First National Bank of Trinidad, Colorado, the calendar featured 13 original watercolors—twelve Trail scenes and one illustrated map—designed to help tell the story of the Santa Fe Trail. Following the project, the bank donated the paintings to the Santa Fe Trail Association, which continues to preserve and share them.

Holdread’s career spans illustration, education, and exhibition. He began as an illustrator during his U.S. Coast Guard service and later worked as a television art director and instructor; his paintings have been shown widely, including international exhibitions. That broad experience shows in the watercolors on display—works that pair careful research with a storyteller’s touch.

We are grateful to the Santa Fe Trail Association for making this loan possible and for their partnership with us in the stewardship of Trail history. Visitors are invited to see Holdread’s paintings in our gallery now; while there’s no set closing date, the works will remain on view whenever another special exhibit is not scheduled in this space.

The Santa Fe Trail Center is located 2 miles west of Larned on Hwy K-156 and offers engaging exhibits and programs exploring the history and legacy of the Trail. For current hours and updates on rotating displays, please visit our Facebook page.

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OR
2:00 PM Tuesdays, via email for The Tiller & Toiler.

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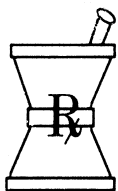
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The facility is available to rent for public meetings or parties.
Please call 620-285-3504

September 1 - 5

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Closed for Labor Day	Mexican Beef Bowl Corn on the Cob Fruit Fling Tortilla Chips	BLT Sandwich Cottage Cheese Fresh Broccoli & Cauliflower w/Ranch Fruit Cup
THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
Tilapia Scalloped Potatoes Cooked Carrots Fruit Cobbler Dinner Roll	Hamburger w/Lettuce & Tomato Chips Carrot & Raisin Salad Ice Cream	

We have home-bound meals for those unable to get out



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