

SHERIFF'S LOG

Nov. 4
Four motor vehicle accidents with animal
Follow up activity
Animal call

Nov. 5
Three motor vehicle accidents with animal

Nov. 6
Gunshots/non-injury shooting
Contact with public

Nov. 7
Motor vehicle accident-personal injury
Theft
Three VIN inspections
Contact with public

Nov. 8
Three domestic disturbances
Unknown trouble
Two contacts with public
Motor vehicle accident with animal

Nov. 9
Motor vehicle accident
Animal call
VIN inspections
Traffic control

Nov. 10
Two animal calls
Document service
VIN inspection
FYI-For your information
Traffic stop
Cattle out

Nov. 11
Suicidal subject
Two animal calls
VIN inspection
Unknown trouble

Nov. 12
Animal call
Two motor vehicle accidents with animal

Nov. 13
Fireworks violation
Fire
Traffic control
Disturbance-noise

Nov. 14
Four motor vehicle accidents with animal
Finger prints
Contact with public
Traffic stop

Nov. 15
Three VIN inspections
Theft
Three traffic stops
Two motor vehicle accidents with animal
Welfare check
Animal call
Cattle out
FYI-For your information

Nov. 16
Finger prints
Motor vehicle accident
Traffic stop
Animal call

Nov. 17
Two reports
Two motor vehicle accidents with animal
Traffic/driving complaint
Two VIN inspections
Motor vehicle accident
Attempt to locate

Nov. 18
Prisoner transportation
Creating a hazard
Traffic control

Nov. 19
Injury w/weapon
Animal call

Nov. 20
Animal call
Traffic stop
Gunshots/non-injury shooting
Motor vehicle accident with animal

Nov. 21
Stolen property
Traffic control
Two VIN inspections
Finger prints
Animal call
Reckless driver

Nov. 22
Three motor vehicle accidents with animal
Criminal damage to property
VIN inspection
Animal call
Traffic control

Nov. 23
Two VIN inspections
Prisoner transportation
Motor vehicle accident with animal
Reckless driver
Motor vehicle accident

Nov. 24
Domestic disturbance
Two motor vehicle accidents with animal
Suspicious activity

Nov. 25
Inmate appointment
Motor vehicle accident with animal
Reckless driver
Juvenile complaint
Assist-other (not MV)

Nov. 27
Motor vehicle accident
Traffic stop

Nov. 28
Motor vehicle accident with animal
Two VIN inspections
Prisoner transportation

Nov. 30
Motor vehicle accident
Criminal trespass
Motor vehicle accident with animal
Disabled vehicle
Suspicious activity
Animal call

Christmas spirit abounds



The Eisenhower Elementary School presented their "I Love Christmas" concert Monday night. The fifth and sixth grade bands, under the direction of Don Mordecai, started the evening off with several holiday selections, playing four songs each. Vocal Director Joyce Morel then led the first through sixth grade classes through several

popular Christmas tunes. Multiple students gathered up their courage for solo parts, either speaking or singing. It was a great way for everyone in attendance to get into the Christmas spirit.

- Telegram photo by Dana Paxton

Use caution when giving gift cards

With Christmas just a few days away, many of us will be searching for that perfect last-minute gift. For some of those hard-to-buy-for people on our lists, gift cards can seem like the perfect solution.

But know some tips and rules about gift cards to protect yourself and the gift recipient. Here are a few things you should know:

Under Kansas law, gift cards cannot expire for at least five years. If the gift card does not have an expiration date on it, then it is good until you redeem it, no matter how long that is.

Merchants can begin charging inactivity fees against the card's balance 12 months after the card is issued. These fees are required to be printed on the card or the packaging it comes in.

Pre-paid bank cards - the ones that are issued by a bank or credit card company, not by a specific store - can, and usually do, charge additional fees for purchasing the card, and on the balance.

Be aware that even with legal protections in place, the value of a gift card may be lost if the store goes out of business before the card is used.

When buying a gift card, try to be sure it is from a store the person will use. Make sure to buy gift cards from a reputable source - such as from the store itself. There are a number of online auction sites and gift card dealers, which offer cards at a discounted price, but you should always use caution when buying cards this way. There have been reports of many cards sold on these sites being counterfeit or otherwise not working when they are received.

Be sure to include the original receipts with the card. This will help the recipient replace the card if it is lost or stolen.

If you are the recipient of a card, you should use the card as soon as you can to avoid expiration dates, inactivity fees or the possibility the card gets lost. Many retailers will allow you to register your cards online, which will protect your balance and help

you replace the card if it is lost or stolen.

If you happen to receive a card for a place you do not shop, it is unlikely that the retailer will let you exchange your card for cash. However, there are websites that allow you to sell or exchange your gift cards. Again, use caution when dealing with these online sites to be sure you don't become a victim of fraud. You can also donate your unwanted gift cards to a local charity, especially cards for grocery, clothing or department stores.

For more consumer tips or to file a complaint, visit our website at www.ksag.org or call 1-800-432-2310.

Call Mike with all your social news.
877-3361

SCHOOL CALENDAR

NCHS
Monday, Dec. 26 through Friday, Dec. 30
No school--winter break

Northern Valley
Monday, Dec. 26 through Friday, Dec. 30
No school--winter break

Thursday, Dec. 29 through Saturday, Dec. 31
"C" Basketball Tournament at Hill City, TBA

NIHS
Monday, Dec. 26 through Friday, Dec. 30
No school--winter break

EES
Monday, Dec. 26 through

Friday, Dec. 30
No school--winter break

Monday, Dec. 26 through Friday, Dec. 30
No school--winter break

Thursday, Dec. 29 through Saturday, Dec. 31
HS cheerleading and dance team practice, TBA

Thursday, Dec. 29 through Saturday, Dec. 31
HS BB C-team tournament at Hill City, TBA

Carbon monoxide is the invisible winter hazard

With colder weather, comes an increase in the number of fuel-burning appliances being used in the home. These appliances include furnaces, ovens, space heaters, generators, indoor grills and fireplaces, and they can cause dangerous levels of carbon monoxide to build up in the home.

According to a study from 2004 to 2006, children younger than five years old have the highest estimated rate of carbon monoxide related visits to the emergency room each year among all age groups in the U.S. Nationally, more than 25 kids die from carbon monoxide poisoning every year.

Important safety tips to protect families from poisoning:

-Prevent buildup in the first place - make sure heating appliances are in good working order and used only in well-ventilated areas.

-Don't run a car engine in the garage, even with the garage doors open. If you need to warm up your vehicle, move it outside first.

-Install a carbon monoxide alarm outside every sleeping

area, on every level of your home and at least 15 feet away from every fuel-burning appliance.

-When you check your smoke alarm batteries each month, check the batteries on your carbon monoxide alarms at the same time - and replace the batteries twice a year.

-Never use an oven for heating living spaces.

-Portable generators must be used outside for proper ventilation. They cannot be used indoors or inside of a garage.

-Have all gas, oil or coal burning appliances inspected by a technician every year to ensure they're working correctly and are properly ventilated.

If more than one person in the home suddenly feels ill for no apparent reason, or if a carbon monoxide alarm goes off, get everyone outside immediately and call 911 from a pre-arranged meeting place.

For more information about poisoning, visit www.safekids.org and www.safekidskansas.org, or call the Poison Control Hotline at (800) 222-1222.

We Wish You a Merry Christmas!

Merry Christmas from the staff at Engel's Sales and Service

Pictured from left, front row: Brett Gallentine, Chad Husted, Jason Davis, Greg Engel, Chad Engel, Jeremiah Stark, back row: Shane Now, Don Jones, Jeff Spradlin, Amanda Schellhammer, Sandy Kincaid, Leon Stromer, and Raymond Rojas

Merry Christmas from the employees of the United Northwest Federal Credit Union

Pictured from left, front row: Keasha Daultoft, Denise Bailey, Alyssa Farber, back row: Lori Dusecher, Pam Post, Kendra Baker, Brighton Shields, Tammy Brungardt, and Shelly Smith

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

from the Lawson Auto Body Family to Yours
Dillon, Peyton and Damian

Merry Christmas
Bunny, Grandsue and Margarita, Uncle Hutch, Aunt Jennifer and Daddy

from Shylo, Althea and Wiyanna
WE LOVE YOU!