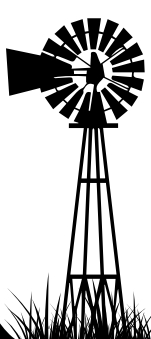


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Weather



DATE	HI	LOW	MT
28	75	38	0
29	53	20	0
30	49	21	0
Dec 1	52	21	0
2	60	19	0
3	63	23	0
4	55	26	0

November total moisture was .22. Total snow for November was 1.6"
Observations: Wind - 38 MPH on Nov. 28; 31 MPH on Nov. 29; 26 MPH on Nov. 30; 18 MPH on Dec. 1; 25 MPH on Dec. 2; 26 MPH on Dec. 4.

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McPherson County High School One-Act Team Headed To State Competition!

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32-year mail carrier retires



MARCIA HORA PHOTOS

Stapleton Postmaster Judy Mulligan, left, presents Marian Lanka with a certificate of appreciation for 32 years of service as the HC 2 rural mail carrier.

It was a hard decision for Marian Lanka to make, but the HC 2 rural mail carrier drove her mail route for the last time Saturday, November 25.

After 32 years of carrying the mail, 110 miles a day, three days a week, Lanka said she felt it was time to move on.

"When I first started carrying this route, there were a lot more boxes and more miles," Lanka added. "I have really enjoyed my mail route because it got me out in the hills that I love and where I raised my family. The people I've worked with here at the post office couldn't have been better. It has been good getting to know each one of my patrons on a personal basis. I've enjoyed knowing them and appreciated how they looked out for me in bad weather. I always called my son, Rex, from the route to let him know how far I'd gone."

Lanka received a certificate of appreciation from Stapleton Postmaster Judy Mulligan. Lanka said she has been a carrier under Gary Reynolds, Nina (Griffiths) Harms, Mary Pedersen and now Judy Mulligan, along with interim postmasters.

Lanka said two bad days stick out in her mind. She sat on ice for four hours and got stuck in a pile of snow at an autogate.

"There is no cell phone service on my route unless you get on a hill, so it was good to know people were watching out for me."

Lanka was in the post office on Monday, November 27, helping B.J. Puttergill, the new HC 2 mail carrier, become familiar with her new duties. Puttergill, who lives nine miles north and four miles east of



B.J. Puttergill is the new HC 2 mail carrier. She was on the job for her first day at the post office, Monday, November 27.

Tryon, has been a regular substitute carrier and comes with postal experience.

Postmaster Mulligan said there will be a change on the HC 2 route. Patrons will now receive their mail on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, instead of the current Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday schedule.

Lanka said she will help her daughter, Diane Wonch, with Diane's school in Gandy three days a week. She also helps with Awana at the Gandy Community Bible Church on Wednesday evenings.

"I'll stay busy," Lanka said with assurance. "I've been praying about it and know there will be new opportunities opening up for me where I can help out where needed."

Just in time for the holidays



MARCIA HORA PHOTO

Ani Trimble, left, samples "goodies" at the exchange held November 30, at the Logan County Library. Librarian, Kathy Trimble, serves as hostess. Read all of the upcoming events and "Reading Rocks" winners in Trimble's column on page 12.

National Honor Society conducts successful food drive



COURTESY PHOTO

Kaylee Burnside, Tammie Gaites, and Nikki Boyer, put together food baskets at the Stapleton Cooperative Market & Deli for the Stapleton High School National Honor Society's Thanksgiving food drive.

Stapleton High School's National Honor Society conducted a successful Thanksgiving food drive with food baskets being distributed throughout the Stapleton community.

Under the theme, "Together We Can Do More," students collected 1,158 items of canned goods and non-perishable items. The Stapleton Area Chamber of Commerce donated \$200.00 on an account at the Stapleton Cooperative Market & Deli and others added to this amount to purchase hams and turkeys for the baskets. Donations were also accepted at the market and excess items were taken to the Arnold Food Pantry for distribution to families in need there. The Arnold Food Pantry also serves Logan County residents.

Winning the food drive collection contest were students in the second grade, collecting 105 items; seventh graders, collecting 197 items, and sophomores bringing in 88 items.

A look at items collected by other classes:

Pre-Kindergarten: 49 items.

Kindergarten: 103 items.

First Grade: 27 items.

Third Grade: 81 items.

Fourth Grade: 85 items.

Fifth Grade: 172 items.

Sixth Grade: 130 items.

Eighth Grade: 22 items.

Freshmen: 19 items.

Juniors: 49 items.

Seniors: 31 items.

The National Honor Society thanks everyone for their contributions in making the food drive such a success!

Fair & Rodeo dates announced

The Logan County Ag Society has announced that the fair and rodeo will not move up a week. Fairboard members appreciate the input they have received and are announcing the 2018 Logan County Fair & Rodeo will be August 15-19.

Local resident continues to "roll up her sleeve"



MARCIA HORA PHOTO

Local resident, Charlene Walz, rolled up her sleeve for the 174th time at the Red Cross Bloodmobile held at the Stapleton Community Center, Tuesday, November 28. Charlene has now donated 21.75 gallons. Coordinator, Bea Gaites, said there were 17 presenting (two doubles) with 18 viable units collected, just three short of the goal. "Thank you to St. John's Altar Society for providing sandwiches, and to all who took time out of their busy schedules to donate," Gaites said. Be watching for information about the next bloodmobile coming to Stapleton in January.