



City Clips



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* * * Mayor's Musings * * *

The street project has been an unending nightmare and it is still not over. I apologize for all the problems we have had in spite of all the time and effort on my part and that of the council to keep it on track and running smoothly.

In City Clips last quarter I said I was finished talking about the water project. Since I've had some questions about various things I will address it one more time.

We are now in compliance with the allowed nitrate levels. Although it is not zero (like what comes out of your RO system) it meets the requirements of the KDHE and the EPA. The only thing we did was reduce the nitrate levels to meet the standards.

Some people have voiced concern about the taste of the water. The new treatment system would not have changed the taste. However, if your water tastes differently than it did coming from the RO system it is because the RO system removed other impurities besides nitrates.

For those of you who were provided an RO system by the city, as indicated in an email and other publications, the system now belongs to you and it will be your responsibility to maintain the unit, should you elect to keep it. Contact Steve Larsh for filter changes. His telephone number is: 831-252-0749.

We replaced some water lines with larger pipe, changed out some fire hydrants and added some more shut-off valves. The new valves were installed to sectionalize parts of the city to minimize the number of customers that have to be shut down at one time.

With this work some rust and dirt has been broken loose and may have stopped up some of your water softeners, faucets and showerheads. We think we have all the lines flushed out but if you are still getting rusty water, let us know and we will correct the problem.

Robert Ellis

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PARK RESTROOMS
WILL BE UNLOCKED
11:30 A.M.

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY
AND WILL BE LOCKED EACH WEEK DAY AFTER THE
WADING POOL CLOSES.

IF RESTROOMS ARE NEEDED
FOR AN EVENT
PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY OFFICE
24 HOURS IN ADVANCE.

Keep Streets Clean

When mowing grass, raking leaves, trimming bushes, please don't allow grass clippings, leaves, etc. to end up in the street. These items will find their way into the storm sewer and often cause clogs. Thank you for your help with this.

Siren Testing

Kiowa County will be testing the storm sirens every Saturday at 12:30 p.m. for 30 seconds, except as follows:

- A Severe thunderstorm or tornado watch or warning is in effect at the time of the test, or has been in effect within six hours preceding the time of the test.
- Severe weather is forecast for any period up to 6:00 p.m. the day of the test.

Automatic Water Payment

The City has an agreement with Haviland State Bank so that you can authorize payment of your water/sewer/trash utility bill through a checking or savings account. This is a free service to our customers. You can bank anywhere in the country and take advantage of this service. If interested, call or e-mail the office, and the form will be sent to you.

Email Addresses

Please send us your e-mail address so that notifications about the current newsletter and other City notices and information can be sent to you electronically. This really cuts down on the cost of postage and paper. Send your request by an email to cityhall@haviglandtelco.com.

CITY COUNCIL MEETS THE 2ND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM UNLESS OTHERWISE POSTED. PUBLIC WELCOME!

Local Haviland Weather

Did you know that you could find out Haviland weather by just dialing a local number? That number is 862-6000. It will tell you the time, temperature, humidity, wind, wind chill, precipitation for the day, and barometric pressure. Try it out!

City of Haviland
620-862-5317
cityhall@haviglandtelco.com

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published quarterly
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the benefit of
our customers.

If you have questions, concerns, complaints, anything that warrants the council's attention, please call the City Office at 620-862-5317 or email cityhall@haviglandtelco.com. For water or sewer emergencies, call Pake McCarley at 620-770-6046. If you plan to do any digging, call 1-800-DIG-SAFE (344-7233) before you dig.

CITY OF HAVILAND

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Council Members

Dwight Smitherman Matt Ballard

Kay Unruh Steve Larsh

Tom Taylor

Personnel

Pake McCarley, City Superintendent

Shari McAfee, City Clerk

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Joel Halverstadt, Code/Animal

Enforcement Officer



If I studied all my life, I couldn't think up half the number of funny things passed in one session of congress. ~ Will Rogers



"J" Turns

"J" turns continue to be a problem on Main Street. There are double yellow lines and NO J TURN signs on the first and second blocks of north Main Street. These were added to keep people from making "J" turns in front of businesses, and also from making "J" turns when backing out of a parking space. Both turns are dangerous to traffic and pedestrians. With addition of the signs, you can be ticketed. Please use caution, obey the signs, and stop making "J" turns.

Nisly Trash Service

Weekly trash is picked up on Wednesday - carts out by 6:00 a.m.

Recycling is the 4th Wednesday of each month and is free - carts should be out by 8:00 a.m.

If you have both trash and recycling, the carts need to be placed at least five feet apart, and not put next to a vehicle or any other obstacle. Do not leave emptied carts on the street.

If your trash or recycling is not collected, please call or email the office as soon as possible. Leave a phone message if calling before 10:00 a.m.

Nisly is closed on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. When the holiday falls on a weekday, service will be delayed one day for the remainder of the week. Please mark your calendars!

Recycle

The Kiowa County Solid Waste Department now has three recycle bins located behind Haviland Care Center 24/7; two for cardboard and the other for single stream. **THIS IS FOR RECYCLE ITEMS ONLY, NO TRASH!**

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Down Memory Lane...

By Eva Ellis

In 1932, Howard Ellis went to Wichita to apply for the job of running the Standard Oil Station (then located where the old Fire Station is today).

There were about 60 applicants from all over the state and Howard received the job because he had a high school diploma.

He worked at this job for seven years. His pay was \$101 per month and he had to pay his helper out of that.

One day a man from off the highway came into the station to get in out of the cold and rain. Howard gave him enough money to get something to eat. We heard later that this man had gone on to Greensburg and robbed several businesses there.

Howard always felt that the stranger had planned to rob the station, but because he was kind to him and gave him some money for food, the would-be thief changed his mind.

Editor's Note: Robert Ellis is the son of Howard and Eva.

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"Politics is more dangerous than war, for in war you are only killed once."
~ Winston Churchill

Mini Minutes

Complete minutes at www.havilandks.com

April 11, 2016

Community Garden – Unruh motioned that the city provide free water for the 2016 community garden. Smitherman seconded. Unanimous.

Haviland Heritage Foundation – Unruh motioned that the city sponsor the Haviland Heritage Foundation. Larsh seconded. Unanimous.

Street Project – Smitherman motioned to approve the summary of what needs to be done to correct the deficiencies in the street project, with no deviation. All parties must sign a document. Ballard seconded. Unanimous.

Water Project – Ballard motioned to approve APAC Well Improvements Pay Estimate No. 6 in the amount of \$6,336.03. Larsh seconded. Unanimous. Smitherman motioned to approve APAC Water Treatment Plant Pay Estimate No. 6 in the amount of \$133,773.92. Taylor seconded. Unanimous.

Ordinance No. 367 – Elections – Smitherman motioned to pass Ordinance No. 367 regarding elections. Taylor seconded. Unanimous.

Deposits – Taylor motioned to refund all deposits to customers. Unruh seconded. Unanimous.

May 9, 2016

Summer Food Program – Unruh motioned to approve the use of the park shelter house for the Kansas Summer Food Bank. Smitherman seconded. Unanimous.

Water Project – Taylor motioned to approve APAC Well Improvements Pay Estimate No. 7 in the amount of \$35,975.56. Ballard seconded. Unanimous. Larsh motioned to approve APAC Treatment Plant Pay Estimate No. 7 in the amount of \$87,854.55. Unruh seconded. Unanimous.

June 13, 2016

A quorum was not present, so there was no meeting.

June 16, 2016 Special

Smitherman motioned to approve APAC Well Improvements Pay Estimate No. 8 in the amount of \$26,275.10, APAC Treatment Plant Pay Estimate No. 8 in the amount of \$12,860.74, Krudico, Inc. Equipment Final Pay Estimate No. 5 in the amount of \$16,223.00, Krudico, Inc. Certificate of Substantial Completion, and Krudico, Inc. Change Order No. 01. Larsh seconded. Unanimous.



Cannot Tell a Lie

A little boy was growing up on his parent's farm located far outside of town. He loved everything about rural life, except for having to use an outhouse. It was cold in the winter, hot in the summer, and scary at night.

The outhouse stood on the bank of a stream. One afternoon, the boy decided to get rid of the offending structure by pushing it into the water. Since there had been heavy rain the day before, the stream was swollen, and the boy figured the outhouse would not have far to go if he gave it a few shoves in the right direction. So he shoved, and the outhouse tipped, rolled into the stream, and drifted away in the current.

That evening, his dad came into the boy's room and sat down. "Son," he said sternly. "It seems that someone pushed the outhouse into the stream this afternoon. Was it by any chance you?" Meekly, the boy nodded assent. He thought a moment, and then added, "You know, Dad, when George Washington chopped down the cherry tree, he wasn't punished because he admitted what he did."

"Yes, son, but George Washington's father wasn't in the cherry tree."



**** Clips From the Past ***

Girardy-Woodard Mercantile Co. have their new light plant installed now and you can go evenings and look at their stock without taking a lantern with you. There is one lamp in front over the sidewalk that sheds light for a block in every direction.

This week Frank Parker began construction of a 25'-front cement building south of the railroad track on the west side of Main Street. The building will be used for a general store, and we understand, has been leased to a Wichita man. Everybody is pleased to have a new cement store building and also pleased with the investment of capital in the town. Haviland needs new business buildings to keep pace with the rapidly growing business part of town.

Bryant Bros. Moved a store building from Wellsford this week and will use it as a garage, locating it on the lot facing north, just back of Fankhauser's store.

The German Lutherans will hold services in the Methodist Church in this city next Sunday afternoon at 2:00 p.m.

Haviland Onlooker
January 1, 1909

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The Country Club Hotel opened for business Monday May 1. The price of meals will be 35¢.

Rhoda Swafford
Haviland Onlooker
April 13, 1916

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Girls! Girls! Girls! Don't forget that this is leap year and Grover Meisel has just purchased a sparkling new Ford.

Haviland Onlooker
June 29, 2016

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Marshal W.A. Corrigan had a young woman in jail Sunday for the prohibition act. She was taken to the jail at Pratt on Monday.

Haviland Review
April 23, 1925

Work on Haviland's new school building is progressing very well. A good force of men is at work and the cement work on the basement is nearly completed and will soon be ready for the masons.

Haviland Onlooker
July 26, 1912

The new schoolhouse is nearing completion and in order to finish and equip it, it will be necessary to vote \$5,000.00 more bonds making \$20,000.00 in bonds the total issue.

Some are making the statement that we are building larger than is necessary and running up the expense unduly. It is true that the building is larger than necessary now, but we are planning for the future.

Haviland Onlooker
September 13, 1912

The bricklayers expect to finish work on the new schoolhouse this week. This building is reported to be the finest of its kind in any town of this size in the state and will stand for many years a monument to the enterprise and foresight of this generation.

Haviland Onlooker
October 1912

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The first issue of the Haviland Review was printed on August 7, 1919. The printing plant had been removed from Rockville, MO, by Geo. N. Harvey, and was published for a year as successor to the Rockville Review because a newspaper in Kansas must have been published fifty-two successive issues before it may publish legal advertising. This perhaps explains why it was not called the Onlooker, the former Haviland paper. The Onlooker had burned a year or two before after having been published for nearly twenty years.

Haviland Review
August 7, 1919

Dorsey Baer seemed to be acting mysteriously, and the only thing that would explain his actions was that he would be married in the near future.

Haviland Review
August 14, 1919

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It is reported some of the wheat southeast of Wellsford is so heavy that they are cutting but 65 acres a week.

Haviland Onlooker
July 18, 1903

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The neighbors are afraid to look at each other for fear of catching the mumps.

Haviland Onlooker
February 10, 1905

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The other day Chic Ballard came to town in his Ford that he has had since 1917—just seven years old. The old boat was making so much racket that Chic decided he would have to have it overhauled or it would just naturally fall to staves with him. In all that seven years the old wagon had never been overhauled or had any new parts put on it except a front spring and a radiator. Chic thought that if she had run that long and had cost that much for repairs he was not going to pay out any more on her, so he went down and bought a new one. He says if this one doesn't beat the old one he may have to buy a new one in six years this time.

Haviland Review
July 3, 1924

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Two young men, Earl Williams and Herman Davis, were arrested Saturday for using profane language in the barbershop on a warrant sworn out by J.M. Toadvine. They were brought up before Judge Crebs and given his favorite prescription of \$5.00 and costs, which amounted to \$6.40. Both fines were paid.

Haviland Onlooker, March 1912

Nitrate Quarterly Report

**THE
CITY OF HAVILAND
IS
NOW IN COMPLIANCE
WITH
KDHE AND EPA
(KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY)
REGARDING
THE LEVEL OF NITRATES
IN
THE DRINKING WATER!**

Public Agenda Items

If you have a request or concern and would like to be included on the council agenda, please submit a written request ten (10) days prior to the meeting you want to attend. Meetings are the second Monday of each month.

MAIN STREET BUSINESS DISTRICT 20 MPH SPEED LIMIT

Please comply with the posted speed limit on Main Street. Driving over the limit is a danger to pedestrians and other drivers.

******* PLEASE SLOW DOWN! *******

Nisly Excessively Windy Day Suggestions

1. Place a brick or short board on top of the trash and/or recycle cart lid. It will fall off when the cart is lifted, or
2. Face the front of the cart away from the wind. While a little more difficult for the driver, he can still grab and lift the cart.

* * * R/O WATER AT THE FIRE STATION * * *

**WHEN GETTING WATER, PLEASE PARK DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF THE R/O STATION.
DO NOT PARK IN FRONT OF OR BLOCK THE FIRE STATION DOORS!!!**

THE BURN PILE LOCATED AT THE DISPOSAL PLANT IS FOR BRUSH AND LIMBS ONLY! WHOLE TREES NEED TO BE CLEANED OF DIRT, ROCKS, ETC. BEFORE BRINGING TO THE PILE. ABSOLUTELY NO HOUSEHOLD TRASH, CONSTRUCTION TRASH, METAL, APPLIANCES, CONCRETE, CARPET, DIRT, ROCKS, ETC.! THIS SITE IS ROUTINELY INSPECTED BY THE STATE AND MISUSE COULD RESULT IN THE LOSS OF OUR PERMIT. THANK YOU.

City Utility Bill

Your city utility bill is mailed on the last working day of the month and due on the 20th of each month. Delinquent notices are sent on the 21st. Delinquent bills are charged a 10% penalty on the unpaid balance. Service will be terminated if payment or payment arrangements are not made within seven (7) days. A reconnect fee of \$25.00 will be assessed if service is interrupted.

Code Enforcement Officer

Joel Halverstadt is the Code and Animal Enforcement Officer for the City of Haviland. If you have a complaint, a concern, or see dogs or cats running loose, please call Joel at 620-388-5634.

Ordinance No. 367

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE TERMS OF OFFICE OF ELECTED OFFICERS, THE TRANSITION OF THOSE TERMS TO THE NOVEMBER ELECTION CYCLE, AND NOMINATION PETITION REQUIREMENTS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF HAVILAND, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. The governing body consists of a mayor and five council members. The mayor and council members shall be residents and qualified electors of the City of Haviland, Kansas.

SECTION 2. (a) General elections shall take place on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in November 2017. Succeeding elections will be held every two years for all such governing body positions whose terms have expired. A mayor and two council members shall be elected at one election, and the remaining three council members shall be elected at the succeeding election. The mayor and all council members shall have four-year terms.

(b) Those positions that would have expired in April 2017 shall expire on the second Monday in January 2018, when the city official elected in the November 2017 general election takes office. The position of Mayor, which would have expired in April 2017, shall expire on the second Monday in January of 2018, when the Mayor elected in the November 2017 general election takes office.

SECTION 3. All elections for the City of Haviland, Kansas shall be nonpartisan.

SECTION 4. In accordance with K.S.A. 25-205, and amendments thereto, any person may become a candidate for city office elected at large by having had filed on their behalf, a nomination petition or a declaration of candidacy, accompanied by any fee required by law. The nomination petition must be signed by twenty-five (25) of the qualified electors of the City of Haviland.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect immediately following its adoption and publication as provided by law in the official city newspaper.

Passed by the City Council this 11th day of April 2016.



Age Happens

A customer at a garden shop said to the cashier, "I'd like four of those pink flamingos, two giant pinwheels, three spinning sunflowers, one gnome and one of those bent-over grannies in bloomers for my yard."

The cashier responded, "That'll be \$20 for the flamingos, \$10 for the pinwheels, \$21 for the spinning sunflowers, \$19.95 for the garden gnome and an apology for my wife!"



“Haviland Happenings”

Because various local events across the years make interesting reading, the following have been selected from a variety of printed records.

1947-1956

1947: A barracks building from Pratt Air Base became the FBC (now Barclay College) men’s dorm.

1948: The Junior Pollyanna Club, the FBC Junior Auxiliary and a Boy Scout troop were organized.

1949: Howard Ellis bought the Haviland Telephone Co. from Vern Davis; Phillips Hall was erected at FBC; the Breakfast in Hollywood radio show came to Haviland; Nelle Spain became the only woman manager of a grain elevator in Kansas at that time; a certain city clerk was born.

1950: The Haviland Journal began publication with Ethyle Ballard as editor and general manager; the Explorer Post was organized for older Boy Scouts; Bill Bryant retired after 50 years of business locally.

1951: Smitherman TV began as a hobby and sideline; rail and highway traffic was stopped for parts of two days after a tractor trailer carrying 105mm shells caught fire and they exploded.

1953: The first REA loan in Kansas was made to Howard Ellis for improved telephone service; Haviland State Bank observed its 50-year celebration; the current grade school was built; Siesta Homes of Haviland had their beginning when Mr. and Mrs. Carl Young remodeled the home of Dr. Bennett; the Farmers Co-op built its first concrete elevator; the Farmerettes was organized; the Cub Scouts received a charter; the bank adopted the sod church as the symbol on its checks and statement sheets.

1954: The American Legion bought the Main Street building used as a school lunchroom and remodeled it using donated labor; an addition was built to the north of Siesta Home #1 to accommodate 20 more patients; the Ford memorial nursing home was opened with 12 private rooms after remodeling the Fleener Mortuary building; FBC bought the old grade school building to use for classrooms.

1955: Highway 54 was routed two blocks to the south of the old Cannonball Trail, causing businesses along the old highway to relocate; a seven-tank annex was connected to the concrete elevator of the Co-op; the Junior SOS was formed.

1956: The town celebrated a double anniversary--70 years since its town charter and 50 years since its incorporation; the Haviland Fruit Market moved into its new building at Main and Walnut; the Ground Observer Corps went into active duty; population was 582.

Haviland Junk Day Great Success

Haviland community’s Junk Rally day was a great success. Everybody turned out with a will. All business houses and schools were closed and the farmers left their fields and housewives their work and came to town but not empty handed as the 65 tons of scrap bear witness. The articles brought in ran all the way from bolts to a 5-ton steam boiler, auto chasses, iron beds, tractors and as sale bills say, many other items too numerous to mention.

The ladies of the Park and Garden Club who served lunch in the school lunchroom did a land office business.

While it would seem there could not possibly be another bit of scrap uncollected in this part of the county, machinery is continually wearing out and there will be a need of scrap to the end of the war.

The Haviland Onlooker, October 1, 1942



How Many Students Does It Take to Change a Light bulb at...

Vanderbilt: Two - one to call the electrician and one to call daddy to pay the bill.

Princeton: Two - one to mix the martinis and one to call the electrician

Brown: Eleven - one to change the light bulb and ten to share the experience.

Dartmouth: None - the city of Hanover doesn’t have electricity.

Cornell: Two - one to change the light bulb and one to crack under the pressure.

Penn: Only one, but he gets six credits for it.

Columbia: Seventy-six - one to change the light bulb, fifty to protest the light bulb’s right to not change, and twenty-five to hold a counter protest.

Yale: None - New Haven looks better in the dark.

Harvard: One - he holds the bulb and the world revolves around him.

MIT: Five - one to design a nuclear powered one that never needs changing, one to figure out how to power the rest of Boston using that naked light bulb, two to install it, and one to write the computer program that controls the wall switch.

Stanford: One, dude.

Duke: A whole frat - but only one of them is sober enough to get the bulb out of the socket.

Swarthmore: Eight - it’s not that one isn’t smart enough to do it, it’s just that they’re all violently twitching from too much stress.

Colgate: Fourteen - one to change the bulb and a 13-person acapella group to immortalize the event in song.

Virginia: Three - one to change the bulb, one to hold the keg he’s standing on, and another to attribute electricity to Mr. Jefferson.



Trivia – Useful and Otherwise

Famous Coincidences

The Civil War began in Wilmer McLean’s front yard...and ended in his front parlor. In the summer of 1861, Wilmer McLean and his family were living on his wife’s plantation near Manassas Junction, Virginia. As Union forces approached, Confederate General P.G.T. Beauregard took over the farm as his headquarters. On July 21, 1861, Confederate and Union troops clashed in the first major battle of the Civil War along the small stream known as Bull Run, which ran through McLean’s property. A second major battle—the Second Battle of Bull Run—took place on the same ground in August 1862.

By the end of 1863, McLean and his family had relocated to the small hamlet of Appomattox Court House, some 120 miles southwest of Manassas Junction. McLean, who supplies sugar to the Confederate Army, was in Appomattox on April 9, 1865, when Confederate Colonel Charles Marshal approached him for assistance finding a suitable place to host a meeting between General Robert E. Lee and his Union counterpart, Ulysses S. Grant. That afternoon, Lee surrendered his Army of Northern Virginia to Grant in McLean’s parlor, which Union troops later stripped for mementoes of the historic occasion. McLean put the “Surrender House” on the market a year later. He wanted to return to Manassas, which he did in 1867, though he never sold the Appomattox house. Instead, he defaulted on the property, and it was sold at public auction in 1869. Now operated by the National Park Service, the McLean Home opened to the public in 1949.

Things You Didn’t Know About the Old West

Failed bandit Elmer McCurdy’s corpse had a more interesting life than the man did. In 1911, Elmer McCurdy mistakenly robbed a passenger train he thought contained thousands of dollars. The disappointed outlaw made off with just \$46 and was shot by lawmen shortly thereafter. McCurdy’s unclaimed corpse was then embalmed with an arsenic preparation, sold by the undertaker to a traveling carnival and exhibited as a sideshow curiosity. For about 60 years, McCurdy’s body was bought and sold by various haunted houses and wax museums for use as a prop or attraction. His corpse finally wound up in a Long Beach, California amusement park funhouse. During filming there in 1976 for the television show “The Six Million Dollar Man,” the prop’s finger (or arm, depending on the account) broke off, revealing human tissue. Subsequent testing by the Los Angeles coroner’s office revealed the prop was actually McCurdy. He was buried at the famous Boot Hill cemetery in Dodge City, Kansas, 66 years after his death.

Historical Figures You Didn’t Know Were Inventors

Abraham Lincoln – Thomas Jefferson usually gets credited as America’s inventor-in-chief, but Abraham Lincoln is the only president to hold a U.S. patent. In 1849, shortly after the end of his lone term as a U.S. congressman, the Great Emancipator was issued U.S. Patent No. 6,469 for a device for “Buoying Vessels Over Shoals.” Lincoln had come up with the idea a year earlier after watching crewmen try to free a steamboat that had run aground on the Detroit River. Upon returning home to Illinois, he drew up plans for a pair of buoyant air changers that could be attached to the sides of a boat and used to lift the vessel over shallow sections of river. Lincoln spent several weeks writing a description of the device and even built a scale wooden model, but while he received his patent, the invention was never put to use.

Common Sayings With Historical Origins

“Read the riot act” – These days, angry parents might threaten to “read the riot act” to their unruly children. But in 18th-century England, the Riot Act was a very real document, and it was often recited aloud to angry mobs. Instituted in 1715, the Riot Act gave the British government the authority to label any group of more than 12 people a threat to the peace. In these circumstances, a public official would read a small portion of the Riot Act and order the people to “disperse themselves, and peaceably depart to their habitations.” The law was later put to the test in 1819 during the infamous Peterloo Massacre, in which a cavalry unit attacked a large group of protestors after they appeared to ignore a reading of the Riot Act.

Things You May Not Know About the Pony Express

The Pony Express was more than twice as fast as its competitors. – In the mid-19th century, California-bound mail had to either be taken overland by a 25-day stagecoach or spend months inside a ship during a long sea voyage. The Pony Express, meanwhile, had an average delivery time of just 10 days. To achieve this remarkable speed, company owners William H. Russell, William B. Waddell and Alexander Majors set up a string of nearly 200 relief stations across what is now Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada and California. Lone horsemen would ride between stations at breakneck pace, switching mounts every 10-15 miles and then handing their cargo off to a new courier after 75-100 miles. The relay system allowed mail to crisscross the frontier in record time. The company’s personal best came in March 1861, when riders carried Abraham Lincoln’s first inaugural address from Nebraska to California in just seven days, 17 hours.

Bizarre Baldness Cures

Tea –In 19th-century England, people stricken with thinning hair would rub “cold India tea” and hunks of lemon into their scalps. Not surprisingly, the results were underwhelming.

Citywide Yard Sale

Saturday, August 27, 2016 -- Beginning Time 7:00 a.m. or 8:00a.m. -- Seller's Choice

If you think you are on the verge of, or already have lost your mind because you are thinking of having yet another yard sale, don't despair. You will undoubtedly find it on August 27, inside a box of treasures you purchased at someone else's yard sale!

The City of Haviland in conjunction with the Southwest Kansas Antique Engine and Thresher Show is once again sponsoring a citywide yard sale. If you are interested in having a yard sale on this date, please call the City office, 620-862-5317, or send an email to cityhall@havilandtelco.com, so that I can put you on a map with each sale location noted. These maps will be available in the city businesses during the week prior to yard sale day, at the Thresher Show and at the yard sales.

Thresher Show weekend is a great boost to our community, to our businesses, and to all of us in general. Let's do all we can to make it successful!

Haviland

Scarcely had the thunder of buffalo hoofs faded from the Kansas prairies when the creak of covered wagons and immigrant trains took its place.

A small group of Indiana Quakers were among those who came to make their homes on this part of the unbroken prairies in 1884.

Those first pioneers lived in dugouts, burned buffalo chips (called prairie coal), ate mostly corn meal mush and side meat. The lowly sandhill plum was considered a blessing.

But it was a bright land they came to, a land of thick buffalo grass and promise of an abundant future.

In 1885 Congress passed a law forbidding fencing of government land by cattlemen and the prairie stirred with a restlessness that was more than wind in the buffalo grass. There was a westward sweep of homesteaders. Settlements seemed to spring up all over the land and with the year 25 more families had settled near what is now Haviland.

There was a fellowship among those first people in the new country. Each person was ready to share with and help others. When a new child was expected, neighbor women conducted the baby into the world. When there was a death, the corpse was dressed and laid out by friends. The casket was built by relatives or neighbors. Burial usually was in the family yard or on a nearby hill. The cost of living and

dying on the frontier was practically nothing.

Most of the homes were built of sod. Larned and Kinsley were the nearest railroad towns and hauling building supplies from these towns was a long, expensive process.

Freighting in the early eighties was big business. Freight was hauled through here even into Oklahoma. The freight wagons were pulled by horses, mules, oxen and even by bulls. Cannonball Green's stage line came through here and brought mail to Dowell, later Wellsford, and early settlers here went to Dowell post office for mail.

By shrewdness, thrift, ability and courage those first pioneers acquired more worldly goods and the frontier gradually faded as homes, churches and schools were built.

By 1886 the new settlement was rapidly growing and a survey for a railroad through here had been made. A few of the far sighted pioneers got together and decided to form a town company. This they did. A town was plotted, lots were sold and given away. Business buildings and homes were erected in the new town.

Before the new town was a year old a schoolhouse had been built. Improvements were being made and the tap of the hammer was heard in all directions. There were 250 people in the little village. There

were stores, six grocery and dry goods stores, two hotels, one restaurant and bakery, a large livery stable and stage stop, a blacksmith, meat market, feed store, coal and lumber yard.

In 1887 two railroads came through and the new town was on the boom.

But there were setbacks. The hot winds blew, crops failed and depression spread over the land. Many people trekked out just as they had come. There was an unusual amount of travel. Every hour there were at least a dozen eastbound wagons at the public well. The Santa Fe pulled up their tracks and moved out.

Many homesteaders sold their land to cattlemen and ranching, once more, was big business.

But there were those who had the stamina to stay and those who did not have the means to leave.

Better times came and by the early 1900's the wheat and corn raised by Kansas was worth more than that raised by any other state.

And so it was in the beginning of the new community. There were good times and bad. There were people who prospered and those who failed, but all had a part in forming the character of the community that today we are proud to call – The Haviland Community.

By Ethyle Ballard, Editor
1956 Anniversary Edition
Haviland Journal

2016 Voter and Election Information

Voter Registration

- Register to vote at the Kiowa County Clerk's office. Voter registration closes 20 days prior to **EVERY** election.
- Need to re-register for name changes (such as marriage, etc.) or address changes. Address changes must be made on voter registration even if voter is located in the same precinct or next door, across the street, etc.
- 1st time registrants in the State of Kansas **MUST** provide proof of citizenship before they will become a registered voter.
 - Driver's license issued by the division of vehicles
 - Non-driver's identification card issued by the division of vehicles
- Changes to party affiliation **MUST** be done by June 1st for the Primary Election held in August. Unaffiliated voters may affiliate at the polls on Election Day.

Voting

- **ANYONE** may advance vote. There does not need to be any reason given for advance voting. Advance voting begins the day after voter registration books close for each election. Advance voters may vote in person at the County Clerk's Office or by mail. Advance ballot applications will need to be submitted to vote. Photo ID will need to be shown when voting in person. If voting by mail the voter's driver's license number or non-driver's license number will need to be listed on the application.
- Permanent Advance voting is allowed if the voter has a permanent physical disability or illness. After receiving a Permanent Advance application the list of these voters is maintained in the County Clerk's office and these voters are mailed a ballot in each election in which they are authorized to vote.
- When voting by mail the voter will receive an envelope that is marked Election Materials. Enclosed they will find their ballot(s), instructions for voting by mail, and an envelope to return their ballots to the County Election Office. The back of the return envelope **MUST** be signed by the voter for their ballot to be counted. If the voter is given any assistance in the voting process, there are also boxes to check on the back of the return envelope and lines for the name and signature of the individual assisting the voter. After receiving the ballot in the Election Office the voter's ballot number is verified and the signature on the envelope is matched to the voter's signature on file. No postage is provided when voting by mail **UNLESS** the election is a specific mail ballot election.
- When voting at the polling location on Election Day every voter must provide a photo ID.
- There is a handicapped accessible voting machine at each polling location on Election Day. Any handicapped voter may vote independently by using this machine if they wish. Otherwise, someone may assist a voter by signing an Affidavit of Assistance form at the polling location.
- If any voter is not listed in the poll book (registered voter list) on Election Day, they will be allowed to vote. The voter will be asked to vote a Provisional Ballot. This procedure requires the voter to fill out a new voter registration card, fill out information on the Provisional Ballot envelope, vote a regular ballot and place it in the Provisional Envelope. It will be submitted to the Election Office where it will be researched to see if the voter is indeed registered. The results of each inquiry are recorded and then it is up to the Board of Canvassers (County Commissioners) to determine if the ballot is valid. If it is, the votes are added to the total votes in that precinct and/or district. If the ballot is deemed invalid it is not removed from the envelope and the voter registration is added to the voter rolls.

Important Dates in 2016

- **Voter registration closing dates 2016**
 - July 12, 2016 August Primary Election
 - October 18, 2016 November General Election
- **Filing Deadlines for Candidates**
 - June 1, 2016 Federal, State, and Local Candidates
 - August 1, 2016 Independent Candidates (must file by petition)
- **Election Dates 2016**
 - August 2, 2016 Primary Election
 - November 8, 2016 General Election

Polling Place and Time

- 109 N. Main, Haviland City Hall Community Room – 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Haviland Community Survey

The 1967 Haviland High School Freshman Citizenship class and sponsoring instructor, David Anders, conducted a survey. Of the 300 households that were sent the survey, 110 responded, which the class felt was a fairly good percentage, and that the overall reaction was quite good. The results of this survey were published in The Haviland Journal on June 1, 1967. Following is a portion of that survey:

1. I have lived in Haviland for how many years? Answers ranged all the way from one month to 62 years.
 2. I belong to what church. Friends, Methodist, Congregational, Mennonite, Church of Christ, Pilgrim of Holiness, Nazarene, Evangelical, Covenant.
 3. Would you call yourself active in religious affairs and community affairs? Majority said "Yes."
 4. What organizations or groups do you belong to? Listed for this question were 30 different groups not related to church.
 5. What type of government does Haviland have? City Council-23; Manager-Council-2; Mayor-Council-91.
 6. Would you say that Haviland's city government is: Effective-38; So-So-57; Poor-13.
 7. Do you feel that the town is run by: Just a few people-37; All the people-42; One group of people-21.
 8. If you feel that the town is run by just one group of people please specify the group. People who take part. Town Council. Friends. Religious people. Upper economy group. Bible College. Snobs. Town isn't organized.
 9. Do you feel that there is sufficient recreational facilities in Haviland for the young people of this area? Yes-24; No-92.
 10. Would you be in favor of Haviland building a swimming pool? Yes-78; No-34.
 11. Would you be in favor of letting someone open a place to play pool? Yes-52; No-54.
 12. Would you be in favor of opening a Teen Town where young people could read books and magazines, or play a jukebox and dance if they wished to, or play games, etc.? Yes-79; No-35.
 13. What do you think of Haviland's schools? Grade School: Excellent-36; Good-60; Average-21; Poor-1. High School: Excellent-19; Good-55; Average-34; Poor 7. Friends Academy: Excellent-12; Good-47; Average-40; Poor-16. Friends Bible College; Excellent-18; Good-50; Average-34; Poor-7.
 14. Are you closely associated with the: Public schools: Yes-63; No-43. Academy or College: Yes-36; No-66.
 15. Do you favor the idea of Haviland unifying with another school district, for example, Greensburg? Yes-23; No-84.
 16. Are you in favor of keeping both the high school and the academy? Yes-38; No-70
 17. Would you favor closing the public high school? Yes-13; No-102.
 18. Would you favor closing the academy? Yes-62; No-42.
 19. Do you feel that the Bible College could be strengthened by closing the academy and concentrating on the College? Yes-68; No-29.
 20. Do you think Haviland would loose control of its public schools if they unified with another district? Yes-78; No-17.
 21. Would the grade school be closed if unification with another school system came into effect? Yes-40; No-43.
 22. Do you feel that Haviland has sufficient law enforcement? Yes-40; No-60.
 23. Should Haviland employ a full-time law officer? Yes-55; No-41.
 24. Should Haviland's traffic regulations be enforced more strictly than they now are? Yes-75; No-26.
 25. Should a leash law to keep dogs tied up or enclosed be enacted and enforced by Haviland? Yes-78; No-19. Comment: "Everybody else's dog except mine."
 26. Does Haviland have sufficient business and residential lighting? Yes-57; No-35.
 27. Does Haviland need a curfew for its young people? Yes-35; No-61.
 28. Should we teach about communism in the schools? Yes-79; No-11.
 29. What is your occupation? Retired. Housewife. Nurse. Farmer. Office. Business. Government employee. Baby sitter. Salesman. Teacher. Laborer. Contractor. Service station attendant. Mechanic. Truck driver. Minister. Custodian.
 30. Are you male or female? Male-55; Female-60
 31. Age group to which you belong. 20-30, 15; 31-40, 24; 41-50, 17; 51-60, 18; 61-70, 19; 71-80, 6; 81-90, 1.
- Additional comments: "Glad to see the young people interested in our local government."

"I think Haviland is a clean little town, a nice place to raise your family and then a nice community to retire in. If we look for something good in our townspeople we can find it. If you want to kick and grouch, you can probably find that kind of company but they are not the ones who make the world go around."

"Could something be worked out to get people to visit things in our town—such as the sewer plant, the elevator, the telephone office, and the post office—so they will know what really makes the town tick? Some people should be made to realize the opportunities our town offers so they would be more inclined to make full use of the business places in town—in other words shop at home every time possible and make full use of the services offered. "

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Southwest Kansas Antique Engine and Thresher Show

Friday and Saturday, August 26-27, 2016

502 E. Walnut, Haviland, KS (The Konkel Homestead)

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Friday – August 26

- * All Day Tractor Displays & Activities
- * Auction – 3:00 p.m. (Info: Bob 620-723-2770)
- * Bean Feed – 5:30 p.m. (Show Grounds)

Saturday – August 27

- * All Day Tractor Displays & Activities
- * Citywide Yard Sale – 8:00 a.m. (Info: Shari 620-862-5317)
- * Main Street Parade – 10:00 a.m. (Info: Carla 620-862-5458)

FOR THE KIDS

Friday

All Day Tank of Corn Coin Search

Saturday

Egg Toss, Tug-O-War, Pedal Pull - 2:00 p.m. (Sanctioned by Kiowa County Farm Bureau)

ACTIVITIES FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

SAW MILLING – FLEA MARKET – GRAIN THRESHING – GASOLINE ENGINES – ANTIQUE TRACTORS

ROCK CRUSHING – STATIONARY HAY BALING – WOOD PLANING – BAKER FAN TESTING

GARDEN TRACTORS & ANTIQUE VEHICLES

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