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Muscotah native, Erik Dylan performs at Saturday at the Atchison County Fair in Effingham, songwriter Brett Sheroky, shares the stage.



Kate Oswald and her grandchildren clown around with spectators along the "Plant your roots in Atchison County"-themed fair parade on Friday in Effingham.



Atchison Shamrocks 4-H Club garners one of the top placings in the 2021 county fair of Friday night.

Berger resigns as city manager

Atchison Globe

Atchison City Manager Becky Berger is resigning from her position.

Berger, who has worked for the City since 2012, started as the Assistant City Manager/Finance Director until 2017, when she was named interim City Manager. Berger became the official City Manager in 2018.



Becky Berger

"I have enjoyed having the opportunity to serve the City and the Atchison community for the past nine years, and will miss the work and all of my colleagues at the City," said Berger. "I wish the City of Atchison continued success and will always cherish the relationships and experiences I've gained in my time there."

Mayor Abby Bartlett and the Commission are proud of Berger and what has been accomplished in Atchison during her tenure.

"This City is headed in a great direction on so many fronts and Becky was a main driving force behind much of the progress we've seen in recent years," Bartlett said. "We are grateful for her leadership and service to the Atchison community. She will be missed not only by the Commission

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2021 Atchison Co. Fair wraps up

By MARY MEYERS
Atchison Globe

The 2021-themed Atchison County fair "Plant your roots in Atchison County" for many attendees represented a tradition of coming home to interact with friends, family, and neighbors.

It was just that when the fair wound down Saturday night featuring a performance by Muscotah native, Erik Dylan and Friends who are also songwriter-guitarists Nick Walsh and Brett Sheroky, and his uncle Dick Anderson on harmonica.

"I love coming back home," Dylan said, "You-all my people." Dylan, a current Nashville resident, told about the songs he's written and co-written and explained how he draws inspiration from his childhood experiences and memories of his hometown Delaware River area.

Currently, Dylan is working closely with Luke Combs. "He is singing the song and I am thinking about Muscotah, Kansas," Dylan said. Dylan has co-written multiple songs that have reached num-

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Odin Hanes, 7, of Effingham, pulls out as one of the top contenders in the Kiddee Pedal Power Contest Thursday during the Atchison County Fair.



Some 4-Hers are showing their goats during judging early Friday in the fair barn arena.



Matt Snook, left, and Craig Kew on bass and the other band members entertain the crowd after the parade on Friday night at the county fair.



Image courtesy of USD 409
Phoenix image A is the new mascot to represent the USD 409 Atchison Public Schools.

USD 409 reveals new mascot

By MARY MEYERS
Atchison Globe

Phoenix image A is the new mascot to represent the USD 409 Atchison Public Schools. The Phoenix graphic was announced to Board of Education members and the audience in attendance before adjournment at Monday's board meeting. Superintendent Renee Scott said the results of the survey showed favor to Phoenix image A by about 87 percent of the participating stakeholders

who responded to the recent survey. Stakeholders included students, staff, alumni and the public at large. The deadline to receive survey responses was noon Monday, Aug. 9, several hours prior to the board meeting. An image depicting the Phoenix head will also be used at times in conjunction with the full-bodied image. In other matters, board members reviewed the draft of the USD 409 Safe Return and Continuity of Services

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Image courtesy of USD 409
The Phoenix head image will be used in conjunction with the full bodied USD 409 Phoenix mascot.

Atchison Senior Village administrator steps down



Submitted photo
Haley Tinch, the recently appointed administrator at Atchison Senior Village, the county-run residential care facility, resigns from her position effective immediately.

By MARY MEYERS
Atchison Globe

Haley Tinch has resigned from her position as the Atchison Senior Village administrator effective immediately. Atchison County Commission members, Chairman Jack Bower, Vice-chairman Eric Noll, and Commissioner Casey Quinn unanimously voted to accept Tinch's resignation following some lengthy discussions behind closed doors about non-elected personnel before their regular meeting adjournment on Tuesday, Aug. 10.

In his motion to accept Tinch's resignation, Noll explained that Tinch had sent notification to commissioners on Sunday of her intent to resign from her position effective immediately. Tinch's resignation follows an outbreak of positive COVID-19 cases among residents and staff at the county-run residential care facility. On Aug. 3 a Facebook post indicated 20 residents

and six staff members had tested positive with the coronavirus. The post also indicated all local, state and federal guidelines have been followed to mitigate the spread and to keep residents safe. "Please note, our residents are the number 1 priority," the post reads. "We are working around the clock with Emergency Management, the local Health Department and KDHE in our COVID response. Commissioners hired

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