



# This Is Potwin

Potwin, Kansas

April 2023



## EASTER EGG HUNT

WITH A VISIT FROM THE EASTER BUNNY!!

SATURDAY, APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup>

10:00AM TODDLERS THROUGH KINDERGARTEN  
@ GRADE SCHOOL YARD

10:15AM 1<sup>ST</sup> THROUGH 3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE  
@ COMMUNITY HOUSE PARK

10:30AM 4<sup>TH</sup> & 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE @ KING PARK

Bring your camera if you want your picture taken with him after the egg hunts, in the community house park.

Sponsored by the Potwin Lions Club

**LIONS CLUBS**

*We Serve!*





## Potwin PRIDE news

Help keep our town clean. We want to thank some volunteers who have cleaned some ditches around town and entrances to town. Volunteers have included Joseph Schultz, Donna Barta, Ellen and Aja Spencer, Mike Longden, and anyone else who has picked up trash around the town. Remington High School students will be helping clean street gutters for the city and helping others in town at their community service day on April 26. Remember the city wide clean up day is June 17 after the city wide garage sales on June 9 and 10.

We want to thank the Whittington's for getting the Ken Whittington Memorial Community Garden disked. David Denny, Joseph Schultz, Charlie Baker, Alan Whiteside, Bertha Brandon, Donna Barta, Judy Buffin, and Melvina Jones cut the potatoes on March 20. Plans are to plant them the week of March 27-31.

Melvina is gathering information for the pilot program with Kansas PRIDE and the Kansas Masonic Foundation. Marie Barlow is working on a welcome to Potwin brochure.

Charlie Baker plans to plant zinnias in some of the flower barrels this year.

Other dates on the community calendar include: Good Friday service April 7 at the Methodist Church at 7:00 PM, April 8 Lions Club Easter egg hunt, April 9 community Easter sunrise service and breakfast at the Methodist Church at 6:45 AM. April 9 biker's Sunday, April 22 Wheat State Manor fundraising banquet and ballet at Whitewater Community Church. The next PRIDE meeting will be April 20 at 7:00 PM at the Community House.

According to Potwin City Ordinance No. 700, it is unlawful to litter in or on city streets, sidewalks, alleys, parks or other public right of ways in the city. This includes grass clippings blown into the street from your mower. Accumulation of the clippings leads to clogging in the city drains and causes flooding when it rains; this can be a real problem for the homes and businesses located near those drains. It is also against city code (Ch. 8, Article 2, Sections 8-401) to have weeds or indigenous grasses on residential property exceeding 12 inches, as these are considered a blighting influence.

The city limb pile out by the ball diamonds is for *limbs, logs, and wood with no nails only*. There is a sign as you enter the area with a list of what is not permitted. Recently there have been items such as tennis shoes, clothing, metal, wood with nails in it, and grass clippings in the pile. The pile is randomly spot checked by the state and the city could lose their permit for a burn pile if it contains items other than limbs, resulting in Potwin residents having to take all limbs to the county landfill.

On the other side of the ball field is a pile for compost materials. Such as leaves, grass clippings, and old potting soil. Without the black garden bags, of course.



Please be mindful of how you dispose of these items.

## RMS 3<sup>rd</sup> NINE WEEKS – 2023

### SUPERINTENDENT'S ALL "A" HONOR ROLL

#### 8TH GRADE:

Jude Bowlin  
Gabe Bumm  
Cora Finney  
Joely Gerber  
Cheyenne Hoch  
Elliott Hochstetler  
Landrey Jensen  
Reuben Jury  
Kynzee Klaassen  
Joshua Knowles  
Denver McCormick  
Alex Otto  
Abi Taylor

#### 7TH GRADE:

Ella Amend  
Jadyn Ayres  
Brock Chapple  
Carson Cook  
Drew Entz  
Emma Entz  
Maggie Green  
Dixie Hanna  
Harley McLaughlin  
Gracee Oberst  
Ruby Ralston  
Taylor Willour

#### 6TH GRADE:

Landon Busenitz  
Anna Klingenberg  
Caleb Klingenberg  
Benni Scribner  
Ella Zuercher

#### 5TH GRADE:

Julian Bowlin  
Audra Entz  
Hudson Harder  
Trevor Smith  
Georgia Wiebe

### PRINCIPAL'S HONOR ROLL - A'S AND NO MORE THAN 2 B'S

#### 8TH GRADE:

Brooklyn Barnes  
Jordon Connors  
Rayne Dove  
Jaivyn Greene  
Ellison Jarvis  
Peyton Ryan  
Darian Schwind  
Adam Smith  
Landon Winn

#### 7TH GRADE:

Kaycee Ballew  
Amerie Clayton  
Cameron Eck  
Micah Giles  
Lilly Howell  
Alyssa Klingenberg  
Chayton Lineback  
Joy Rutschman  
Kyler Wiebe  
Ethan Zuercher

#### 6TH GRADE:

Hollis Jensen  
Karys Klaassen  
Paisley Lies  
Eva Schmidt  
Mary Shockley  
Gage Smeeton

#### 5TH GRADE:

Donovan Brewer  
Grady Jones  
Andres Lopez  
Millie Martin  
Max McCormick  
Rustin McLaughlin  
Charley Mertes  
Jackson Otto

### RED AND WHITE HONOR ROLL - A'S AND B'S

#### 8TH GRADE:

Chase Artz  
Pearl Brehm  
Owen Giffin  
Karen McCullough  
Jose Rivera  
Emma Schmidt  
Sterling Scribner  
Anna Shockley  
Trenton Taber

#### 7TH GRADE:

Gage Jones  
Skyler Knowles

#### 6TH GRADE:

Mason Artz  
Ashlyn Barnes  
Jacob Chapple  
Karys Klaassen  
Kinsley Peters  
Lane Vanderford

#### 5TH GRADE:

Serenity Andrews  
Liam Archer  
Gibcyn Bishop  
Wesson Bush  
Grant Hendricks  
Cooper McAllister  
Izabelle McDonnell  
Kate Raines  
Jordi Rankin

# **POTWIN FOOD PANTRY OPEN EVERY THURSDAY 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM**

Potwin Christian Church  
224 E Violet  
Ronnie and Nancy Jackson  
752-3188

## **DONATIONS ARE WELCOME!**

### **FOOD ITEMS NEEDED:**

|   |   |
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| Saltine Crackers                          | Peanut Butter (Creamy/Chunky)                             |
| Brownie Mixes                             | Jell-O (Regular/Sugar Free)                               |
| Cake Mixes                                | Jelly (All Kinds)   |
| Pancake/Waffle Mixes                      | Treet (Armour Brand)                                      |
| Jiffy Mix                                 | Vienna Sausages   |
| Syrup                                     | Tuna In Water   |
| Cheese Crackers                           | Chili With/Without Beans                                  |
| Microwave Popcorn                         | Cream Corn  |
| Chicken/Beef Broth                        | Ravioli   |
| Cream of Mushroom/Chicken Soups           | Sloppy Joe  |
| Instant Potatoes                          | Rotel   |
| Canned Fruit (Peaches/Cocktail/Pineapple) | Boxes Of Instant Oatmeal<br>(Maple Brown Sugar & Variety) |

### **HYGIENE ITEMS NEEDED:**

|              |              |
|--------------|--------------|
| Bars Of Soap | Toothbrushes |
| Shampoo      | Toilet Paper |
| Conditioner  | Paper Towels |
| Deodorant    | Dish Soap    |
| Toothpaste   | Body Wash    |

Thank you so very much for all of your who donate to the food bank.



SATURDAY, APRIL 22  
AT WHITEWATER COMMUNITY CHURCH

# Fundraising Banquet

5 P.M.

Raising funds for the chaplain  
position at Wheat State Manor.



**-AND-**

Free will offerings will be taken.



# Pearl of Great Price

THE STORY OF AMY CARMICHAEL

6 P.M.

A ballet by Dramatic  
Truth Ballet Theatre

TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT AT THE

*Banquet* AND/OR THE *Ballet*

OR TO VOLUNTEER,

CALL TRICIA FEE AT 316.799.2181 OR EMAIL TYSON.DEBBYD@GMAIL.COM

We received a letter from Bobbie Wood, she is the daughter of Roberta (Cole) Nichols. We hope that you enjoy their words and if you have any information for them, or maybe a birthday card for her mother, that you contact them at the address below.

Hi,

I am attaching a summary of the time my mom went to school in Elbing and surrounding area from 1928 - 1939 as well as some pictures. The picture of the kids on the running board - my mom is the tall girl on the right; she is about 9 years old. Also, I indicated by a arrow my mom of the class picture of Potwin High School.



I would really like to know if anyone is still living that would remember my mom, especially Thelma Schmidt and Dorothy Henderson. Also, if people want to contact mom, they could write to me and I will share with mom.

Bobbie Wood  
2400 Eilers Lane, Apt 1601  
Lodi, CA 95242



I lived in the Elbing/Potwin Kansas area from 1928 to 1939 and the following is a summary of my school years. Last year I turned 100 years old and have been reminiscing about my school days after going through Valentines I have saved.

My name is Roberta Nichols but was Roberta Cole and my parents were Loyd and Nellie Cole.

In 1928, I moved from Armour, South Dakota to Peabody, Kansas outside of Elbing. I started school in 1929 when I was 7 years old. It was a one room country school for 8 grades. My teacher was Ms. Katie Andrews for grades 1,2 and 3. Lois Hall was my 4th grade teacher and part of 5th grade. My brother Bud and I walked down the railroad tracks to school, about a mile. My best friend was Thelma Schmidt whose father was a pastor and he also farmed. Note: I lost track of Thelma and would like to know if she is still living.

My dad was a hired hand and worked for the Reed, Uphoff, Sicklebower, and Regier families during this time.

We moved to Elbing for the rest of 5th grade and part of 6th grade. The school was an old brick building, two stories with electricity and indoor plumbing and was a block from home.

I continued my education at District 85 Wilcox Country School about 6 miles east of Elbing where my dad found work in the oilfields. Mr. West taught the upper 4 grades and his wife the lower 4 grades. Kids took the bus to school that was pulled by a horse. (See Picture)







While at Wilcox, I participated in a track and field meet April 19, 1937. I placed first in the 75-yard dash, the 100-yard dash and the broad jump.

I graduated from Wilcox in 1937 and started Potwin High School. The school was a two story brick building with the high school on the second floor. (See picture of Freshman/Sophomore class) 1938 or 1939



The oilfields were running out and the family moved to the central valley of California in 1939.

I graduated from Manteca High School in 1941 and last year August 16, 2022 I celebrated my 100th birthday.



Spring sports are in full swing!  
 From T-Ball to High School Baseball/Softball,  
 Track Meets, and Golf  
 there's always something to enjoy!

We, here at Vintage Bank Kansas,  
 love our kids and are cheering you on!









2023-2024

## Preschool~Kindergarten Round-Up Remington Elementary

Do you have a child that will attend Preschool or Kindergarten in August 2023? If so, we want to invite you to our Round-Up on April 20-21, 2023.

During this time, parents and future students will complete vision and hearing screenings, along with completing state required ASQ Questionnaires.

If you plan to attend, please complete the registration at: [Round-Up Registration](#) or through the QR code. Registration will close April 7, 2023.

- Students attending Kindergarten must be 5 on or before August 31, 2023.
- Students attending Preschool must be 4 on or before August 31, 2023.
- Current Preschool students do not need to attend Round-Up.



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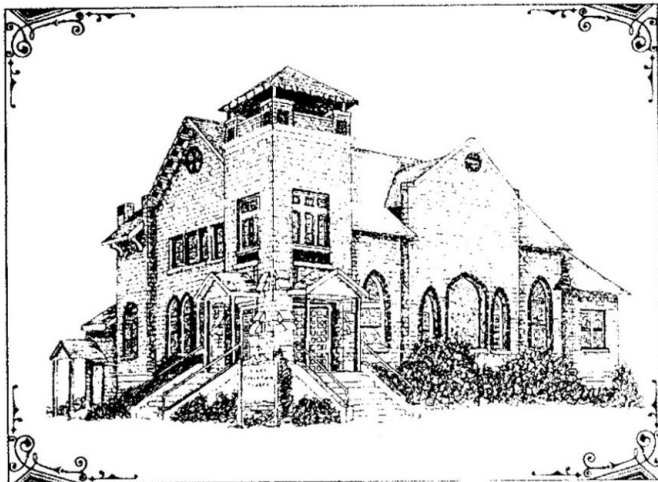
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## Potwin Christian Church

224 E Violet Potwin, KS 67123

620-752-3331 Preacher: Chuck McCrea

Sunday School 9:30-10:00

Church Services 10:30-11:30

Men's Breakfast: 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month @ 8:30am



# April 3, 2023 – “The First ‘Free’ Library in Kansas” by Marcia Sebree Remington High School, 8850 NW Meadowlark, Whitewater. 7:00 PM



In 1874, to express his appreciation for the town being named for him, railroad executive F. H. Peabody gave a wood-frame building to the town to be used as a library. In addition to this building, Peabody also gave 2,000 volumes from the Boston Massachusetts Library, along with a reading table and chairs (which are still in use today). After the current Carnegie Library building was built, the wood-frame building was moved



to various locations and used for a variety of functions. The Peabody Historical Society was formed in 1961, the building was moved to the present site (104 E. Division), and is now utilized as a museum devoted to artifacts of Peabody history. Marcia will share how the “free” library came about, the eventual transfer of library materials to the new building, and the subsequent multiple functions of the wood-frame building. Finally, she will discuss the use of the library today, nearly 150 years later.

Marcia Sebree is the President of the Peabody (Kansas) Historical Society and the Director of the Peabody Historical Society and Museum complex.

May 1, 2023 – “Living on the Main Line – Railroads as Creators and Builders of Community” by Donald Skinner  
Remington High School, 8850 NW Meadowlark, Whitewater. 7:00 PM

Membership dues are \$5.00 per year. All are welcome to the program.



## Good Friday Service

April 7, 2023

7:00 PM at

First United Methodist Church of  
Potwin

123 N. Anita

Easter worship service at 11:00 AM

All are welcome

## Community Easter Sunrise Service

April 9, 2023

6:45 AM at

First United Methodist Church of  
Potwin

123 N. Anita

Breakfast following service

All are welcome

April came in like a lamb also, because March didn't do it's typical thing. I won't complain though, because if I do, we'll get the exact opposite of what I am complaining about. I tore this recipe for chicken fingers out of an old magazine and the blurb about it said people line up around the block to get into this Canadian restaurant where they serve them. Sounds like another chicken restaurant around here. Anyway, I tried it and both Charlie and I thought it was delicious!!

### Mitzi's Chicken Fingers

2 lb. boneless, skinless chicken breast, cut into 3x1 inch strips.  
1 tablespoon sugar  
1 tablespoon freshly ground black pepper  
1 teaspoon paprika  
1 cup flour  
Panko breadcrumbs (about 3 cups)

1 tablespoon kosher salt  
1 1/2 teaspoons garlic powder  
1 teaspoon dry mustard powder  
4 eggs, lightly beaten  
canola oil, for frying

Mix sugar, salt, pepper, garlic powder, paprika and mustard powder, then toss with chicken in medium bowl. Set aside.

Place flour in shallow dish, then eggs in another shallow dish, and lastly, panko in another dish.

Pour oil in skillet, (it calls for 2 inches of oil, but I only used 1 inch) in a Dutch oven or large fry pan. Heat til oil is 325 degrees. Working in batches, coat chicken in flour, shake off excess, dip in eggs, then in breadcrumbs. Fry in oil until golden brown and crisp, about 3 minutes or meat thermometer inserted in chicken reads 165 degrees. Serve with dipping sauce.

### Dipping Sauce

1 1/2 cups mayonnaise  
2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice

1/4 cup honey  
1 tablespoon dry mustard

2 tablespoons chopped dill  
salt and pepper to taste

Whisk all ingredients in medium bowl, season with salt and pepper, stir together til smooth.

You know me, I always must have a dessert and when I was searching around one day for something sweet to eat, I found I had a bunch of apples that were getting a little too old for eating plain, so looked in my old church cookbook and found this recipe by Ida Slaymaker. It really turned out well for scrounging around for a recipe, so thought I would share it with you.

### Apple Pan Dowdy

Thinly slice about 8 to 10 apples and place them in a 9x13 pan. Pour about a half cup water over the apples and then shake cinnamon and sugar over the top. I used 1/2 cup sugar mixed with 3 teaspoons cinnamon. In a small bowl, mix 3/4 cup quick oatmeal, 1/4 cup brown sugar, 1/4 teaspoon baking soda, 1/4 teaspoon baking powder, and 1/4 cup flour. Melt 1/2 cup melted butter and pour into oatmeal mixture. Stir together and spoon over top of apples. Bake in 400 degree oven for 40 minutes. Serve warm with ice cream, or let cool and enjoy.

Have a great Easter and enjoy your cooking. By the way, my Easter menu is Baked Ham, Company potatoes, freshly broiled green beans and garlic, Easter cupcakes and Easter cookies.

LaVonne Baker

The Potwin Public Library is pleased to announce that it has received a \$500.00 grant from Kansas Heath Foundation – Butler Fund through the El Dorado Community Foundation and/or Douglass Community Foundation, an affiliate(s) of Central Kansas Community Foundation. The organization will use the funds for Potwin Public Library Restroom Update. The Potwin Public Library serves Potwin Kansas and its surrounding areas. We are a small community of around 550. Our library provides a safe haven for disadvantaged youth and is visited by many senior citizens.

This project is to update our restroom and make it safer for our visiting patrons. Our library is housed in an old limestone bank, built in 1904, and the restroom is located in the old bank vault. We have had to break the project up into phases. The first completed phase of our Restroom Project was leveling the floor, which had a four-inch step, and it created a slope to the back wall. We also installed a new ADA compliant toilet, as well as a new door. This will make it easier on our elderly patrons, and the children who visit the library or who make hurried visits from the park across the street. Our next phase will be to complete the Restroom Project, with a new sink, storage, painting and finishing up the trim.

We have future plans to tuckpoint the building, laying new carpet, and painting. If you would like to help by donating time, supplies, or funds, please contact us by phone at 620-752-3421 or email us at [PotwinLibrary@wheatstate.com](mailto:PotwinLibrary@wheatstate.com).

We would like to thank everyone who assisted in helping us to achieve this goal. Gregory at American Concept Construction, Mike Murphy at The City of Potwin, The Potwin City Council, El Dorado Community Foundation, Douglass Community Foundation, and Central Kansas Community Foundation.

We would also like to thank everyone who visits and supports the Potwin Public Library.

About El Dorado Community Foundation:

El Dorado Community Foundation (ECF) mission is "to assist the community in making charitable dreams a reality." The purpose of ECF is to bring together individuals, groups and organizations which have needs with those who have the resources or leadership abilities to assist in meeting those needs. You may learn more about ECF via this link: <https://centralkansascf.org/affiliate-foundations/el-dorado-community-foundation/>.

About Douglass Community Foundation:

The purpose of Douglass Community Foundation (DCF) is to assist in providing resources for a broad range of existing and future education and charitable needs in and around the City of Douglass. You may learn more about DCF here: <https://centralkansascf.org/affiliate-foundations/douglass-community-foundation/>.

About Central Kansas Community Foundation:

Founded in 1995, Central Kansas Community Foundation (CKCF) mission is "Building Stronger Communities Through Charitable Giving." Our vision is being the leader in philanthropy in the communities we serve, connecting donors with meaningful programs and causes, strengthening charitable organizations, providing leadership on local and regional issues, and building permanent community resources. You can learn more about CKCF at [www.centralkansascf.org](http://www.centralkansascf.org).



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AprilFoolsDay

AprilShowers

ArborDay

Baseball

Basket

Birds

Blooms

BringMayFlowers

Bunny

CandyEggs

Chicks

Chocolate

Cloudy

Community

Daffodils

Ducks

EarthDay

Easter

EggHunt

FindAGoldenEgg

HappyEaster

JellyBeans

Lamb

LetsGoFlyAKite

LionsClub

PlantAGarden

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