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Board contemplates worst-case scenario
If bond fails, how will USD 400 cope?
By Susan Kiser
A \$400 million bond issue for the state's transportation trust funds is expected to be approved by the Legislature next week. But the bond's success hinges on the Legislature's ability to raise the state's debt ceiling to \$100 billion, a move that would allow the state to issue more debt to cover the bond's cost.

Saturday is shortest day of the year
WINTER SOLSTICE
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The winter solstice is the shortest day of the year, and it falls on Saturday, Dec. 21. The day is the shortest because the Earth's axis is tilted away from the sun, resulting in the shortest day and the longest night.

TROUT
Meade Lake to offer trout fishing
By Susan Kiser
Meade Lake, located in the heart of the state's natural beauty, is offering trout fishing to the public. The lake is a popular spot for anglers and is known for its large trout population.

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Topoka Fire Department says goodbye to service dog 'Boomer'
By Susan Kiser
The Topoka Fire Department has said goodbye to its service dog, Boomer. Boomer was a loyal companion and a hard worker, and his service to the department was invaluable.

SUV overturns, kills woman, sends 4 children to hospital
By Susan Kiser
A SUV overturned on a road in the state, resulting in the death of a woman and the hospitalization of four children. The accident occurred on a busy road, and the driver was not wearing a seatbelt.

'Duck Dynasty' fans react to Robertson's hiatus
By Susan Kiser
Fans of the reality show 'Duck Dynasty' are reacting to the hiatus of the show's host, Willie Robertson. The show has been a major success story for the network, and fans are looking forward to its return.

Foul weather could be trouble for travelers
By Susan Kiser
Foul weather is expected to hit the state, which could cause trouble for travelers. The weather is expected to be very cold and snowy, and travelers should be prepared for difficult conditions.