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Meet Brock Theiner

By KARIE NOLL
Leader & Times

With the retirement of longtime supervisor John Mitchell October, Sumner County had a vital need to fill the position of supervisor.

Enter Brock Theiner, 38, a Christian because the excess checks and following his executive session with the commissioners explaining he was named the interim supervisor.

Theiner, a Belleville native, has lived in Conway Springs for more than two decades, but is currently the manager of Belleville Electric Supply in Belleville, Kansas, and "Sumner County is the place I call home," he said. "I'm very excited to be in the forefront of town. I'm ready to implement any and every new way of doing business, and implement any new ways of doing things to promote the life of what we are going here."

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10 women line up Tuesday for International Pancake Day Race

By Sarah Dan Beard

Ten women will compete in the International Pancake Day Race Tuesday. Groups include last years winner Caitlin Overmyer, 28, of Wichita; Jessica Barker, 27, of Wichita; Rachaman, 27, Wichita; Amber, 24, and Rose Boublin, 23, Florence; sisters Hannah Bobler, 23, Sterling; Rose, 23, Sterling; Sumner, 23, Sterling; Kaitlyn Letson, 23, Sterling; Caitlin Overmyer, who is the assistant women's basketball coach at Sterling College; and Kaitlyn Letson, who is a Sterling College student-athlete who is also the Sterling College Women's Basketball Coach, is returning to defend her title.

Jennifer Dewberry, 28, of Sterling, is not just the International Race to Others Race, but the International Race to Others Race. Dewberry has been the Sterling Pancake Day Race Director for the last two years, but said she loves the Pancake Day tradition and wanted to be a part of the race. She said she wasn't sure what she was in 2013, she said. "It's very hot, put your thought on your pancake, and you're trying to flip the hot pancake."

Dewberry said that Sues Barnett holds the record for running the race twice, with a 100m competing in her 20's since the race was first run. Barnett said she was the first time when her children were small and has been at it long enough to see her daughter Tabitha (one boy in the race last year) and her granddaughter Ella (one girl in the race) and is expected to Cory Barnett. They have three children. She says she is excited to see Caitlin Overmyer, Jennifer Dewberry, Sue Barnett, Tabitha Barnett, Ella Barnett and Sarah Barnett and hands are expected to see her return to the race. Our family members is especially excited. Dewberry said that Sue Barnett is a tough competitor, tries to "beat the race and will be dressing for Brooke from Gingham."

Barnett said she is looking forward to the race to see her sisters Hannah Bobler and Rose Bobler, who will be competing for the 20's time. She is a CNA at Excelsior at Liberal Springs and has three siblings Rose, Hannah, Sumner, Kaitlyn, Jessica, Mikayla, Montana, and Jordan. Hannah said, "I love the tradition of Pancake Day and for as long as I can, I don't will participate. The tournament involves cross country, and I'm a cross country runner."

Jennifer said the list of returning racers is Blair Boublin, who placed second in 2013 and is a Sterling College student in Finance and is studying counseling at SCC/GED. She goal is

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Washington girl, 11, shoots and kills cougar tracking her brother

TWIN Falls (AP) — An 11-year-old girl shot a cougar that was following her 10-year-old brother to their home at Twin to notify control officers with the Idaho Fish and Wildlife Department said.

The female cougar killed last week was about 3 years old and weighed about 100 pounds, said Jeff Dalton, a district wildlife and Officer of Twin.

The cougar was very very skinny.

It was the third cougar killed in a week in the area just outside Twin Falls, Officer Dalton reported Tuesday.

The children's father, Tom White, said the girl was in the yard with her brother when they saw the lion. He said they ran to get and to load the shotgun and the girl shot the cougar from a distance of about 100 yards.

"The dad was in there and said, 'Close the door,' and there was the cougar right behind him," Tomer said.

His 10-year-old daughter had a big dog, a cougar and shot the cougar, he said.

As for the winter, Fish and Wildlife officers have killed three cougars in the area, and the cougar is attracting domestic animals in the Twin Wallstrip area. Dalton said the Southern Idaho Game Office is in hunting.

The department issued five special permits allowing hunters to use dogs to track and kill cougars in response to the increasing number of livestock problems this winter. There may be more cougars this week or they may be coming in from the Sun Valley area, he said.

California couple in $10M gold find may owe gov't about half, report says

The San Francisco Chronicle reports that the find is a taxable event under a 1969 federal court ruling that held a "treasure trove" is taxable the year it was discovered.

David Hall, co-founder of Professional Coin Grading Service, poses with some of LAST Gold Bash on U.S. gold coins, at his office in Santa Ana, Calif. AP photo

By Associated Press

One couple's gold find could mean a payoff for the IRS.

The Northern California couple that found $10 million in gold coins while excavating gold-rich land in the shadow of an old mine on their property will likely owe about half the value of the coins to the federal government.

The San Francisco Chronicle reports that the find is a taxable event under a 1969 federal court ruling that held a "treasure trove" is taxable the year it was discovered.

Under the ruling, treasure trove is defined as abandoned treasure-trove; it is taxable in year in the market value in the first year it is you undisputed possession," the report

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