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Accident at Cairo Intersection



photo courtesy of Shirley Granander

An injury accident occurred on September 19 at 9:30 a.m. at the intersection of US 54 and Northeast 100th Avenue, just a 1/2 south of Cairo.

A 2015 Ford pickup, towing a RV camper, driven by Dan Hooper, 72, of Livingston, Texas was traveling west on U.S. 54 when it was hit by a 2005 Chevrolet Silverado, driven by Darrel Brant, 74, of Isabel.

Mr. Brant was traveling north on NE 100th Avenue, failed to yield at the intersection and drove into the driver's side of the Ford pickup. Mr. Hooper's vehicle came to rest on the north shoulder of US 54, and the Brant vehicle came to rest on the north lane of the westbound US 54.

Mr. Brant, who was not wearing a seat belt, was taken to Pratt Regional Medical Center. Both Mr. Hooper and his passenger, Katherine Hooper, 69, were wearing safety restraints and were not injured.

Time to Renew Dog Licenses

submitted by Dave Steffen

The 2019 dog tags are available at City Hall. Cunningham City Code requires every dog in Cunningham to be licensed annually. Tags expire annually on Sept. 30. Currently there are 49 dogs registered with the City.

The city code reads as follows: "Every owner of any dog over six months of age shall annual register with the City Clerk, his or her name and address with the name, sex, and description of each dog owned and kept within the city. It shall be unlawful for the owner of any newly acquired dog or any dog brought into the city to fail to register such animal within 30 days from acquisition or bringing the dog into the city. It shall be unlawful for the owner of any previously registered dog to fail to maintain current registration of such dog.

"Upon registration, the owner shall present a current, completed certificate of immunization against rabies. No registration shall follow without evi-

dence of this document, and it shall be unlawful for the owner of any dog over six months of age to fail to maintain effective immunization of such dog."

The registration fee is \$2 for each neutered male dog and for each spayed female dog, and \$4 for each unneutered male dog and for each unsprayed female dog.

Failure to register your dog with the City will result in a fine and a possible appearance in Municipal Court. The mandatory fine for failure to register a dog as required by City Code or to wear any dog tag issued at registration shall be \$50 per dog. Such fine can be paid to the City Clerk to avoid a Municipal Court appearance on the violation.

For more information, contact City Hall at (620) 298-3077.

Editor's note: Dogs are required to be on leashes when outside of or off the property of their owners. Please be a respectful dog owner and do not let them roam freely around town. -Roberta



BOE Met on Sept. 5th

submitted by Stacy Webster

The West Kingman County Board of Education meeting was called to order at

7:02 p.m. on Wednesday, September 5, 2018, by President Scott DeWeese.

President, Scott DeWeese; Members, Brent Hansen, Brent Miller, Joyce Gridley, Travis Thimesch, Kurt Preisser, Vicki Oldham; Superintendent, Robert Reed; and Clerk, Stacy Webster.

Motion made by Kurt Preisser, seconded by Brent Miller, to approve the agenda as amended, adding e. Approve district treasurer and f. Approve Superintendent salary. Yeas: DeWeese, Miller, Hansen, Gridley, Thimesch, Preisser, Oldham. Nays: none. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion made by Travis Thimesch, seconded by Vicki Oldham, to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2018 meeting. Yeas: DeWeese, Miller, Hansen, Gridley, Thimesch, Preisser, Oldham. Nays: none. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion made by Travis Thimesch, seconded by Joyce Gridley, to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2018 Budget hearing. Yeas: DeWeese, Miller, Hansen, Gridley, Thimesch, Preisser, Oldham. Nays: none. Motion

carried 7-0.

Motion made by Kurt Preisser, seconded by Brent Miller, to approve the minutes of the August 28, 2018 Special Meeting. Yeas: DeWeese, Miller, Hansen, Gridley, Thimesch, Preisser, Oldham. Nays: none. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion made by Joyce Gridley, seconded by Kurt Preisser, to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$76,825.37 and the financial reports as presented. Yeas: DeWeese, Miller, Hansen, Gridley, Thimesch, Preisser, Oldham. Nays: none. Motion carried 7-0.

Superintendent Reed reported that the start of the school year is going well except for some issues in getting laptops for students and shared that enrollment numbers are up 6 from last year. He reviewed upcoming calendar events and reported that he will be getting bids on the gym bathroom & entrance improvements and grade school roof repairs.

Member Joyce Gridley reported that the CO-OP has filled positions and is renting a small house in South Barber to house the Life Skills program. She also reported that the CO-OP approved a lease for 43 new vehicles thru the Enterprise Fleet Rental program.

Motion made by Joyce Gridley, seconded by Brent Miller, to go into execu-

tive session with Superintendent Reed for 10 minutes at 7:40 p.m. to discuss an individual employee contract for the non- elected exception under KOMA. Yeas: DeWeese, Gridley, Hansen, Miller, Preisser, Oldham, Thimesch. Nays: none. Motion carried 7-0.

Superintendent Reed left the Executive session at 7:45 p.m.

President DeWeese declared the meeting in open session at 7:50 p.m.

Motion made by Brent Hansen, seconded by Joyce Gridley, to go back into executive session for 10 minutes at 7:50 p.m. to discuss an individual employee contract for the non- elected exception under KOMA. Yeas: DeWeese, Gridley, Hansen, Miller, Preisser, Oldham, Thimesch. Nays: none. Motion carried 7-0.

Superintendent Reed returned to the Executive session at 7:55 p.m.

President DeWeese declared the meeting in open session at 8:00 p.m.

Discussion was had. Board consensus was to wait to have the board retreat. Dates will be determined at a later meeting.

Motion made by Travis Thimesch, seconded by Vicki Oldham to approve the 2018-2019 Site Council as presented with Board Member Brent Miller as Board Representative. (On file.) Yeas: DeWeese, Miller, Hansen, Gridley,

Thimesch, Preisser, Oldham. Nays: none. Motion carried 7-0.

Board discussed 2nd publication of budget.

Superintendent reviewed KASB recommended policy updates. Discussion followed.

Motion made by Brent Miller, seconded by Joyce Gridley to approve Kristen Young as District Treasurer Yeas: DeWeese, Miller, Hansen, Gridley, Thimesch, Preisser, Oldham. Nays: none. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion made by Travis Thimesch, seconded by Vicki Oldham to approve a 2.5% salary increase for Superintendent Reed. Yeas: DeWeese, Miller, Hansen, Gridley, Thimesch, Preisser, Oldham. Nays: none. Motion carried 7-0.

Board discussed Online classes and electives offered by the district.

Motion made by Brent Miller, seconded by Joyce Gridley, to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m. Yeas: DeWeese, Miller, Hansen, Gridley, Thimesch, Preisser, Oldham. Nays: none. Motion carried 7-0.

The next regular meeting of the West Kingman County Unified School District No. 332 Board of Education will be at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 10, 2018, in the Board of Education Office at 104 W 4th St., Cunningham, Kansas.

Nationwide Test of the Emergency Alerting Systems Postponed Until October 3, 2018

FEMA, in coordination with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), postponed the nationwide test of the Emergency Alert System (EAS) and Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) until October 3 due to ongoing response efforts to Hurricane Florence.

The WEA portion of the test commences at 2:18 p.m. EDT, and the

EAS portion follows at 2:20 p.m. EDT. The test will assess the operational readiness of the infrastructure for distribution of a national message and determine whether improvements are needed.

October 3 was the previously scheduled back-up date for the test, which was originally set up for this Thursday, September 20. A backup date is always planned in case of widespread severe weather or other significant events on the primary test date. FEMA and the nation's emergency management community remain committed to the life-saving

activities occurring through parts of North Carolina and South Carolina.

For further information on the test, go to <https://www.fema.gov/emergency-alert-test>.

Background: In 2007, FEMA began modernizing the nation's public alert and warning system by integrating new technologies into the existing alert systems. The new system, known as the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) became operational in 2011. Today, IPAWS supports more than 1,000 state, local, tribal, territorial and federal users through a standardized

message format. IPAWS enables public safety alerting authorities such as emergency managers, police, and fire departments to send the same alert and warning message over multiple communication pathways at the same time to citizens in harm's way, helping to save lives. For more information on FEMA's IPAWS, go to: www.fema.gov/ipaws. For more preparedness information, go to www.ready.gov.

FEMA's mission is to help people prepare before, during and after disasters.

FOR SURE! School Spotlight Page will appear next week. (it's not too late to grab a sponsor's spot)



CATHOLIC Masses
St. Leo
 Sunday, Sept. 23, 2018
 10:00 a.m.
St. John's, Zenda
 Sunday, Sept. 23, 2018
 8:30 a.m.
Sacred Heart, Cunningham
 Saturday, Sept. 22, 2018
 5:30 p.m.
St. Peter's, Willowdale
 Saturday, Sept. 22, 2108
 4:00 p.m.
 Fr. Roger Lumbre
 620-243-5451
 620-298-2601
 620-246-5370

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Penalosa
 Sunday Bible
 Class 10:00 a.m.
 Worship
 11:00 a.m.
 Afternoon Worship
 1:30 at Penalosa
 Community Center
 Mid-Week Bible Study
 Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.
 620-532-2684

CHRISTIAN
Cunningham
 Sunday School
 9:30 a.m.
 Worship
 10:45 a.m.
 Bible Study
 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Prayer
 Meeting 7:00 p.m.
 Pastor Mike McGovney
 620-298-3201
 620-770-9507

LUTHERAN
St. John's
Nashville
 Sunday School
 & Bible Class
 9:15 a.m.
 Worship Service
 10:30 a.m.
Trinity
Medicine Lodge
 Morning
 Worship 8:30 a.m.
 Sunday School
 & Bible Class
 9:45 a.m.
 620-656-7431
 Pastor Dennis
 Fangmeyer
 620-246-5220
 Cell: 620-886-0911

UNITED METHODIST
Penalosa
 Worship
 9:15 a.m.
Cunningham
 Sunday School
 9:45 a.m.
 Worship 10:45 a.m.
 Pastor Katelyn Hilger
 620-298-2090

UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH
Zenda
 101 N. Main
 Sunday Worship
 9 a.m.
 Sunday School:
 Children 8:30 a.m.
 Adult 10:00 a.m.
 (3rd Sunday of each
 month breakfast fellow-
 ship at : 8:30 a.m.)
 (United Methodist
 Women meet the 1st
 Tues. monthly: 6:30
 p.m.)
 Pastor Ken Keeling

YEARS AGO IN

The Cunningham Clipper

W. A. BRADLEY, EDITOR

Sept. 19, 1968 – United Methodist Church Monday evening.

Sept. 19, 1963 – Cunningham's school population totals 220 students enrolled in the three schools in the city. Cunningham Rural High School has 92 students, Cunningham Grade School 89, and Sacred Heart Parochial School 39.

Radioman Third Class Lowell Gridley, who is stationed aboard the destroyer, USS Hollister, now in drydock in Long Beach, Calif., is spending a leave visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Gridley, and family.

Ann Kathryn Eck and Harold D. Venard were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony performed in St. Leo's Church, Saturday afternoon, Sept. 14, at one o'clock. Rev. Michael Leis, pastor, read the marriage vows before an altar decorated in arrangements of pink and white carnations.

Mrs. Frances Nossaman was hostess to the Sunshine Club in her home, Tuesday afternoon.

The Cunningham Lions Club held their regular bi-monthly meeting at Mary's HiWay Café, Tuesday evening.

The Cunningham YWCA held their first meeting of the new year with a salad supper in the undercroft of the

Private Kenneth Spade completed his basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., last week, and was transferred to Fort Sill, Okla., last Saturday, where he will take 13 weeks artillery training.

The Rebecca Lodge held their first regular meeting following the summer adjournment in the Lodge Hall last Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Rufus Leiter was hostess to the Better Homes and Gardens Club last Thursday afternoon.

Den Two of the Cunningham Cub Scout Pack met at the home of Den Mother Mrs. Harold Schreck last Wednesday afternoon after school.

The Cunningham 4-H Club held their regular monthly meeting in the high school recreation

room, Monday evening.

The grade school softball teams went to Belmont last Friday afternoon for two games. The boys won their game, but the girls lost their contest with the Belmont girls.

Private David Amick, who recently completed his basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., has been transferred to Fort Sill, Okla., where he will take 13 weeks artillery training.

Sept. 18, 1958 – Column One by Editor Bill Bradley

We like the one about the dealer who advertised a slightly used TV set as "used by a little old lady with weak eyes."

Charles Greenwood is helping out at the Clipper office. Charles is an old-time hand at the printing game, having been an employee of the Pittsburg, Kans. Headlight and Sun from 1918 to 1934. He is a patient at the Hilltop House Nursing Home.

Our eyes popped out when we were handed a menu by Mrs. Vera McClarnon of Vera's Café the other morning. Heading the sandwich list was hamburgers 10¢; fried ham sandwiches 15¢; egg sandwiches 10¢; etc. I was gasping for the breath to order a tableful of sandwiches when she told me that the menu was from Vera's Café in Holyrood when she was there in 1934.

Off the Record – Just about the time you think you can make both ends meet, somebody moves the ends.

The Cunningham Rural High School Wildcats football team will open the 1958-1959 season, Friday evening, when they play the Medicine Lodge Rural High School Indians at Medicine Lodge.

For Cunningham, the situation can best be described in the sentence, the team is two years old and the coach is one year old. Cunningham is playing its second full season of football in the past 29 years, and managed a winning 3-1 record last year, but will lack the experience that comes from having a football program at the school in previous years. For Coach Gerald (Pete) Keenan, it's his first year in coaching and he and his boys are going to play their level best during the coming nine games.

The steel beams to be used in the construction of the new bridge across the Ninnescah River north of town, were

unloaded at the Santa Fe Depot last week-end.

Sept. 18, 1953 – Action by the City Council at a special meeting on August 24, raised the minimum on water bills to two dollars.

Fire destroyed a chicken house and threatened the barn and other property at the Ed Renner home in the south part of town, shortly after noon Wednesday. Volunteer firemen extinguished the blaze in the barn and saved it from destruction, but the chicken house was a total loss.

Mrs. Eula Witt of Cunningham, will present a travelogue of her recent trip to England to attend the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II at the High School Auditorium next Tuesday evening. The public is cordially invited to attend this program starting at eight o'clock.

Sept. 17, 1948 – Mrs. Anna Steffen announces the engagement of her daughter Dorothy to Clair McElwain of Mullinville, son of R. A. McElwain of Burrton. The wedding will be an event of October 24th.

Marriage vows for Margaret Louise McNamee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy McNamee of Cunningham, and Robert Elliot of Denver, Colorado, were solemnized Tuesday noon, September 14th, at Christ Methodist church in Denver.

Chick Howell had the misfortune to lose his truck which was loaded with approximately 30 bushels of wheat, by fire, Tuesday evening. The truck caught fire while being driven one mile south and one-half mile east of Cunningham. The fire was thought to have ignited from gasoline leaking on the exhaust pipe. Chick, who was driving the truck, was not injured, and reports that he saved only his shovel which he was using to scoop sand and dirt in an effort to extinguish the fire.

Bananas, lb., 15c
 White Seedless

Grapes, lb., 15c
 Head Lettuce, each 10c
 California Slicing Tomatoes, lb. 15c
 Red Triumph Potatoes, 10 lbs., 43c
 Sweet Potatoes, 2 lbs. 15c
 Hauser's Market

Sept. 17, 1943 – Work is progressing quite rapidly on the erection of company houses on the Helium Plant site west of town. Fifty houses are to be built and the foundations for nearly all are already laid, with several houses nearing completion. The houses are being built in rows of fifteen. They are prefabricated and demountable and are five- or six-room. Construction of the houses is under contract to the Southern Mills Manufacturing Company of Tulsa, Okla. The plant proper is beginning to take shape now with the erection of two long engine sheds, a huge collecting tank, and an eight-foot cyclone fence on the premises.

Sixty-three pupils are enrolled in Cunningham Rural High School for the 1943-1944 year, according to an announcement this week by Principal C.L. Zink. Principal Miss Cozette Taylor stated this week that Cunningham Grade School has a total enrollment of one hundred and ten students, with the first grade leading in total class enrollment with twenty-three.

Cunningham has attained a population of four hundred and two. The total population of Kingman County is 10,658.

Sept. 16, 1938 – The student body voted this week to change the school sport team nickname and insignia. Sports teams will now be called the "Wildcatters," and the new insignia features an oil derrick.

The Wildcatters scored a 25-8 decision over Belmont High School in a baseball game played here last Friday afternoon. Norman Schnitker was on the pitcher's mound for Cunningham.

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St. John's Parish
 Annual Fall Supper
Sunday, October 14, 2018
 Zenda, Kansas

Serving:
 Spiral Ham, Sausage, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Corn, Salads, and Pies.

Place: St. John's Parish Hall
Zenda, KS

Adults: \$10.00
 5-10 Years \$5.00
 4 years and under Free

Serving from 4pm until 7pm

Proceeds from the meal go to the St John Catholic Church Repair Fund.

Soulis Fine Art Auction
 Sept. 29, 9:30 am
 Free Fine Art Evaluations
 SoulisAuctions.com
 816.697.3830

Thomas Berger Johnson (1890-1968)
 Works by Kansas and Other Mid-West Artists

Fundraisers and Charitable Contributions in our Community

Community Center
 (leave donation at the bank)

Funds for Future Readers
 (Cunningham Public Library)

4C Day Care and Schwans-care.com
 (Kathy Albers 620-298-2725 or 620-388-0774)

West Kingman County Education Foundation
 Use your Dillon's Card!
 (Janet DeWeese 620-298-2717)

Hands of Hope
 (contact Fitzsimmons Insurance or any church)

Blessing Box
 (United Methodist Church)

Love's Travel Center's Children's Miracle Network Fundraising

24th Annual Wichita Model Train Show

Wichita Toy Train Club
 Sat. Sept. 22, 9am - 5pm
 Sun. Sept. 23, 10am - 3pm
 Cessna Activity Center
 2744 George Washington Blvd
 Wichita, Kansas

Exhibits, Buy, Sell, Parts & Repairs, All Gauges Z, N, HO, S, O & G
 Children's Depot, Concessions & Door Prizes

Admission: \$8 for both days. Children under 18 FREE with paid adult.

www.WichitaToyTrainMuseum.org

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YEARS AGO

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Sept. 15, 1933 – Mr. Glen Patton of Caldwell, came to Cunningham this week, where he will take over the management of this division of Western Power and Light Company.

The Santa Fe Railroad surveyed for track to accommodate twice their present capacity of tank cars at the Skelly Oil Company's loading dock west of town during the past week, when the additional spur track is laid, about two thousand barrels of oil per day will be shipped from Cunningham. So far during the month of September, forty-five cars of crude oil have been shipped to Skelly's refinery in El Dorado.

Sept. 14, 1928 – The Western Light and Power

Company has a new electric washing machine for sale at their Cunningham office. This machine is the latest thing in washers, and sells for about ninety dollars.

The payment of the final dividend on The First State Bank of Cunningham was completed this week by Mr. Robert Collins, Assistant Receiver, and the bank is no more. The bank went broke in 1925, final settlement totals show that a forty-two and one-fourth percent dividend has been paid to depositors.

Mr. Jim Vermillion walked away with the catfish prize in the annual Kingman County Fishing Derby, sponsored by Ferguson's Hardware in Kingman. Mr. Vermillion won a new rod, reel, and line for catching a ten-pound flathead catfish.



Local artist, Mark Thimesch, will have an art show "Essence of Charcoal" at L'image on Friday, September 28th, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The works will be on display until October 13th.

His art work will be for sale. L'image is located at 615 W. Douglas Avenue in Wichita. Free snacks will be offered and wine and beer will be available to the 21 and over patrons.

"Often what words can not express, such feelings and sentiments can be released in art. The dynamic contrasts that can be created using black and white has always been a preference of mine. I find drawing with shades of black and grey preferable for capturing emotions found within society and expressed in our culture." --Mark Thimesch

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Community Bulletin Board

Thursday, September 20th 4:00 p.m. Cross Country at Larned	Tuesday, Sept. 25th 4:00 p.m. HS VB at Norwich with Burton
Thursday, September 20th 4:00 p.m. at Cunningham JH VB vs. Skyline	Wednesday, Sept. 26th Book Club 7:00 p.m. at ...somewhere
Thursday, September 20th 6:00 p.m. at Cunningham JH FB vs. Skyline	Wednesday, Sept. 26th Fall Individual, Sports and Senior Pictures
Friday, September 21, 7:00 p.m. HS FB vs. Hugoton	Thursday September 27th 4:00 p.m. Cross Country at Pratt
Saturday, September 22, 8:00 a.m. HS VB at Central-Burden Tournament	Thurs. September 27th 9:30 a.m.. Toddler Time Returns to CPL
Recycling Monday, Sept. 24th	Thursday September 27th 4:00 p.m. JH VB at Stafford
City Council Monday, Sept. 24th 6:30 p.m.	Thursday September 27th 6:00 p.m JH FB at Stafford
Monday, Sept. 24th HS JV FB at Halstead	

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Sunflower Spotlight:
Non-Conference Fun Facts

by Shawn Schaller

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Despite his lack of clock- and quarterback-management skills, I suppose I'll put off my "KU Head Coach Candidates" article a while longer. Instead, let's celebrate the fact that KU and K-State each played their best game of the season last weekend with a handful of fun facts.

5 (part 1): Five total quarterbacks from KU and K-State have accumulated a grand total of 1309 yards (rushing and passing) in six total games.

5 (part 2): K-State's Skylar Thompson (K-State, So. QB) has accounted for 518 total of those yards and five touchdowns, despite sharing time with Alex Delton (K-State, Jr. QB).

5 (part 3): Washington State's Gardner Minshew had 1,233 yards (1,203 passing) in three games. Hawaii's Cole McDonald has compiled 1,640 total (1,486 passing), albeit in four games.

4: Pooka Williams (KU, Fr. RB) has run for 283 yards, good for top-30 in the nation, but in just two games (141.5 yards/game) on a healthy 8.8 yards per attempt, good for No. 11 (tied) in the nation.

3: Isaiah Zuber (K-State, Jr. WR) has accumulated 387 total yards

and four touchdowns receiving and returning, good for more than 19 yards per touch.

2: KU leads the nation in turnover margin (+6.0) thanks a relatively stout defense led by Joe Dineen (KU, Sr. LB), who is contributing 13 tackles per game and 26 solo, good for second in the nation.

1: KU and K-State each have 2 wins. That's not bad, considering five power-five conference schools are still winless, including the likes of UCLA, Nebraska and conference foe Iowa State, while several notable teams including Florida State and USC are still just 1-2.

This week, KU (2-1) plays at Baylor (2-1) at 2:30 pm (FS1). Despite last week's home loss to Duke, the Bears are off to a respectable start on the strength of their top-20 passing attack, and are favored to beat the Jayhawks. K-State faces much stiffer competition, and plays its first road game of the season at No. 12 West Virginia at 2:30 pm (ESPN). The Mountaineers are heavy favorites, and are coming off a week in which their contest with NC State was canceled due to the weather conditions on the East Coast.



Meanderings

My readers are so funny! Some complain I need more pictures. "The whole paper could be pictures and I'd be happy." Others complain I have too many pictures. My dad told me last week, "You need more news; you have too many pictures." I explained to Dad we live in a town of about 400 people, there is only so much news I can scare up. I did suggest putting a recording device under the tables at the local coffee shops to get my news. He said, "Well, I wouldn't do THAT!" and someone else said it would be interesting to see how I would edit out the language of the men's coffee shop talk.

I can remember Mrs. DeWeese imparting this great wisdom to me: "There's a reason they say a picture's worth a thousand words." Let me tell you, when there are many pictures, you have a great deal of "reading" to do, folks.

When parents and grandparents see pictures of their young ones in the newspaper they are happy. When there aren't so many pictures of other people's children and grandchildren, others are happy.

Most folks like this little column. I enjoy writing it. I get to expound on whatever I have on my mind, or whatever I don't have on my mind. Some of my readers are partial to the book reviews or suggestions, others enjoy my little quips about my life and the lives of others, and the book talks annoy them. But if it wasn't for the books I read, there are many ideas and life experiences I'd not be able to write about.

So when I don't write about books, some people are happy, and when I write about books other people are happy. There you have it. You can't be happy all the time.

I've written over 50 columns so far... that's a lot of writing and talking and visiting with you all. Readers do tell me which columns they like best. I had a couple of positive remarks on my favorite column – the one about all the jobs I have had. (My all-time favorite thus far.)

Some folks liked my column about the many interesting characters I encountered at the Love's Travel Center when I worked there. (I quit the end of August). I miss the customers and people and travelers and stories, but I have a great deal more energy since I gave up that job.

I had several complimentary remarks about the two-part column I wrote just a month or so ago. The stories about Khampou and Kam, my young Laotian friends from the early 1980's.

I've had people tell

me they've read books I've suggested and really enjoyed them. For whatever reason, I am always surprised by that. I always think, "Wow! Someone actually reads what I write!" It is rather humbling.

I do really enjoy comments from my readers. Most are very positive. There are a few who will grumble about one thing or another. I take it all with a 'grain of salt'. Some don't like the clips from the old newspapers of years past, and some really enjoy reading them and reminiscing. Sometimes I put them in the paper, sometimes I don't...so some folks are happy when they are in there and some folks are happy when they aren't.

People enjoyed the recent family stories sent in by our friends, Bill and Deanna Parker. It's old news, but interesting. There is much to learn about news from the days of yore. And I love the writing styles! So much fun to learn new ways of saying something and new words that are actually old words we no longer use.

I really put a lot of thought into what goes into the paper and where I put it. I have found it isn't always easy to make everything fit. I played a great deal of Tetris when I was younger, and I am finding the skills I learned there can be used here in the newspaper...and in a shopping cart at the grocery store as well.

As I write and as I put this paper together, I think about my different subscribers and maybe I find something that will appeal to one or more people.

Kandi Will told me she always felt the Cunningham Courier was talking to her when she read it, and I try to keep that in mind when I write or decide to put something in.

When I write book suggestions, I can think of someone who would enjoy that book, and I try to think of them sitting in front of me while I tell about it.

Many people think they can't write, but we all can. We just put down on paper what we'd say out loud. I'm done meandering... I'm out of room.

Thank you, readers, for subscribing (think about a gift subscription for a friend) and thank you for commenting and for reading.

Always reading, and currently reading, "The General's Daughter" by Nelson DeMille, Roberta



"You must write every single day of your life... You must lurk in libraries and climb the stacks like ladders to sniff books like perfumes and wear books like hats upon your crazy heads... may you be in love every day for the next 20,000 days. And out of that love, remake a world." — Ray Bradbury

Library
 New at CPL

Mona Steffen Memorial

Adult Fiction

The Emperor of Shoes by Spencer Wise
Shelter in Place by Nora Roberts
Crazy Rich Asians by Kevin Kwam
Kiss Carlo by Adriana Trigiani

My Grandmother Asked Me to Tell You She's Sorry by Fredrik Backman

The President is Missing by Bill Clinton and James Patterson
Tailspin by Sandra Brown

There There by Tommy Orange
When We Found Home by Susan Mallery
Fahrenheit 451 (60th Anniversary Edition) by Ray Bradbury

J.D. Robb, In Death Series: Secrets in Death (2017)

Lisa Scottoline, Rosato & DiNunzio Series: Feared (2018)

Iris Johansen, Eve Duncan Series: Mind Game (2017)

Daniel Silva, Gabriel Allon Series:

Black Widow (2016)
The Other Woman (2018)

Laurie King, Mary Russell and Sherlock Holmes Series: The Murder of Mary Russell (2016)

Young Adult Fiction

Against all Silence: an SOS Thriller by E.C. Myers

Leah on the Offbeat by Becky Albertalli
Neanderthal Opens the Door to the Universe by Preston Norton

Smoke in the Sun by Renee Ahdieh
Far From the Tree (National Book Award Winner) by Robin Benway

Long Way Down by Jason Reynolds

Junior Fiction

Wings of Fire Series by Tui Sutherland

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Free Bread & Baked Goods at the Cunningham Methodist Church 1 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesdays

To Donate or Loan items to the Cunningham Museum, please contact Donna Glenn

Cross Country Runners Place at St. John Meet

article and photos by Bob Stackhouse

It was a windy mosquito invested day at the Stafford golf course on September 13, 2018 for our third cross country meet of the season. Four Cunningham runners competed in the JV 5k race with 54 participants. Daylen Schnittker placed 1st in a time of 19:10.25 and Skylar Hennessee came in 9th to also medal in a time of 22:06.47. Shawn Snow and Vitor Abreu ran in their first race of the season and placed 26th and 37th, re-

spectively. Shawn's time was 24:22.06 and Vitor ran a 26:14.44 time. The teams participating included: Andale, St. John, Ellinwood, Ellsworth, Larned, Fairfield, Skyline, Central Plains, Sterling, Haven, Pretty Prairie, Stafford, Lyons, Macksville, and Cunningham.

The Cats enjoyed pizza at Elroy's in Stafford in the 11th year of this tradition. A good time was had by all.

The Cats will travel to Larned next Thursday with races beginning at 4:00pm. Thanks to all of the family and friends who came out to watch.



Great Expectations Continued!

by Nadine Hope

As the 2018 Volleyball season progresses, the Lady Cats' style and rhythm also progress. This is a team to take note of as good things will keep happening. Tuesday, September 11, 2018, Cunningham traveled a short distance to Fairfield for a triangular with South Barber. The Cats opened with their nemesis from the south. CHS, as is their signature (which we are working to change!), started off slowly. Missed serves were an issue throughout this match and took a toll during this first set. Finding the CHS rhythm was slow and very inconsistent. Alayna McGuire served three in a row, but other than that, CHS only scored on side out points. We cannot beat any team with that type of play and especially not the Chieftains. Set two was back and forth throughout one and a half complete service rotations. Neither team could seem to earn more than one point from a side out at a time. Mid way through the Chieftains second rotation, they

put together a string of three serves to take a 16-13 lead. Cunningham held on and continued to pound the ball from the front line until they tied at 18. Maddison Panek took charge of serving during her third rotation and pounded the final six serves. Meanwhile, in the front line, Holly DeWeese drilled a few new holes in the court with the help of her teammates' passing and setting. Coverage was beginning to flow and the Cats were communicating and just playing in the zone. Set three was another tight game. South Barber held a slight lead at 13-10 and the Cats had the opportunity to close the gap, but we let nerves get to us and that effected the serving and coverage. South Barber was able to maintain just enough of a lead that the Cats had to focus and play catch up. A few missed spikes, or missed opportunities of pounding the ball and of course serving created more pressure for the ladies. The Chieftains would finally gain the upper hand 25-21 for the match win, but it was a great match to watch. Cunningham did some amazing digs and sets and hits and blocks. We

need to learn to not let one mistake or bad pass or miss hit turn into three or four. Now to just get it all clicking on the same night at the same time and this team will be unstoppable!

In the second match with Fairfield, CHS took charge from the beginning. The serves we so desperately needed in the previous match were in full force against this struggling Falcon team. Alexa Fischer lead the team with seven successive points to give the Cats a 10-2 start. Alayna McGuire and Lauren Murphy each added a string of three. In set two, Holly DeWeese led the serving charge with her own seven successive points and McGuire had another nice run with four in a row. The match ended quickly 25-11; 25-14.

Where were these serves during match one? According to one player, they weren't there because we were too tight. Well said and a lesson that we will continue to correct.

The junior varsity team had a slow start and lost their first set to the Falcons 20-25. The problems were corrected and the Lady Cats came back in set two for a quick 25-

12 victory. Serving was better as was overall play. Annabelle Hansen started the Cats off with five in a row. Bekka McDonald and Maddie Dowsey each had a nice three point stretch. This group of ladies are getting more consistent each week and working hard on their overall play.

Enjoying their court time, the JV Lady Cats dominated the Chieftains in set one. Our first three servers, Alayna McGuire, Annabelle Hansen and Morgan Meyers had three, three and four consecutive points respectively. After three side outs, we were back to the beginning rotation and Alayna McGuire put the hammer down with seven consecutive serves for the 25-7 victory. The Cats only allowed the Chieftains to score one point other than side out points. Set two was another dominant win for the Cats at 25-13. Again, McGuire would lead the pack with another seven successive serves. Annabelle and Abby Hansen each had a nice three point stretch. Other than their slow start at the beginning of the afternoon, the JV Lady Cats played some great volleyball!

And Another W

by Nadine Hope

The Cunningham Junior High Volleyball team took a trip to Burrton for an afternoon of nothing but Volleyball! We started the day watching the varsity rack up another tally in the W column. It was such a fun afternoon seeing the improvement this group of young gals made this week. We had some really great volleys with bump, pass, hit and I mean a real standing spike! Maranda Lohrke led the serving attack in set one with five fabulous serves to help seal the deal 25-18. In set two, it took us a complete rotation before we got in rhythm with our serves. Both teams made a complete rotation without much scoring until Alice Huelskamp took advantage of her second service term and popped four in a row to put the Cats ups 13-9. Leading 16-14, the Cats had a difficult time with serve receiving and allowed the Chargers to gain a one point lead. Taking care of business one serve at a time, the Cats tied the game at 20. Again, Burrton gained a two point advantage but the Cats did a nice job stopping the attack there. Taylor Schultz took advantage of her second serve rotation and tied the game at 22. After a Charger time out, Taylor continued her assault

and drilled the last three points to seal the victory, 25-22. These ladies did an amazing job maintaining their composure while continuing to play with our new normal! Great Job!

The second set of games consisted of our B team. Brianna Ditmer started the first set with four in a row and Ada Adams would contribute three in a row. This group of young players did a great job of serving, but need to work on moving to the ball. In set two, Elizabeth Paris, Ellie McGuire and Kaitlyn Hennessee each had a nice triple service rotation. However, we again had a hard time moving to the ball and making a good pass. The Chargers overpowered the Cats 25-22; 25-20.

An additional set of C team games were played as well so our six 6th graders had an opportunity for a little extra court time. Although it took us a bit to organize on the court, once we figured that out, we played well. In set two, Ava Bock had ten serves in a row!!!! Fabulous work, Ava! During the thirty minute time limit, Cunningham came out on top with three sets: 13-25; 25-18; 15-7. This was such a great opportunity for our young players and they improved a great deal as the time advanced.



Third Annual Kansas State Fair Forensics Showcase

photos and article submitted by Carrie Vahsholtz

Kansas State Fair's third annual Forensics Showcase.

Alayna McGuire, a freshman at Cunningham last year, placed 6th in the the State of Kansas with her poetry piece, "The Princess and the Pea", by Kendra Sparks.



Engineers of Tomorrow

photos and article courtesy of USD 332

The CHS Robotics team is making progress on their robot for the BEST competition. In this year's game, called Current Events,



Above left: Henry, Shawn, and Levi discuss ideas for the robot's movement on the track.

Above right: Ethan, Taner, and Matt design robot arm plans on CAD software.

the robot will compete with others to see which team can pick up the most ocean trash, deliver it to the team's Field Engineer, analyze current movement, and help sea turtles to be recovered by the Field Scientist. The teacher and sponsor of this class is Sebastian Huelskamp.



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It's Germy Time!

Photos and article by Kathy Hartley



The kindergarten class enjoyed a lesson presented by Andrea Wood from the Kingman County Extension Office. Each month she comes and reads a book and provides a snack to match the lesson. This month we learned the importance of washing our hands so we won't spread germs and get sick. After listening to the story, "Germs, Germs, Germs" we used some magic germ lotion and tried our best to wash them off. Some of us still need a little practice! Andrea finished the lesson by letting each student design a giant germ snack made from crackers, peanut butter, pretzels, and raisins!



Local students among summer 2018 graduates of Fort Hays State University

HAYS, Kan. – Local and area students are among the 616 who completed associate, bachelor's or graduate degrees at Fort Hays State University in the summer 2018 term. Graduates are listed with their degrees and majors and, in parentheses, areas of concentration. The university conferred 149 graduate degrees (master's, Education Specialist and Doctor of Nursing Practice), 454 bachelor's degrees and 13 associate degrees.

Cunningham: Mollie Panek, a Bachelor of General Studies (child development)

Kingman: Nathan P. Wilson, a Bachelor of Science in agricultural business.

Trey DeWeese Donates to Museum

Story and photo by Judy DeWeese

As his 4-H project this year, Trey DeWeese built a bookshelf to donate to the Cunningham museum. He spent 25 hours constructing and painting the project and received a purple ribbon at the Kingman County Fair. Museum Curator (is that Donna's title???) Donna Glenn stated over a year ago that if she had a bookshelf, then she would have a place to display 4-H photo albums and scrapbooks. Through Trey's hard work this summer, there is now a display shelf so 4-H memorabilia can be shared with the public.

The Cunningham 4-H Club was established in 1949. If any community members have scrapbooks from their 4-H days, speak to Donna if you wish to add them to the display.



Drive-Through Flu Shot Clinic Helps Health Department Practice for Disasters

Tornados. Floods. Infectious disease outbreaks. Public health emergencies will happen, and they will all challenge community resources. Business as usual is disrupted. Concerned citizens want to help. Clear thinking is difficult in the midst of di-

saster, requiring an organized approach to navigate catastrophe. Sometimes, the situation may call for life-saving medications or vaccines to be given in a short time. Many people, perhaps all Kingman County's residents, might need to receive some kind of protective treatment quickly. A *point-of-dispensing exercise* would need to be organized to distribute this medicine in an efficient and organized way. Health Departments, including the Kingman

County Health Department, receive federal funding to prepare for and intervene public health emergencies. Health Departments must periodically practice their disaster plans. Kingman County Health Department will be practicing part of their emergency response plan with the *Drive-Thru to Stop the Flu Point-of-Dispensing Exercise* Friday, September 21.

In a real emergency, it's a race against time to provide protective medication to

the public, as the goal is to get everyone in the affected population protected within 48 hours. Local health departments work with state preparedness officials at the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) to make sure the required elements that would need to be addressed in a real disaster are addressed in practice. Once the exercise plan is approved by KDHE officials and put into action by the local health department, every-

one involved with the exercise will sit down afterward and discuss the successes and frustrations during the practice exercise. The emergency preparedness plan is then improved for the next practice or for when the real disaster happens.

Want to be a part of Kingman County Health Department's emergency-preparedness process? The *Drive-Thru to Stop the Flu* starts Friday, September 21 at 11:00 am. The

drive-through route starts at the Kingman County Expo Center parking lot. Consent forms are available at the event, or they can be picked up at the Health Department at 125 N. Spruce before Friday to be completed beforehand. We ask that those wanting flu vaccine through the flu shot drive-through exercise have consent forms completed and in line by 12:50 pm because we must stop vaccinating at 1 pm to meet exercise requirements. Insurance will be

billed for this exercise, but flu shots provided in the exercise are no-cost—anything not covered by insurance will not be billed to those receiving their flu shot during this exercise.

Flu vaccines for children under 18 years will not be available at this event. Flu vaccine for children and for those not participating in the Drive-Thru to Stop the Flu exercise will be available starting Monday, September 24.

Drive-Thru to Stop the Flu is Friday, September 21

Get a head start on flu illness prevention by getting your flu shot Friday, September 21 at the *Drive-Thru to Stop the Flu Point-of-dispensing* exercise organized by the

Kingman County Health Department. The drive-through route starts at the Kingman County Expo Center parking lot at 11 am and runs through 1 pm. Health department officials ask participants to have completed consent forms in hand by 12:50 pm so the exercise can end promptly at 1 pm. Also, due to

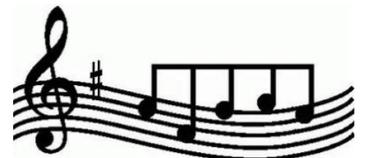
special considerations in vaccinating children, children under 18 years of age will not be vaccinated during this exercise. Flu shots for people not participating in the point-of-dispensing exercise will be available at the Health Department Monday, September 24.

Cunningham Marching Band Plays at State Fair



photo courtesy of Hutchinson News

The Cunningham High School Marching Band performed at the Kansas State Fair, and was photographed by the Hutchinson News. The band is under the direction of Mr. Gregory Johnson.



Cunningham Community Garage Sale Day



Saturday, October 13, 2018

Contact City Hall at (620) 298-3077

to place your sale on the map (no charge).

Sponsored by City of Cunningham

Maps available Thursday, October 11th

At City Hall, FitzSimmons Insurance, and Ninescah Valley Bank

??Mystery Picture??



I'm not sure where this is....The one thing I forgot to do was to ask for the exact location of the mystery pictures from the picture-taker. An answer key would be nice!



It can't be too difficult to locate this wild beast!

"Besides shopping at garage sales, I love hosting garage sales. Every year my mom and I dig through our houses and find a bunch of crap (I mean really terrific stuff) to sell so we can earn some money so we can go back out and buy some more crap (I mean really terrific stuff) that we'll use for a bit and then turn around and garage-sale in a couple of years. It's the circle of life suburban style."

— Jen Mann, *People I Want to Punch in the Throat: Competitive Crafters, Drop-Off Despots, and Other Suburban Scourges*

CONCESSION STAND MENU

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH
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County Commission Meeting

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on September 10th, 2018. Those present: John Steffen, Chairman; Fred Foley, Commissioner; Jerry Henning, Commissioner; Carol Noblit, County Clerk

Visitors: Larry Landwehr; Jason Jump, Leader-Courier; Carol Voran; Steve Parsons; Mattie Giefer; Marvin Windows Representative; Richard Rohloff, Rohloff Construction.

Staff: Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Sheriff Randy Hill; Heather Kinsler, 911 Dispatch Director; Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director.

Chairman Steffen called the regular Board of County Commissioners to order at 8:00 a.m.

Chairman Steffen would like to add discussion of the LEC RFP.

MOTION: Comm. Foley moved to approve the agenda with the addition of LEC RFP discussion. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Steffen asked if there was any public comment. No public comment.

Carol D. Noblit, County Clerk submitted paper bids from the following:

Office Plus of Kansas 40 Cases \$1,198.00

Bolen Office Supply 40 Cases \$1,330.00

MOTION: Comm. Foley moved to approve the bid from Office Plus of Kansas in the amount of \$1,198.00. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Stan Goetz, and Steve Ramsey, Community Service Director discussed Community Service.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session at 8:18 a.m. with Stan Goetz, HR and Steve Ramsey, Community Service Director to discuss an individual employee's performance. The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 8:35 a.m. with no binding action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Steffen moved to go into executive session at 8:35 a.m. with Stan Goetz, and Steve Ramsey, Community Service Director to discuss an individual employee's performance. The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 8:40 a.m. with no binding action taken.

Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer requested a non-elect executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Henning

moved to go into executive session at 8:42 a.m. with Stan Goetz, and Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer to discuss an individual employee's performance. The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 9:00 a.m. with no binding action taken.

Larry Landwehr was in to talk to the County Commissioners about Economic Development. Mr. Landwehr had suggestions on what could be done to help the Economic Development of Kingman County.

Mr. Landwehr said there needs to be emphasis on a goal. The board needs to take action.

The County Clerk submitted the minutes from the August 27th, 2018 Commission Meeting for approval.

MOTION: Comm. Foley moved to approve the minutes of the August 27th, 2018 Commission Meeting. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Sheriff Randy Hill was in with a disaster declaration for the Board of County Commissioners signature.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve Resolution 2018-13 and Proclamation of a State of Local Disaster for Kingman County, Kansas. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners discussed some of the damages around the County.

Sheriff Hill let the Commissioners know that he has to have all damages reported turned in by September 17th, 2018.

Chairman Steffen read correspondence from Hy-Grade Aggregates, LLC regarding not be included in the bid process.

Chairman Steffen read correspondence from the Federal Aviation Administration letting the Commissioners know that they are conducting an aeronautical study on a wind farm site in Harper County.

Commissioners opened the following bids for the Window Project:

CDK

Phase #1 \$147,692.60 without sash \$138,325.00

Phase #2 \$109,780.00 no screens included

Rohloff Construction: Phase #1 \$268,613.00

Phase #2 \$137,050.00

MOTION: Comm. Henning moved to reject all bids. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director and Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer were in with the notice of award for the RCB Extensions that needed the Commissioners signature.

Mr. Arensdorf and the County Commissioners discussed road damages.

Mr. Bachenberg let the Commissioners know that the Murdock curve will bid let in November of 2019.

Mr. Bachenberg let the Commissioners know about a series of meetings held by KDOT and the closest one will be in Newton on October 4th, 2018.

Stan Goetz, gave the Commissioners a copy of the Department Head Meeting minutes.

Mr. Goetz let the Commissioners know that the Planning Commission met on August 27, 2018 and presented the minutes to the Board of County Commissioners. The Planning board recommends the rezone of the property for Skyland Grain and the resolution for it will be presented next week because of the protest period.

Mr. Goetz submitted the following building permits:

Steve & Dawn Hampel for a Shop/Shed in Section 1, Township 28, Range 05W.

Tim Bergkamp for a wrap-around porch in Section 5, Township 27, Range 05W.

Shane Locke for a shed in Section 25, Township 28, Range 05W.

Josh Fiscus for a shed in Section 3, Township 29, Range 05W.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session at 11:53 a.m. with Stan Goetz, to discuss an individual employee's performance. The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 12:08 p.m. with no binding action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session at 12:08 p.m. with Stan Goetz, to discuss an individual employee's performance. The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 12:27 p.m. with no binding action taken.

The Commissioners discussed the LEC RFP.

Commissioner Henning would like to know what out of County expenses for inmates have been for the last 10 years.

The County Commissioners signed County vouchers in the amount of \$305,717.43.

The County Commissioners signed Road & Bridge vouchers in the amount of \$39,060.15.

MOTION: The meeting adjourned at 12:41 p.m.



Have Another Slice of Cheese

By John Schlageck Kansas Farm Bureau

What would a sweltering summer day be like without an occasional stop at the local ice cream parlor for a couple scoops?

Can you imagine eating piping hot chocolate cookies without a frosty glass of milk?

Imagine sipping a buttery glass of chardonnay without a couple of pieces of aged cheddar.

Every day in this great country of ours we can partake of these wholesome, nutritious dairy products; but if there were no dairy farmers, dairy cows or dairy industry, there would be none of these tasty treats.

Dairy products remain a major source of nutrients in our daily diets. If they're not, they should be.

To find another source for the 300 milligrams of calcium found in either an eight-ounce glass of milk, a cup of yogurt or 1 1/2 ounces of natural cheese, the average person would have to graze on eight cups of spinach, six cups of pinto beans or two and one-half cups of broccoli, according to the Midwest Dairy Association.

The primary nutrients found in milk and other dairy products are calcium, vitamins A and D, carbohydrates, phosphorus, magnesium, potassium, riboflavin and high-quality proteins.

U.S. dairy farmers provide an estimated \$140 billion annually to this nation's economy. Dairy farmers help sustain rural America. Even considering this nation's continuing economic challenges, dairy farmers and companies are a lifeline to 900,000 jobs

in this country.

Dairy is local. Dairy farm families are business owners. Every glass of milk and each dairy product produced by these family businesses brings vitality to local and state economies.

Kansas farms generate approximately \$537 million in milk sales annually. In Kansas, the average dairy cow produces about seven gallons of milk per day. That's more than 2,585 gallons of milk over the course of a typical year.

Growth in the Kansas dairy industry means economic growth and access to safe dairy products for local communities and the state. The Kansas ag growth dairy strategy has identified the expansion of the influence, presence and professional standing of the Kansas dairy industry as a priority.

This development has been fueled by the arrival of large-scale dairy operations, primarily in western Kansas. Milk production has doubled since 1994 and grown more than 25 percent in the last five years. There are now approximately 290 dairies in the state, milking 154,000 cows. It takes about 48 hours for milk to travel from the farm to the dairy case.

As in nearly every sector of the agricultural industry, the United States has more milk production than any other country in the world. This country has six major breeds of dairy cattle: Holstein, Jersey, Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Ayrshire and Milking Shorthorn.

Dairy cows begin producing milk after they calve, when they are about two years old. Most cows are milked twice a day in modern milking facilities that incorporate gentle machines attached and re-

moved by dairy farmers. Today, all milk sold in grocery stores is pasteurized during processing.

During pasteurization, milk is briefly heated to a temperature high enough to destroy bacteria without affecting its flavor or food value.

Yes, since the first cow arrived in the Jamestown Colony back in 1611, America's dairy farmers have been helping provide a healthy, nutritious food product. So, fill your glass with milk every day. Dip a couple scoops of vanilla ice cream on that piece of apple pie. Cut another slice of cheese for a summer snack. And give thanks to Kansas and America's dairy farmers.

More Farm Animal Trivia

Today's cattle are descended from two species: wild aurochs -- fierce and agile herd animals that populated Asia, North Africa and Europe -- and eotragus -- an antelope-like, Asian forest creature.

Horses cannot vomit. Goat's eyes have rectangular pupils.

A 1,200-pound horse eats about seven times it's own weight each year.

A capon is a castrated rooster.

A Cornish game hen is really a young chicken, usually 5 to 6 weeks of age, that weighs no more than 2 pounds.

A cow gives nearly 200,000 glasses of milk in her lifetime.

A Holstein's spots are like a fingerprint or snowflake. No two cows have exactly the same pattern of spots.

A normal cow's stomach has four compartments: the rumen, the reticulum (storage area), the omasum (where water is absorbed), and the abomasum (the only compartment with digestive juices).

Public Notice

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KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND PROPOSALS

To Provide

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER DESIGN-BUILD PROPOSALS (Request No. 2018-917)

Issued: September 17, 2018

Closing Date: October 22, 2018 Closing Time: 1:30 p.m., Local Time

Interested parties should submit one original and five (5) copies of a Proposal on paper and one copy in portable document format (.pdf) in sealed envelopes or packages. The outside of the envelopes or packages must be labeled with the Contractor's name, mailing address and Contractor's representative's email address and be clearly marked "Kingman County, Kansas Law Enforcement Center Design-Build Proposal, Attention: Carol Noblit, County Clerk." Proposals must be received on or before the Closing Time on the Closing Date in the offices of the County at the following address:

Carol Noblit, County Clerk Kingman County Courthouse 130 N. Spruce Kingman, KS 67068

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

J.P. MORGAN MORTGAGE ACQUISITION CORP. PLAINTIFF

-vs-

RANDAL G. HARROALD, et. al.; DEFENDANTS

No. 2017-CV-000037

Div. No.

K.S.A. 60

Mortgage

Foreclosure

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued by the Clerk of the District Court in and for the said County of Kingman, in a certain cause in said Court Numbered 2017-CV-000037, wherein the parties above named were respectively plaintiff and defendant, and to me, the undersigned Sheriff of said County, directed, I will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand at the front steps of the courthouse in the City of Kingman in said County, on September 27, 2018, at 10:00 a.m., of said day the following described real estate located in the County of Kingman, State of Kansas, to wit:

LOTS 1 AND 3 ON SIXTH STREET EAST; LOTS 2, 4, 6 AND 8 ON SEVENTH STREET EAST; AND LOTS 121, 123, 125, 127, 129, 131, 133, 135, 137, 139, 141 AND 143 ON BROWN STREET, ALL IN SOUTH ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF KINGMAN, KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS, AS SHOWN BY THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF. Commonly known as 227 West 6th Avenue, Kingman, Kansas 67068

This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Randy Hill

SHERIFF OF KINGMAN

COUNTY, KANSAS

SHAPIRO & KREISMAN, LLC

Attorneys for Plaintiff

6811 Shawnee Mission Parkway - Suite 309

Overland Park, KS 66202

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Public Notice

(First published in The Cunningham Courier, Thurs., Sept. 6, 2018) 3t

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

CIVIL DEPARTMENT

Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC

Plaintiff,

vs.

Michael L. Quimby and Shannon R. Quimby, et al.

Defendants.

Case No. 18CV19

Court Number:

Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 60

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued to me by the Clerk of the District Court of Kingman County, Kansas, the undersigned Sheriff of Kingman County, Kansas, will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand, at the Front Door of the Courthouse at Kingman, Kingman County, Kansas, on September 27, 2018, at 10:00 AM, the following real estate:

NORTH ONE HUNDRED FEET (N 100') OF LOT TWO (2) IN BLOCK ONE (1), TURNER'S SECOND ADDITION TO THE CITY OF KINGMAN, KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS, AS SHOWN BY THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF, commonly known as 344 North Sugar Street, Kingman, KS 67068 (the "Property")

to satisfy the judgment in the above-entitled case. The sale is to be made without appraisal and subject to the redemption period as provided by law, and further subject to the approval of the Court. For more information, visit www.SouthLaw.com

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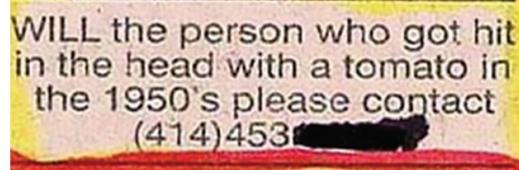
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Celebrations of Life

Helen Mertens

Helen F. Mertens, 84, died Sept. 18, 2018, at Wheatlands Healthcare Center, Kingman.

She was born April 3, 1934, at Mt. Vernon, Kansas the daughter of Henry and Margaret Hilger Jacobs. A longtime resident of the Willowdale and Kingman communities, she was a homemaker.

Helen was a member of the St. Peter Catholic Church and the Altar Society, both of Willowdale.

On May 11, 1954, she married Lawrence Mertens at Waterloo, Kansas. Other survivors include sons Darrel, Timothy, Stephen and Michael; daughters Geneva Ricke and Dolores Henning; brother Oscar Jacobs; sister Jeanette Traffas; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by brothers Harold, Vincent, Richard, Sylvester and Virgil; and sisters, Sr. Loretta Jacobs, Florence Wehkamp, Delphine Schmitz, Roseann Depenbusch and Lucille Albers.

Parish rosary will be 7:00 p.m., Friday, at the Livingston Funeral Home, Kingman. Friends may call from 2:00 p.m. til rosary time at the funeral home. Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 22, 2018 at the St. Peter Catholic Church, Willowdale. Burial will be in the St. Peter Church Cemetery.

Memorials may be made with the St. Peter Catholic Church, Wheatlands Healthcare Center or Rivercross Hospice, all in care of Livingston Funeral Home.

Robert Holmes

Robert Lee Holmes was born August 24, 1930 in Ulysses, KS and he left this world September 15, 2018.

He graduated from Langdon High School. He was an excellent baseball player for Langdon, who was represented in the National Baseball Congress. The team was coached by his father and the bat boy was his younger brother. Robert played second base and shortstop. He told us the National Baseball Congress made him an offer to play with the Chicago White Sox.

He married Florence Sherman on October 21, 1950. He was employed with Missouri Pacific Railroad, Gorham Motor Company, Triple S Equipment and Poltera John Deere. His primary occupation was mechanic and he was the man of choice for many wheat farmers. He lived out his life in Turon, KS. He was a Little League Baseball coach and a volunteer fireman. He had a deep love and appreciation for nature and wildlife, which he passed on to his children and grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents Gene and Dora Holmes, brothers, Dean and Jay Dee Holmes, and son Steve Holmes.

He is survived by his wife, Florence Holmes, son Ronald Holmes, daughters, Terry Holmes and Michelle "Shelly" Eichman. He also leaves behind a sister Judy Alstatt and husband Dean; his grandchildren, Tanda Poell and husband Tony, Shawna Knoche and husband Brent, Robert Smiley and wife Kelli, Alecia Fenner and husband Levi, Richard Gullotto and wife Melissa, Jenifer Holmes, Lacey Schreck and husband Tom, Todd Smiley and wife Monica, Tagen Holmes and Stevie Holmes; his great-grandchildren, Katelyn, Chelsea, Tristan, Torynn, Trenton, Rayce, Pierce, Caiden, Connor, Kennedy, Abbilyn, Laikyn, Colton, Cash, Eric, Chase, Cammryn, Jacob, and Vlady, as well as adopted daughter, Denise Chadwick. He was a wonderful husband, father, and grandpa, who was greatly loved and will be sorely missed until we all "See ya".

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, September 18, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at the Pratt Church of Christ, Pratt, KS with Minister Steve Triplett officiating. Interment followed in Neola Cemetery, Neola, KS. Condolences may be sent to www.larrisonmortuary.com.



Geneva Westerman

Geneva A. Westerman, 90, died Sept. 13, 2018, at Parkwood Village, Pratt.

She was born May 22, 1928, at Sawyer, Kansas the daughter of Theodore F. and Elsie Lampe Hensiek. A lifetime resident of the Nashville community, she was a homemaker.

Geneva was a member of the St. John Lutheran Church, the Dorcas Society, both of Nashville; and she served as Church organist for seventy-five years.

On April 6, 1947, she married Laverne Westerman at Nashville. Other survivors include four daughters and their husbands, Loetta and Merlyn Lohrke, Gloria and Phil Theis, Lynette and Steve Drake and Genelle and Scott Strong; 12 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her brother Vernon Hensiek.

Funeral services were Monday, at the St. John Lutheran Church in Nashville. Burial was in the St. John Lutheran Cemetery.

Memorials may be made with Interim Hospice or the St. John Lutheran Church, both in care of the Livingston Funeral Home.



Dean Swope

Dean W. Swope, 89, died September 17, 2018.

He was born July 2, 1929, at Zenda, Kansas the son of Otto H. and Zella Myrtle Johnston Swope. A lifetime resident of the Kingman community, he was the retired CO-OP manager at Brown-Spur and at Collingwood Grain in Kingman.

Dean was a member of the St. Patrick Catholic Church, Kingman.

On October 20, 1953, he married Kathleen Osner at Wichita; she died April 30, 2010. Survivors include a son Tim Swope; daughter Joan Swope; and five grandchildren. He was also preceded in death by sister Janet Green and an infant sister Virginia.

Parish rosary will be 10:00 a.m., Friday, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial, both at St. Patrick Catholic Church, Kingman. The family will receive friends from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Thursday at the Livingston Funeral Home, Kingman. Burial will be in the Walnut Hill Cemetery.

Memorials may be made with the St. Patrick Grade School in care of Livingston Funeral Home, 1830 N. Main, Kingman, KS 67068.



90th Birthday Celebration



Lifelong Cunningham resident Helen Long will celebrate her 90th birthday on October 4th. Helen worked at First National Bank for over 30 years and, together with her husband Bob, operated B&H Electric. In retirement she enjoys attending church and watching the Royals and KU basketball games.

Her children Teri, Prairie Village; Steve, Cunningham; and Scott, Denver ask you to help her celebrate with a birthday card shower. Please send cards to Helen at PO Box 175, Cunningham, KS 67035.

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