



Meanderings

I have a lot to meander about this week. However, the space for my nonsense is getting smaller because of the other columnists who have been so kind so write their interesting stories and thoughts to share with the world.

Because I have much to think and write about, I probably will start next week's column whilst writing this one. (You can believe it if you want... I'm not sure I do.

There is an obituary in this week's paper for Red Floyd of Belle Plaine, Kansas. Mr. Floyd was my first boss in the education world. He was there when I did my student teaching and hired me (away from Milton Brooks in Argonia) way back in 1983. Wow! That was a while back, wasn't it?

Mr. Floyd is known by several of my readers. He was their teacher or their boss or their friend. For me, he was also my dad-away-from-home. He was the one who told me my kitty named "Duck" had been purposely hit by a car driven by a young kid. He also buried my little friend for me. He told me recently he remembered exactly where Duck was buried...and that was 36 years ago on March 14th.

Mr. Floyd was a good man. He was caring and kind and thoughtful. I'm not saying he didn't swat a kid or two, but he really expected a lot from the students in his care. He cared a great deal for teachers as well, he just didn't swat us.

Story. I needed to run some copies of a worksheet. This would have been my second or third year of teaching. I asked one of my little third grade girls to come to the office and help me run the copies. As I am opening the cover of the printer, I notice her looking around.

"Haven't you been in here?" I asked her.

"No," she says.

"What do you think?" "Where does he keep the paddle with the nails in it?"

I am laughing as I write that. She was such a sweet and trusting little girl, but I couldn't believe she really thought that was true.

Mr. Floyd won't be easily forgotten as there are hundreds of stories out there that people tell about him. They are stories told with laughter and respect.

The world needs more Mr. Floyds.

This has been an interesting week. Last Tuesday afternoon The Courier phone rang. Caller ID (I love caller ID) identified the caller as one Mike Schrant. I remember Mike Schrant. He was an older brother to my classmate and friend, Sandy Schrant. Sandy and I started school together in kindergarten (remember the little bit of old news from a month ago?) After kindergarten, she attended school in St. Leo. In fourth grade she was back in Cunningham. I remember Mike because Sandy would point him out or wave to him in

the cafeteria. Mike identified himself. I identified myself and told him I was in Sandy's class. He remembered the Thimesches, but not me. Of course, he wouldn't remember me. I was his little sister's friend. He was a high school kid. They didn't pay too much attention to the elementary munchkins.

Mike and I talked for half an hour. He remembered my grandpa, Frank Thimesch. He remembered my Uncle Richard. Both my uncle Richards. Richard Thimesch and Richard Flores. Richard Flores is married to my Aunt Mary Francis Thimesch. Mike remembered Richard Thimesch because Mike worked for him for two summers. He remembered Richard Flores because he was a teacher and administrator in Kansas schools; just like my uncle Richard. He said he also did a bit of work in the radio business.

The class of 1972 are celebrating their 50 year reunion, and he wanted to know if I had heard anything about the reunion. I hadn't, but I gave

him a contact for Kandi Bradley Will. He called again today. We had another 1/2 hour visit. Then I emailed Kandi's contact information to him because the email kept coming back. I hope they managed to contact each other, and I do hope the class has a reunion and sends a picture or two.

I had more to write, but it is a lengthy bit, and I don't want to start it and have to continue it next week.

So I will save it for next week. I read Harlan Coben's new book this past Sunday-- "The Match."

I placed a hold on it through Amazon several weeks ago, It arrived last Thursday. I planned on reading it in one day with a minimum of interruptions, but I had to wait for the right day. I could hardly stand to have it laying on my nightstand until I could get to it. Sunday was the day. The wait was worth it.

I love a good Coben mystery. He kept me guessing the whole way through. I sometimes

think his stories get so convoluted they will never come out right. But they always do. Everytime. He can weave those events and characters into a huge mess, but it all comes out all neat and tidy (and sometimes unexpectedly) in the end.

For those Debbie Crombie fans -- I should let you know if you haven't already: She is writing another Inspector Gamache book. I can hardly wait.

Always reading and currently reading "Haveli" by Suzanne Fisher Staples Roberta

"Memories, you see, hurt. The good ones most of all." —Harlan Coben, Tell No One

"I said everyone looks happy. That was kinda my point. If you judge the world by Facebook, you wonder why so many people take Prozac." —Harlan Coben, The Stranger

Tallgrass and Tumbleweeds by Gaille Pike

Dear Readers, More than my calendar announces that Spring has arrived. Blue and purple crocus blooms dot the yard while daffodil blooms swell yellow. And in every direction a palette of green native Flint Hills grasses push new life through dried golds. Up and down our gravel road, farms are bursting with activity, and all of us hope to take advantage of the sunny seasonable conditions before our Kansas weath-

er switches up again, as no doubt it will. Though my Winter's-too-much-sedentary muscles ache at a day's end of Springtime yardwork, I find my spirits lifted. And there's nothing like relaxing on the patio with friends and laughing late into the evening. The other night the full moon rose over us. High in the sky, a perfect lunar halo appeared, a wondrous sight I've not beheld for many years. It was mesmer-

izing. Even the teenager among us looked up from his phone. He was impressed enough to comment, "Cool moon ring. Makes it look like the moon is moving or falling, coming right at us!" I had to agree the ring of light around the moon created that illusion but none of us were sure what was causing this effect.

The first thing I learned online is that lunar halos are much common than I thought. And to many scientists they are a mundane phenomenon, occurring naturally 'round both sun and moon, any time clouds

approximately 20,000 feet above the earth contain ice crystals. Most times the frozen water refracts white light but occasionally these rings are rainbow halos.

The second thing I learned was that farmer's and folklorists alike have saying, "Ring around the moon, rain coming soon." Though it appears to have been around for eons, there are few theories on its origin. Meteorologists claim that "Ol' Weather Wisdom" teaches that moon halos DO indicate the presence of moisture in the sky. And when the sun's rays heat our atmosphere the ice crys-

tals melt, and water vapor condenses until droplets fall. The National Weather Service's website encouraged me to further my Hydrology education, to learn more about The Water Cycle. And perhaps one day I will.

But cycles of the seasons were foremost on my mind and how (whether abrupt or gradual) the transitions feel both enchanting and reassuringly commonplace. So I turned from my laptop and headed back outside. March's full moon with its halo still intact, now directly overhead, cast a glow across our en-

tire yard. Two of our cats joined me but they did not look to the skies. And before long they ceased nuzzling my ankles to go off chasing the shadows of elm branches which had begun to dance as the wind kicked up.

The night air grew chilly, a reminder that Winter has not yet given way completely to Spring. And as far as "Ol' Weather Wisdom" is concerned—as I write this, a storm is coming up from the South.

Until next week—keep your eyes on the stars and your back to the wind.

Why I've Decided Not to Be an Oligarch

by Dorothy Rosby I've heard so much about oligarchs lately that I couldn't help wondering if it might be a good career move for me. Before I made the switch though, I thought I should find out more, so I went to my go-to for career advice, my good friend Google. That's where I learned that Russian oligarchs wield a bit of political power along with busy day jobs of making, spending and laundering money. Sadly, I'm not quali-

fied for the position seeing as I'm not Russian—or a billionaire. But based on my research, I don't think it would be that great anyway. And that's not just sour vodka talking. There are a lot of things about the job I wouldn't care for, not the least of which would be hanging out with a certain self-centered, bad-tempered Russian president.

Also, I'm not cut out for managing people and I'd need employees if I were an oligarch—pilots to fly my airplanes, crews for my yachts, a commander for my personal submarine, groundskeepers to mow

my golf courses, handsome pool boys to clean my swimming pools and, of course, housekeepers to keep all my mansions clean. There's no way I'm doing that myself.

Then I'd need a payroll department to pay all those employees and managers to order them around when I'm not there. The next thing you know I'd be holding staff meetings and hiring and firing employees all the time. I'd be so busy I wouldn't have time to

enjoy my tennis courts when my friends came over. That would be a shame because I'm sure if I became an oligarch, I'd have more friends. Probably more relatives too.

Not only would they always be asking if they could stay on my private island or take one of my Ferraris for a drive, they'd expect better gifts from me than I give now. Plus when we'd all go out to lunch and the server asked if we were all

on one check, everyone would look at me expectantly. Sure, I'd be able to afford anything on the menu but I'd never again enjoy the simple pleasure of having someone else buy me lunch.

Another drawback is that instead of trying to keep up with the Joneses, I'd be trying to keep up with Bill Gates, Jeff Bezos and Warren Buffet. Right now, Alexei Mordashov is the richest Russian oligarch, with Vladimir Putin, whom you may have heard of, coming in a close second. But I was shocked to learn that while Mordashov is the richest oligarch, he's not the richest person in the world and not by a long shot. Elon Musk has a whopping 223 billion compared to Mordashov's measly 29 billion. I bet a lot of people see Mordashov way down there on the list of billionaires and feel bad for him. No one likes being pitied.

I suppose it's possible he and the other oligarchs are richer than we think. One of the skills of a successful oligarch is knowing how to hide

money from people who have the gall to think you might owe them some of it. Apparently there are lots of ways to do this besides the one we all think of first: putting it in your mattress. If you're a billionaire, that takes a lot of mattresses. So oligarchs are forced to find other creative ways to hide their wealth, including money laundering, which is not what you'd think: forgetting to empty your pockets before you throw your pants in the washer.

You can see how hiding money is hard work even if you only have 29 billion dollars to hide. Plus there's political influencing, management duties and yacht shopping to be done. Being an oligarch is a demanding job, but I'm sure any oligarch would tell you it's also very rewarding—at least financially.

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Thursday, March 24th HS Forensics at Cheney	Tuesday, March 29th KAY Family Game night PreK - 5th grade ***** Forensics work night
Friday, March 25th 5:00 School Cafeteria FFA Pancake Feed *** 7:00 p.m. Junior High Play/ pancake supper	Wednesday, March 30th Judging Meeting for Forensics *** 7:00 p.m. Book Club
Saturday, March 26th 10:00 a.m. UMW Brunch *** 4:30 - 7:00 Lions Club Pancake Supper	Thursday, March 31st Skyland Ag Day *** Forensics Timer Meeting
Sunday, March 27th 2:00 p.m. Hilltop Manor Style Show	Friday, April 1st 3:00 p.m. JH Track at Fairfield
Monday, March 28th JH Scholars Bowl i at South Barber *** Senior Research Trip	Monday, April 4th 1:00 - 6:00 Community Center NHS Blood Drive

WE ARE INVITED!!

Sunday, March 27th at 2:00 p.m.
You are invited to attend the 1st Annual Style Show at Hilltop Manor. Employees' children and grandchildren will model adorable pillowcase dresses lovingly made by residents of Hilltop Manor. The dresses will later be sent to girls in need elsewhere in the world.

Pancake Supper
Saturday March 26
4:30 to 7

We Serve
Cunningham
Community Center

Community Service Day is April 13th

Community Service Day is fast approaching at USD 332. It takes place on April 13. Students will be completing small projects for community members as requested. Examples of these jobs include branch removal, moving furniture, cleaning gutters, etc. Please call the school at 620-298-3271 if interested in having service work done on that day.

Community Wide Garage Sales

Cunningham will be holding their city-wide garage sale on Saturday, April 30th. (See classifieds page for more information.)

ALSO Kingman will be having their City Wide Garage Sale on Friday, April 29th and Saturday, April 30th

Walk Kansas 2022
March 27-May 1

Registration is now open at <https://www.walkkansasonline.org/>

The Pratt Knights of Columbus Fish Fry
Every Friday during Lent.

You may dine in or pick up a to-go-box at Columbus Hall, 1223 N Main Street, Pratt, KS

Meals are available for the suggested donation of \$14 each.



To reserve the Cunningham Community Center, contact Ruth Shelman, (620) 770-9153 or 318-6042



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March 30th 7:00 p.m

"Band of Sisters" by Lauren Willig

"We all have a lot more to read than we can read and a lot more to do than we can do."

— Will Schwalbe, *The End of Your Life Book Club*

B-29 Museum

is open on Sundays from 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Pratt Army Airfield – 82 Curran Road
Visit them on Facebook at www.prairiebombers.org for more information. If you would like to visit the museum at another time call 672-8321, 672-2444 or 620-797-2919 to schedule an appointment!

Libraries

Cunningham Public Library

Mon., Wed., Fri.
2:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Tues., Thurs., Sat.
9:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Closed for Holidays
298-3163



Zenda Public Library

Monday
8:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.
Thursday:
4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Saturday:
8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
620-243-5791



Kingman Carnegie Library

Mon. & Tues. 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Wed. : 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. : 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Fri. : 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Sat. : 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
620-532-3061



Pratt Public Library

Mon. - Thurs.
10:00 - 7:00
Friday: 10:00 - 6:00
Saturday: 10:00 - 2:00
Closed on Sundays
(620) 672-3041

Pratt Community College Performing Arts

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April 3 at 2:30pm

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"Do not, I beg of you, dampen today's sun with the showers of tomorrow."

— L. Frank Baum, *Oz: The Complete Collection*

"One who is Master of himself is always a King, if only to himself."

— L. Frank Baum, *Oz: The Complete Collection*

Upcoming Auctions

Saturday March 26.
Annual Farm Equipment Consignment Auction - Saturday March 26. Registration by March 12 - Carter Barker Corner east of Pratt.

For more information and a complete list of auctions, see our website at www.hammauction.com

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March 25th - 27th

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Look Up With Hope

Ah, spring! A season of new beginnings, of life, and color, and most of all—HOPE! As I lie on our tree swing looking up at the barren branches of our ancient elm trees, I envision how they will look in a few short weeks. The leaves will unfurl and life and color and hope with them. Anticipation and vision is what keeps us going, doing the hard things, believing that things will get better, must get better! That is such a picture of God's Creation on the precipice of spring.

I believe the prevailing word is HOPE. Hope and spring are truly synonymous, two sides of

the same coin! Following is a menagerie of my favorite quotes about hope and spring, which the calendar says is already here.

"Hope is the thing with feathers that perches in the soul- and sings the tunes without the words- and never stops at all." (Emily Dickinson) "I wandered lonely as a cloud that floats on high o'er vales and hills, when all at once I saw a crowd, a host, of golden daffodils; beside the lake, beneath the trees, fluttering and dancing in the breeze." (William Wordsworth) "It was one of those March days when the sun shines hot and the wind blows cold; when it is summer in the light and winter in the shade."

(Charles Dickens) "The earth laughs in flowers." (Ralph Waldo Emerson) "The beautiful spring came; and when nature resumes her loveliness, the human soul is apt to revive also." (Harriet Ann Jacobs) "That is one good thing about this world— There are always sure to be more springs." (Lucy Maude Montgomery) "Where flowers bloom, so does hope." (Lady Bird Johnson) "Spring drew on...and greenness grew over those brown beds, which, freshening daily, suggested the thought that hope, traversed them at night and left each morning brighter traces of her steps." (Charlotte Bronte) "To plant a garden is to believe in tomorrow."

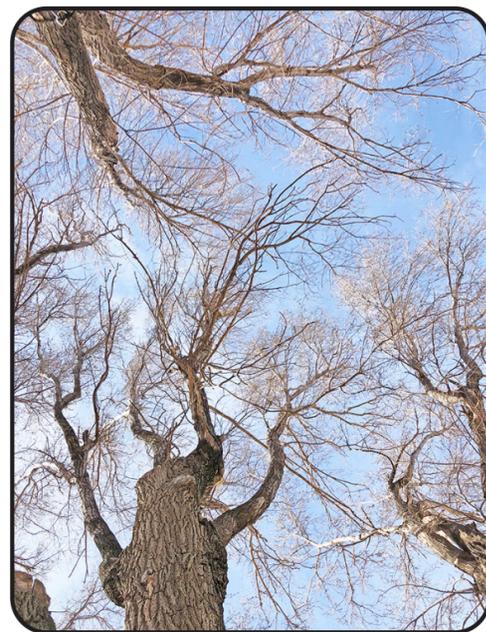
(Audrey Hepburn) "Some old-fashioned things like fresh air and sunshine are hard to beat." (Laura Ingalls Wilder). "Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which entereth into that within the veil." (God)

Some of my favorite childhood memories of early spring are: finding a litter of kittens from our prolific black cat, Midnight, given to me by our dear editor, herself; picking the first dandelion; walking down to the Ninnescah River; skipping stones on our pond; gazing up at cumulus clouds, imagining all sorts of objects from their shapes; track meets and concerts; and so much more!

May we all look, listen, and experience new life like a captivated, innocent child as spring arrives, which once again shows off the breathtak-

ing wonder and majesty of Creation and our Creator!

Blessings,
Karen Cornelius Eck



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Consider this...

by Mike Johnson

What Do We Really Know About Ourselves?

A recent issue of our newspaper was pretty typical. It announced two births and two deaths.

Four more mysteries of the great unknown. Mysteries that occur so frequently, we seldom even stop to think about them.

Each year in America, 2,100,000 people vanish from our midst - die - with a great many of them having no prior warning whatsoever. That's the equivalent of every last person being snuffed out in South Dakota, North Dakota and Montana - every single year.

2.1 MILLION souls. Where do all these

people go? Why them and not us? Why this year and not next? Why cancer or heart disease or plane crash? Why slow and painful for some and instantly for others? Why too old for many and too young for the rest?

If that wasn't puzzling enough, each year in America, 4,100,000 new souls arrive - are born - kicking and screaming, as if, they too, had no idea it was about to happen. All those births are the equivalent of adding the entire populations of Alaska, Oregon and Delaware to America - each and every year.

4.1 MILLION souls. Where do these people come from? Why is one a boy and another a girl? Why is one born into riches and another into poverty? Why does one arrive handicapped and another gifted? Why black over white or red over yellow? Why does one gravitate to theater and another to construction?

We pop into existence from behind a curtain

called birth. We apparently have no memory of whatever came before. We depart days or years or decades later behind a curtain called death. We apparently are unable to send messages back.

What in the heck is going on behind that curtain?

The set of senses we arrive with sure doesn't seem to help. They just create the illusion they do. Sure, we can see, but not so well as to detect the unlimited number of microscopic creatures living on our bodies. And we can hear. But even our dogs detect sounds that are out of our range.

And we can feel. But not so well as to sense oncoming storms or earthquakes - as even the most common barnyard animals can.

The fact is, our senses barely brush the surface of what's occurring around us.

So we're faced with a dilemma: We don't know where we came from. We don't know where we're going, and we don't know

what's happening around us while we're here.

We've walked on stage in the middle of the play and have no idea what any of it means or what our purpose is for being here. In actuality, we know nothing.

Yet, we're so certain of our actions.

We watch what our society is doing - and rush off to copy.

We listen to the words of leaders - and rush off believing.

We feel the intensity of a friend's example - and rush off to follow.

Rarely do we ever stop rushing. Rarely do we stop to question our own actions, our own beliefs, our own purpose.

Rarely do we stop to question anything. Yet we know nothing.

Nothing that is, except that during the time it took to read this essay, 16 more souls have departed and 32 more have arrived.

Forty eight additional mysteries that remain unsolved...



Catholic Churches

Sacred Heart, Cunningham
Sundays 10:00 a.m.

St. John, Zenda
Saturdays 5:30 p.m.

St. Leo
Saturday 4:00 p.m. St. Leo

St. Peter Willowdale
Sundays 8:30 a.m.

Father Roger Lumbre
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620-246-5370



Lutheran Churches

St. John, Nashville
620-246-5220
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9:15 a.m.
Worship Service
10:30 a.m.

Trinity, Medicine Lodge
620- 886-3397
Sunday School & Bible Class
9:45 a.m.
Worship Service
8:30 a.m.

Our worship service is found on the YouTube channel at:
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Pastor Dennis Fangmeyer
Cell: 620-886-0911



Church of Christ

Penalosa
Sunday 11:00 a.m.



First Christian Church

Cunningham
Sunday School 9:30 am
Morning Worship 10:45
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00
Jr High Youth Group 4:00 pm Sunday
Sr High Youth Group 7:30 pm Sunday
Wednesday Prayer Service 7:00
Pastor Mike McGovney 620-298-3201



United Methodist Church

Penalosa **Cunningham**
Worship 9:15 a.m. Worship 10:45 a.m.

Pastor Mathew Ndambuki Musyoki
620-298-2090

Zenda
Worship 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School: Children 8:30 a.m. Adults 10:00 a.m.
Pastor Ken Keeling
620-491-0680



The \$20 and the \$1 Joke

Two well worn bills arrived at the Federal Reserve Bank to be retired - a twenty and a one. As they traveled down the conveyor belt, they struck up a conversation. The twenty reminisced about the interesting life he had, traveling all over the country. "I've been to the finest restaurants, Broadway shows, Las Vegas, Atlantic City," he said. "I even want on a Caribbean cruise. Where have you been?"

"Oh," said the one dollar bill, "I've been to the Methodist church, the Episcopal church, the Lutheran church."

"What's a church?" asked the twenty.

"To laugh is to live profoundly."
— Milan Kundera, *The Book of Laughter and Forgetting*

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W. A. BRADLEY, EDITOR



1927

April 1— The trophies won by the Cunningham High School basketball, field and track teams, and musical organizations this year are now on display at the Burnett Drug Store. They are in the east window.

The Beatrice Cream Station will be moved in the near future. They are moving one door north of the present location. The new location will be in the Howell building.

The new location will also have a separate compartment to take care of the poultry and egg business, as it is against the state cream laws to take poultry or eggs through the same door as the cream is taken.

Cunningham scored the victory in the Turon-Cunningham Track and Field Meet, March 25, here, by winning 55 points to Turon's 44. Darrel Kelly was high-point man for Cunningham, winning seven points, one point more than Turon's high-point man, V. Faulk.

First places went to the following:

Kelly – Shot put, discus, tied with Meyers for high jump.

Askrens – Pole vault.

Ratlief – 440 yard dash.

Maxedon – Broad jump.

Huffman – One-half mile.

V. Faulk of Turon won the 50 yard dash, 220 and 100 yard, while Prentice, also of Turon, won the mile.

It is the duty of every resident of the city to cast his vote at the election Monday. If you don't like the way things are run, get out and exercise your right to put the candidate of your choice in office.

The polls will be in the A. C. Houston Lumber Co. office.

Rain, or moisture of some kind, has fallen almost constantly during the past week. The ground is undoubtedly thoroughly soaked and in good condition. The moisture will certainly make some excellent spring crops and will put the wheat in condition so that the wind will not blow it out.

Charles Lakin of the Lakin Implement Co., reports the sale of a model D John Deere tractor to Jude Hoeme at Natrona, Kansas, and Earl Haynes at Pretty Prairie.

1932

April 1— Another oil well will be drilled at once on the Frank Miles land according to word received here Thursday. The location will be on the ten acre tract immediately north of the Miles No. 1 oiler. The new location is in the Se. quarter of section 19, Twp. 27, Range 10w.

The latest out – Square, Galvanized Wash Tubs. They are ten per cent heavier than the round and so much more convenient in all respects. See them on display at the Cannon Hardware and Variety Store.

W. B. Rouse, who arrived here Wednesday, on his way to Wichita from Hugoton, reports that the wheat in western Kansas is in very poor shape. While there are some good fields, others are worthless. The dust storm out there Tuesday was the worst in years, according to Mr. Rouse.

Last Monday evening the junior class went fishing. They caught one fish and one frog. Fortunately someone had prepared for a steak fry.

1937

March 26— Eck and Jenne Hoagland expect to depart for Illinois and various other points this week for a visit with relatives. Eck rented his farm to Orval Spains. They will move there this week. Wilbur Spains will move on the place where Orval's live now.

The farmers telephone line held a meeting at Seth Whitmore's last Friday evening and Albert Bortz plans to become a member as soon as he gets his line completed.

The Forensic Contest was held at Adams Friday afternoon and evening, March 19. The play "Sod" given by Adams won first place. "Which is the Way to Boston" given by Norwich won second, and "Submerged" given by Spivey won third place.

In the dramatic reading the places were as follows: Zenda, first; Spivey, second; and Norwich, third.

In Extemporaneous speaking Adams received first place, Cunningham second, and Zenda third.

Frances Groves gave the dramatic and Eugene Carter represented Cunningham in extemporaneous speaking.

1942

March 27 – St. Leo defeated the Northeast part of

town in the finals of the HiY tournament, 20-14, to take first-place in the tournament. Forrest Krug led the winners with 7 points, while A. Luce was high for the losers with 10 points.

Members of the Better Homes and Gardens Club entertained their husbands with a buffet supper, Monday evening, in the Methodist church parlors. Following the supper the high school contest play, "Murder By Morning," was presented for the guests entertainment.

The guests included: Messrs and Mesdames Floren Rose, Percy Scott, Luther Walker, Francis Dafforn, Perry Shafer, Glenn Douglas, Evan Thornhill, Francis Bretz, Hubert Sellon, Carde Cannon, Rufus Leiter, Pat Benningfield, Paul Fitzsimmons, K.E. Warren, and Vernon Fitzsimmons.

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1947

March 28— A new neon sign has been installed at the Burnett Drug Store by the Snyder Ice Cream Company of Wichita.

Pete Stockmer of route 2, Cunningham, has purchased the D. G. Duff property in east Cunningham, formerly the Addie Sidler home, and will move to Cunningham in the near future. Mr. Duff has purchased the three lots on the east end of Block 1 in east Cunningham and is erecting a new residence there.

George Urban has purchased the Harry Doty lots in the south part of town and will begin soon on the erection of a new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Leiter expect to move Friday into their newly purchased Nossaman property in south Cunningham. Mr. Leiter is erecting a two-car garage on the property and contemplates a circle drive about the house.

Frank McClellan expect to move to town soon into their property in south Cunningham vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Leiter.

Cunningham business houses were startled Saturday night when they discovered the singing star of radio, stage, and moviedom, Kaytherm Grayson, in their midst.



Miss Grayson was enroute to the west coast when she stopped here at the Burnett Drug Store and inquired of Mrs. Burnett as to where she might be able to buy sandwiches.

Miss Grayson's latest picture is "It Happened in Brooklyn," in which she is co-starred with Frank Sinatra.

The Rebecca and Oddfellows lodges entertained at a card benefit at the Lodge Hall last Wednesday night. Fifty four guests were present for the occasion and a total of \$32.50 was turned into the building fund.

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1952

March 28 – Something truly different in the line of local talent productions was presented to a large audience last night when "Crazy Daze" made a very memorable visit to the Cunningham Rural High School Auditorium. An especially large cast, made up of prominent local people, including many of Cunningham's boys and girls, presented this hilarious comedy. Another presentation of this wonderful comedy success will be given tonight (Friday) at the Auditorium at 8:00 o'clock. Proceeds go to the School Band Uniform Fund.

One of the funniest scenes in "Crazy Daze" is the Wedding Party, in which Herbert Williams, played by Richard Webster, visualizes what would happen if the ladies ever "took over."

The "Crazy Daze" Wedding Party features Alva Hellar as the bride; Alphons Lieble as the groom; Evan Thornhill as the best man, and Dave Willinger as the mother of the bride. Albert Ditto and Loren Cooley portray the aunt and great aunt of the bride, and Philip Fee and John Baber are Allie Katz and Lotta Feet, friends of the bride, who arrive early for the ceremony. Bridesmaids are Martin Pelzl, Albert Sterneker, Arch Lovern, and Paul Fitzsimmons, and Wesley

Hendricks, who is the matron of honor. Eugene Kitson and Raymond Zrubek dance as flower girls, and Al Joe Sterneker is the ringbearer and Francis Wilson is the "trainbearer." The Justice of the Peace, Mike Schnittker, greets the Wedding Party with "This is my first ceremony, but somehow I hadn't expected it to look like this."

1957

March 28— The Cunningham Lions Club held their regular bi-monthly dinner-meeting in the Lodge Hall, Tuesday evening. Following dinner, President Bill Bradley presided over a brief business meeting after which Lieut. Robert Huffman, a former Cunningham boy now stationed at the Hutchinson Filter Center, gave a very interesting talk on the Ground Observer Corps and showed a film of one of the nation's new airplanes.

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Future Citizens of Cunningham this week: Cynthia Mantooth, David Brad Mantooth, Travis Garten, Sue Ann Graves, Marilyn Rohlman and Gary Rohlman, Debra Cain, Karen Shaffer, and Jimmy Thome.

1962

March 29— Construction is progressing nicely at the new home of the Kingman Manufacturing Company, just east of the east city limits. Workmen are erecting a 50x120-foot metal building to house the company's manufacturing production assembly. The Kingman Manufacturing Company succeeds the Cusenbary Sales and Manufacturing Company in the manufacture of farm products.

The new Methodist Church parsonage site in the northwest part of town will be the scene of activity this week-end as workmen are preparing to "run" the footing and basement walls.

Mr. and Mrs. Chet Spade have purchased the Burnett-Bradley Building on North Main Street and Mr. Spade has started remodeling to house his grocery store in the building.

1967

March 30 – The DeVaney Art Association of Nashville, will hold its annual Art Exhibit, Sunday afternoon, April 9, from 1:00 to 5:00 o'clock in the Nashville School Gymnasium.

Oil paintings, pastels, and ceramics by 50 South Central Kansas artists will be on exhibit. Of special interest will be a group of pre-school art.

It's a "wide-open" race in the City Election to be held next Tuesday, April 4, according to City Clerk Jack Meyers.

No candidates filed for any city office by the deadline of last Friday, so next Tuesday's ballot is blank, and the elected officials will be determined by write-in votes.

The present city officials are Francis Dafforn, Mayor; Marion Lackey, Police Judge; and Ivan Cain, Dewey Cooley, K.C. Jones, Floren Rose, and Waldo Graves, Councilmen.

1966

March 23— The Cunningham Volunteer Fire Department was summoned to the Francis Wilson farm, five miles east of town, Thursday afternoon, where they extinguished a grass fire.

Cunningham senior Mike Schrant was named to the 1971-72 Golden Plains League all-league basketball team. Steve Albers was named to the second team. Norbert Blasi from Nashville-Zenda received honorable mention.

Members of the CHS senior class will present a three-act farce, "The Whole Town's Talking," Tuesday evening, March 28, at 7:30 o'clock in the high school gym-auditorium. Members of the cast are Nathan Stillwell, Ruby Parsons, Cindy Mantooth, Mary Ann Albers, Danny Cunningham, Mike Schrant, Tom Ford, Kandi Bradley, Juanita Deviney, Mary Kampling, Candice Rohr, Dale Sallee, Denise Neises, and Rena Webster.

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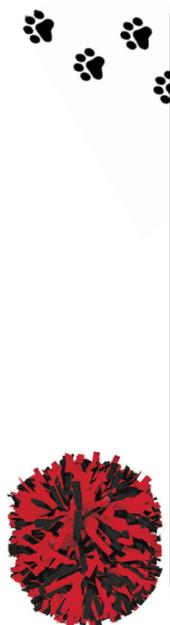
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Middle row: Nora Huff, Brynn Wyatt
Front row: Andi Young, Morgan Oldham



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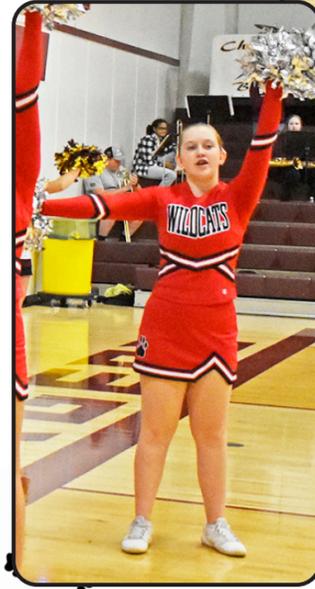
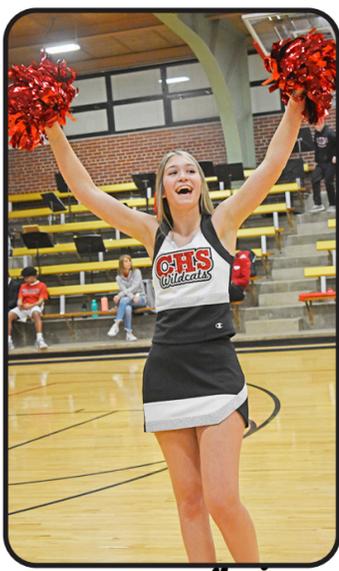
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....Our School and Our Teams



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High School Cheer Squad. Back row: Maranda Lohrke, Hannah Ellis
Middle row: Brianna Dittmer, Elizabeth Paris, Ava Bock
Front row: Madison Dowsey, Ashlynn Miracle



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Pratt County Commission Minutes for March 14, 2022

The Pratt County Commissioners met in regular session, Monday, March 14, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. in the commissioner room, 1st floor of the courthouse. The following members were present: Rick N. Shriver, Thomas W. Jones III, Dwight Adams, Tyson Eisenhauer, county counselor, Lori Voss, county clerk and Mark Graber, IT director.

Jon Roach, noxious weed director, reported his employee passed his test for certification. They attended a conference last week. He received a quote from Fairbanks Equipment for a new tank and spray system. It does not include electric or labor.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to purchase the tank and sprayer assembly from Fairbanks Equipment. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

He reported his part time summer employee is starting next week. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to recess into executive session at 2:05 p.m. for five minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Jones seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to return from executive session at 2:10 p.m. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Commissioner's completed Jon's six-month evaluation. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to approve a 1.00 raise for Jon Roach, noxious weed director. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Joe Novotny, fair board member, presented information on the fair board fundraiser on April 30th. They are applying for a cereal malt beverage license for the event. Tyson stated after receiving the completed application the county will need to notify Township 12 for approval. The form was not completely filled out, so they will fill it out and return to Lori Voss, county clerk.

Billy Hampton fire/rescue reported he would like to get quotes on lockers for the new building. Commissioners gave approval to get prices.

Tyson co-counselor,

contacted Will at Morris Laing concerning the county's employee handbook. Will would like to zoom in and go over a few things before they start working on the handbook.

Commissioner Jones approved minutes from March 7, 2022. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Shriver made a motion to approve Patrick Petersen and Justin Garrett for emergency vehicle permits for city of Pratt fire. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Heather Morgan, economic development/COVID consultant, reported the federal government had thoughts of taking part of ARPA funds for federal budgeting purposes.

Pratt County should receive the second round of ARPA funds in the next week. She has been working with the city of Preston, working on reporting requirements and what they need for the reporting process. The matching grant funds for any county business for exterior improvements will go live May 1. Dept of Commerce business in Pratt County Technology grant funding. She is working with a company that fits the requirements of the department of commerce technology grant. She discussed the change of ownership of the hotel on highway 61. Legislative measures added an additional billion dollars in KPERS. It is now 80% funded. It has been discussed that retirees may receive a thirteenth paycheck this year to catch up since there has been no cost-of-living adjustment. There is federal funding for child care providers from COVID funds, this includes home and day care centers. RNR changes are being discussed. Redistricting maps are being debated.

Tara Pagenkopf, RSVP director, presented checks for signature.

Tim Branscom, emergency manager/zoning director, reported on storm sirens at Skyline and Wildlife and Parks. They are setting those up so they go off when city of Pratt goes off. EMS generator needs new radiator. While waiting for the repairs it will run long enough to open and close the doors until the repairs are finished. He discussed replacing

all the generators in the future. He received a phone call from Karen Detwiler, she would like to put a message on the temporary board about the Pilot Club's Chicken Noodle Dinner. The commissioners had no problem with this.

DJ McMurry requested an executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Jones made a motion to recess into executive session at 2:52 p.m. for five minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Jones made a motion to return from executive session at 2:57 p.m. with no action taken. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Tim Branscom, emergency manager/zoning director, presented a checklist for a zoning case for special use Resolution No. 03-14-22, to construct a workshop for construction related activities at 80062 S 281 Highway, Sawyer, KS for Kessler construction.

Commissioner Shriver read the checklist. Let the record show they went over the seventeen factors and findings. No public comment and no commissioner comment.

Commissioner Shriver moved to adopt Resolution No. 03-14-22. Commissioner Jones seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Tim Branscom, emergency manager/zoning director, requested per-

mission to sign up for a GSA account to make purchases at the federal government pricing during a natural disaster. He has to have a designated domain and a contact person.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve giving Tim the authority to get a GSA account. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Billy Hampton, fire/rescue, asked for clarification for county fire. He reported Pratt County fire is not responding to structure fires in the county. Townships are contacting other townships to assist. He wanted to clarify Pratt County fire is not responding because they are not requested by the townships. Tyson discussed the responsibilities of the commissioners, township chiefs and Pratt County Fire. There is a tanker aid agreement between townships for ISO. Chairman Adams and Commissioner Shriver stated Pratt County only responds when requested.

Chairman Adams discussed the contract for lawn care with Charles Thimesch. Tyson discussed the contract. They discussed the contract is for twelve months. He has been billing per month worked. Chairman Adams made a motion to executive the contract to pay him \$900 every month for twelve months for the courthouse and LEC lawn. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Shriver made a motion for Charles Thimesch to mow the empty lot at Cleveland Mound as needed for \$50 per time. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Doug Freund, road supervisor, presented two road crossings for approval. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to approve a road crossing for Berry Bortz for water lines at NE 40th street, between NE 120th Avenue and NE 130th Avenue. Commissioner Jones seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve a

Road crossing for Ninescah Rural Electric at NE 30th street. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve a one year raise for Louis Bale in the amount of \$1.00. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

He reported he would like to purchase a grader to replace an older one with 19,000 hours. There will be a wait and he would like to start the process now. They discussed a low maintenance road in the area of NW 60th Avenue. They will continue to mow but will grade less. The cost of fuel and supplies was discussed.

George Stevens with American Legion Riders, asked for \$3500.00 for the Fourth of July Fireworks at the Lake on Sunday July 3. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to donate \$3500.00 to the

American Legion Riders for the Fourth of July display. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. George asked about vendors at the lake.

The commissioners stated if they have their own electric source it was ok.

Brad Blankenship, city of Pratt inspector, presented a replat of the Galle addition for signatures. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to replat the Galle addition. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Tyson discussed Scot Loyd and the budget process. He could come and go over the budget process with all department heads, then have individual meetings with department heads to go over their budgets. He will then schedule an appointment with the commissioners to go over the budgets. Tyson will contact him to get dates set up.

He reported there is another unclaimed body. He will follow statutes and is in contact with the coroner.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to sign the vouchers for march 14, 2022. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to adjourn at 4:28 p.m. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

Public Notice

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

Federal Home Loan Corporation, as Trustee for the benefit of the Seasoned Credit Risk Transfer Trust, Series 2020-1

Plaintiff,

vs.

Connie Ann Cook, et al., Defendants.

Case No. 21CV18 K.S.A. 60

Mortgage Foreclosure (Title to Real Estate Involved)

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, State of Kansas, in a certain cause in said Court Numbered **21CV18**, 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 **10:00 am on 4/14/22, at the front**

door of Kingman County Courthouse, the following described real estate located in the County of Kingman, State of Kansas, to wit:

LOT TEN (10); AND THE WEST TEN FEET (W 10') OF LOT TWELVE (12) ON AVENUE "B" EAST, IN THE ORIGINAL TOWN OF KINGMAN, KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS, AS SHOWN BY THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF.

SHERIFF OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

Respectfully Submitted,

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IN THE THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE

ESTATE OF:

JOANNE E. SMITH, Deceased.

Case No. 2022 PR 8

(Petition Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Larry Noakes, Administrator of the above entitled Estate of Joanne E. Smith, deceased, praying for an Order authorizing the private sale of the following described real estate situated in Kingman County, Kansas:

The East Fifteen feet (15') of Lot Thirteen (13); all of Lots Fourteen

(14) and Fifteen (15); and the West Fifteen feet (15') of Lot Sixteen

(16) in Block Two (2), in

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and for further Order confirming the private sale thereof to Donald and Debra Miller for \$53,000.00 cash, with taxes prorated to the date of sale, abstract or title policy to be furnished and possession to be delivered upon closing; and for a further Order authorizing the Administrator to pay the costs of the sale.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before April 12, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. o'clock a.m. in the District Court in the city of Kingman, in Kingman County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard.

Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Larry Noakes
Petitioner

BY: Matthew W. Ricke
349 N. Main, PO Box 113
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(620) 532-3103

Attorney for Petitioner

Kingman County Sheriff's Report

Sunday, March 13th

Traffic stops	7
Fire outside	15000 block NE 50 St. Cheney
Suspicious noise	NE 20 St & NE 160 Ave area, Cheney
Suspicious person	600 block NE 20 Ave. Kingman
Trespassing	13000 block SW 80 St. Nashville
Vehicle disabled	E Bluff St & SE 100 Ave area, Cheney

Monday, March 14th

Traffic stop	13
Sign Down	SW 30 St & SW 170 Ave area, Cunningham
Vehicle disabled	E Hwy 42 & SE 100 Ave area, Rago

Tuesday, March 15th

Traffic stops	4
Alarm	200 block NW 20 Ave Kingman
Sign Down	NE 20 St & N Hwy 14 area Kingman

Wednesday, March 16th

Traffic complaint	@MM 190 Kingman
Assist other agencies	@MM190 Kingman

Damage	400 block S. Main St. Norwich
Fire - vehicle	SE 3rd St. & SE Murdock Ave. area, Murdock
Welfare check	200 block W 4th Ave. Kingman

Thursday, March 17th

Vehicle unlock	SW 110 St. & SW 70 Ave. area
Welfare check	200 block W Stralite Dr. Kingman

Friday, March 18th

Traffic stops	6
Traffic check tag	SW 90 Ave. & W Hwy 54 Kingman
Traffic complaint	13000 block E Hwy 54 Cheney
Vehicle abandoned	13000 block W Hwy 54 Cunningham
Vehicle disabled	SW 50 Ave & W Hwy 54 area Cunningham
Vehicle disabled	E Hwy 54 & NE 70 Ave area, Kingman

Saturday, March 12th

Traffic stops	4
Damage	4000 block SE 90 St. Kingman
Fire	SE 50 Ave & SE 160 St. area Spivey
Fire outside	SE 170 St & SE 50 Ave area, Norwich
Trespassing	300 block S Parkway St. Norwich
Welfare Check	N Hwy 11 & NW 10 St. area Kingman

Local Athletes Participate in Special Olympics State Basketball Tournament

Photos by Molly Morgan



Shelby Cluchey



Anthony Swope



Nicole Romme



Justin Swope

Powerlifting Team Travels to Conway Springs



Above: Erik Paris, Leo Hageman, Scott Wyatt
Below: Brynn Wyatt



photos taken by: Nicole Kerschen, Renae Ruckle and Jamie Thimesch

Saturday, March 12 Cunningham powerlifters hit the road and traveled to Conway Springs for their big invitational. This is Conway's 14th year hosting this event and they have it down to a science. Lots of competition from schools all over the state. Cunningham had a great showing of support, it was a fun day.

The Cunningham crew had more participants lifting this time compared to the Cimarron meet the week before. Athletes participating at the Conway meet: Alice Huelskamp, Brynn Wyatt, Scott Wyatt, Leo Hageman, Jack Ruckle, Erik Paris and Stephen Kerschen. This meet was the first for many of the lifters. Each Cunningham athlete had either performed a personal best or matched their personal best at this meet in one lift or another.

Alice matched her school record and PB in the clean at 135lbs
Brynn competed for the 1st time and did very well at all her lifts
Stephen placed 2nd in his weight class with a new PB in the squat 240lbs
Scott performed a personal best in the squat (210lbs)
Jack placed 4th in his weight class matched his school record PB in the clean at 235lbs

Leo performed a personal best in the bench (175lbs) a PB squat (235lbs) and matched his best clean at (160lbs) Great Job!!

Erik performed well matching his PB in the bench (200lbs) and coming very close to having a huge clean PR.

by Coach Eric Kerschen

"The barbells and dumbbells you hold in your hands and the way you use them have stories to tell."

— Craig Cecil, *Bodybuilding: From Heavy Duty to SuperSlow*

"Reading is weightlifting for the brain"
— Tim Green

"What's not to like about weightlifting?"
— Neil Gander

Public Notice

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March 17, 2022 (2t)

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-26

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TREASURER OF THE KANSAS SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE DISTRICT #001 TO EXERCISE THE POWERS AND DUTIES SET FORTH IN K.S.A. 19-2763(c)

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 19-2763(b) requires that the district treasurer pay all funds received to the Kingman County Treasurer who shall have a duty to keep an accurate account of all funds received and a detailed account of all expenditures made by the district, and make available the record thereof open to public inspection.

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 19-2763(c) allows for the treasurer of an improvement district to perform certain duties otherwise required by the Kingman County Treasurer under K.S.A. 19-2763(b), specifically to secure an appropriate surety bond and hold, distribute and maintain a proper accounting of all funds received and dispersed by the district.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to K.S.A. 19-2763(d) the Board of Directors of the Kansas Sustainable Agriculture District #001, adopted Resolution No. 2022-R1 formally requesting that the treasurer of the district be allowed to exercise the powers allowed under K.S.A. 19-2763(c).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of Kingman County, Kansas that the treasurer of the Kansas Sustainable Agriculture District #001 shall be authorized to exercise the powers and duties as requested by the district as set forth in K.S.A. 19-2763(c).

This Resolution to be published at least once per week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation within the district. If within 60 days after the date of the last publication of this Resolution, a petition signed by not less than 5% or 25 of the qualified electors, whichever is the greater, in such improvement district is filed with the county election officer, such resolution shall not become effective until the question has been submitted to and approved by a majority of the qualified electors of such improvement district voting at the manner provided by the general bond law. All costs incurred by the county pursuant to statutes which dictate this resolution shall be paid by the district.

Adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Kingman County, Kansas this 14th day of March 2022.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS



Fred Foley
Fred Foley, Chairman and Commissioner

ATTEST:
Carol Noblit
Carol Noblit, County Clerk

Jerry Hepning
Jerry Hepning, Commissioner

Jack Wimesch
Jack Wimesch, Commissioner



Wheat Scoop: Celebrate Bake and Take Month This March

Whether you know you will be stress eating carbs during March Madness, have old bananas in the freezer you've been meaning to make into bread or just are looking to bring a smile to someone's face, good things come to those who bake — especially in March! This month is designated as Bake and Take Month, and Kansas Wheat encourages all to use this opportunity to reconnect with others through a heartfelt, freshly-baked treat.

The premise of Bake and Take Month is simple — bake something and share it with a neighbor, friend or relative. Perhaps even more important than how the finished product looks or tastes, deliver them with a personal visit or leave a handwritten note.

“The tradition of Bake and Take Month stretches back more than 50 years,” said Cindy Falk, nutrition educator, Kansas Wheat. “What started as a promotion to educate consumers about the importance of home

baking and the nutritional value of wheat foods also provides a way for us to spend time with our loved ones and give back to our communities.”

Bake and Take Month started with Bake and Take Day in 1970 as a community service project of the Kansas Wheathearts in Sumner County. The Kansas Wheathearts, an auxiliary organization of the Kansas Association of Wheat Growers, set out to share baked goods with family members, friends, neighbors and others, generating community goodwill. The idea of a community member sharing a favorite recipe with someone special was so successful that the Kansas Wheathearts created a national Bake and Take Day celebration in 1973, celebrated on the fourth Saturday in March. Although the Kansas Wheathearts disbanded in 2001, Kansas Wheat continues to support this tradition in partnership with the Home Baking Association.

“Bake and Take Month is a great opportunity for us to gather together in the kitchen and around the oven,” Falk said. “Break out the oven mitts and create memories together while spreading cheer in your community.”

Baking together as a family provides not only an opportunity to bond

together — and potentially cover your kitchen in flour — but also a chance for your children or grandchildren to hone math, science, art, reading and direction-following skills. Learn more about how to include your little ones in Bake and Take Month at <https://eatwheat.org/learn/cooking-kids-kitchen/>.

“Getting kids in the kitchen has many benefits,” wrote registered dietician Jill Ladd on the EatWheat site. “Not only are children more likely to consume foods that they help prepare but inviting them into the kitchen from a young age can instill a love for cooking and help teach them fundamental life skills.”

However you choose to celebrate Bake and Take Month this March, the surprise of a baked good is sure to bring a smile to the recipient's face — continuing the long tradition of baking and sharing together as a community.

Looking for a new recipe to try out for Bake and Take Month? Visit <https://kswheat.com/bakeandtake> or check out the DIY food gift ideas at <https://eatwheat.org/learn/diy-food-gift-ideas/>.

Written by Julia Debes for Kansas Wheat

Barclay College Announces the Spring Production: *The Play That Goes Wrong*

April 1-3 and April 8-10, 2022



Haviland, KS – Barclay College announces their spring production of the riotous comedy, *The Play That Goes Wrong*.

Performances will take place Friday and Saturday, April 1-3 and 8-10 at in the Ross-Ellis Center for Arts and Ministry at Barclay College in Haviland. Friday and Saturday performances will be at 7:00 pm. Sunday performances will be at 3:00 pm. Ticket prices are as follows: Adults, \$10; Children ages 5-12, \$5. All VIP seats will be \$15.

To make reservations, visit www.barclaycollege.edu/BCGoesWrong or contact Randi Shetley at 620-862-5252.

“*The Play That Goes Wrong*,” written by Henry Lewis, Jonathan Sayer, and Henry Shields, will be performed by Barclay College students and area community members. It is directed by Randi Shetley, Director of Fine Arts. The synopsis of the play welcomes guests to opening night of the Cornley Drama Society's newest production, *The Murder at Haversham Manor*, where things quickly go from bad to utterly disastrous. This 1920's whodunit has everything you never wanted in a show - an unconscious leading lady, a corpse that can't play dead, and actors who trip over everything (including their lines). Nevertheless, the accident-prone thespians battle against all odds to make it through to their final curtain call, with hilarious consequences! Part Monty Python, part Sherlock Holmes, this Olivier Award-winning comedy is a global phenomenon that's guaranteed to leave you aching with laughter!! This play is presented by arrangement with Dramatist Play Service, Inc. under license from Mischief World Wide, LTD.

Cast:

Annie, performed by Kadie Clark, Haviland Jr High math/science/STEM teacher from Scott's Valley, CA.

Trevor, performed by Jackson Entz, BC junior, Business major with a Theatre minor from Whitewater, KS.

Chris as Inspector Carter, performed by Chase Groth, BC senior, Worship Arts major from Sedgwick, KS.

Jonathan as Charles Haversham, performed by Noah Kearns, BC freshman, Worship Arts major from Booker, TX.

Robert as Thomas Colley Moore, performed by Payton Stewart, BC senior, Bible & Theology major from Rock Springs, WY.

Dennis as Perkins, performed by Michale Johnson, BC graduate student and Barclay College adjunct professor from Haviland, KS.

Max as Cecil Haversham, and Arthur the Gardner, performed by Adrian White, BC junior, Pastoral Ministry major from Lawrence, KS.

Sandra as Florence Colley Moore, performed by Josanna Henry, BC freshman, Business/Bible & Theology major with a Theatre minor from Waynesboro, VA.



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(Editor's note: I think Roxy would be an incredibly mild-mannered and calm companion. She is a dear.)

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Faye Foster

Faye Bernice Foster, 92, died March 14, 2022 at the Hilltop Manor, Cunningham.

She was born Dec. 13, 1929, at Penalosa the daughter of H.H. and Marie Jones Wyer. A longtime resident of Cunningham, she was a retired Master Seamstress.

Faye was a member of the United Methodist Church.

In 1944, she married Clarence LaVerne Foster at Pretty Prairie; he died in 2002. Survivors include two sons Roy and Bill; 3 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; and 6 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be 1:30 p.m., on Saturday, March 26, 2022 at the Livingston Funeral Home, Kingman.



Paul Hayse

Paul F. Hayse, 92, passed away Wednesday, March 16, 2022 at Good Shepherd Hospice House in Manhattan. He was born on December 22, 1929 in Greensburg to Nathan Berkley and Alma (Blackstone) Hayse. Paul married Lois (Fitzsimmons) Hayse in 1949. She preceded him in death on October 3, 1991. He then married Calora June (Williams) Hayse on December 28, 1979 in Pratt. She preceded him in death on June 16, 2020.

Paul graduated from Greensburg High School. He owned M-C Company in Pratt for 42 years. He was a member of First United Methodist Church, American Legion and Pratt Elks Lodge. He enjoyed working, gardening, building a kit car, visiting with people, walking, volunteering at Pratt Regional Medical Center and spending time with his children and grandchildren. He served as Mayor of Pratt. He was on the city commission and served on the Board of Trustees at Pratt Community College.

He is survived by his son, Michael Hayse of Pratt; daughter, Christine (Randy) Peterson of Manhattan; granddaughters, Leslie (Joshua) Neilson and Megan (Jeremy) Niederwerder all of Manhattan; great-grandchildren, Harper and Hudson Niederwerder, Addilyn, Parker and Lily Neilson; step-daughters, Lynn (Terry) Morris of Newton and Christa Williams of Wichita; and step-grandchildren, A.J., Tyler and Joshua Williams and Abree (Kendall) Abendroth.

Paul is preceded in death by his wife, Calora June Hayse; parents; brothers, Lewie Hayse, Nathan Hayse, Jr. and Carl Hayse; sisters, Ella Hayse, Myra Smith and Mary Jo Tournade; and first wife, Lois Hayse.

Friends may sign the book Thursday, March 24, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at Larrison Mortuary, 300 Country Club Road, Pratt. Memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m., Friday, March 25, 2022 at Larrison Mortuary, Pratt with Tom Harrison presiding. Graveside Service will follow at 2:00 p.m. at Fairview Cemetery, Greensburg.

Memorials may be made to Pratt Health Foundation or Pratt Area Humane Society in care of Larrison Mortuary.



Red Floyd

Robert Stanley Floyd (Red) made it to the finish line here on Earth on Wednesday, March 16, 2022. He ran a great race! He gave life 110% with intestinal fortitude!

A man with many titles and names: husband, father, son, brother, uncle, grandpa, great grandpa, Red, Bob, Robert, Uncle Bob, Uncle Red, Coach Floyd, Mr. Floyd, teacher, principal, boss, mentor, friend, teammate and if you happened to be on the receiving end of his paddle, you may have called him something else!

Born Robert Stanley Floyd on February 18, 1934 to Stanley Benton and Leta LaRean Floyd at the family's farm house near Milton, Kansas. It was a snowy cold night and the doctor from Conway Springs could not make it by car. Stanley hooked a team of horses to the wagon and headed to get the doctor. After the delivery, the doctor asked if LaRean had a name for her baby boy and she said no. The doctor's name was Robert and they decided to name their newborn son Robert.

Robert attended Milton's one room school and excelled in sports. He also attended Southwestern College where he played football and Arkansas City JuCo! He received his Masters Degree in Education from Kansas State Teachers College of Emporia. He taught school at Belle Plaine USD 357 and served as principal, until his retirement in 1988! After retiring from USD 357, Robert worked for Mid-West TV and Appliance for a short time. He also spent his summers working for local farmers around Belle Plaine.

Avid sports fan, hunter, fisherman, golfer and master gardener were his favorite pastimes. He especially enjoyed his grand and great grandkids!

He was preceded in death by his father, Stanley Benton Floyd and mother, Leta LaRean (Jones) Floyd, sisters; Bonita (Floyd) Peck and Joan (Floyd) Phillips. He is survived by his wife, Stanley Ann (Young) Floyd, son, Larry Floyd (Gigi), daughter, Terri (Floyd) Alexander (Dennis), grandkids; Matthew Alexander, Katelyn Alexander Jon Alexander, Erin (Floyd) Faber, Ryan Floyd and Taylor Floyd and nine great grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 5:00-7:00 pm with the family on March 24, 2022 at Petersen Family Funeral Services, 215 N. Main, Newton, Kansas.

Memorial service will be at 10:00 am on March 25, 2022 at Petersen Family Funeral Services, 215 N. Main, Newton, Kansas.

The family wishes to greet you immediately after the funeral at Petersen's.

There will be a private burial ceremony later in the day on March 25, 2022.

In Lieu of flowers, please consider contributing to a memorial fund titled "Floyd and Peck Families Memorial Fund". This fund is managed by Legacy Regional Community Foundation, P.O. Box 713, Winfield, Kansas 67156, telephone: 620-221-0532 or (www.legacyregionalfoundation.org). Money from this fund will be awarded to projects or needs within the Belle Plaine community.



Shirley Ellis

Cimarron - Shirley Jean Ellis, 79, died March 8, 2022 at The Shepard's Center, Cimarron. She was born on August 9, 1942 in Pratt, the daughter of Samuel "Roy" and Virginia Irene (Ratlief) Ellis.

Shirley grew up in Cunningham and later moved to Pratt. After her parents passed, she moved to Dodge City and resided at Arrowhead West. She worked at Trinity Laundry and at Arrowhead West shops. In 2009, she moved to The Shepherd's Center in Cimarron where she was greatly treasured. Shirley enjoyed Christian concerts and attending the activities the nursing home provided and also loved to read. She attended First Assembly of God Church in Dodge City.

Shirley is survived by a brother, Sherman Ellis and wife, Charlotte of Wichita; a sister, Virginia Galliard and husband, Steve of Cimarron; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Norman "Shorty" Ellis; and a nephew, Ricky Ellis.

Graveside service were held at Maud Cemetery in Cunningham on Wednesday, March 16, 2022 with David Johnson presiding. Memorials are suggested to The Shepherd's Center in care of the funeral home. Thoughts and memories may be shared in the online guest book at www.swaimfuneralhome.com.



Marilyn Rose

Marilyn Rochelle Rose, 56, passed away February 24, 2022 in Haviland, Kansas. She was born in Fredrick, OK. October 30, 1965 to John and Gene (Farris) Myers. Marilyn married Robin Rose January 29, 1983 at the Glendale United Methodist Church of Glendale, KS. They were married for 39 years.

Marilyn graduated from Pratt High School. She worked in the Deli Department at Dillons in Pratt and also the Haviland Care Center in Haviland, KS. She was a case Manager for Iriquois in Greensburg, KS. Marilyn enjoyed Crafts, making jackets and wreaths for family and friends. She attended the Methodist Church in Haviland and Pratt.

She is survived by her husband Robin, sons, Matt (Jami) Rose of Alva, OK, Michael (Christan) Rose of Towanda; daughter, Melissa McDuff of Jacksonville, FL.; Her parents John (Gene) Myers, of Alva, OK. Brother, Michael (Julie) Myers; mother-in-law Mary Ann Rose, Pratt, KS. and many neices and nephews. Grandchildren, Kanyon and Wyatt Culwell, Joey Clayton, Rylan, Westin and Jensen Rose, Josh Manderick, Jaylyn Scribner, Travis Hazelwood, Emma and Kobi Rose.

Marilyn is preceded in death by her father-in-law, Fred Rose, grandparents Alton and Inabelle Farris, aunt Elaine Evans, and cousin Vicki Evans.

Cremation has taken place and a Memorial service will be 11:00 am Wednesday April 23, 2022 at the Haviland Methodist Church.

Memorials may be made to Pratt Area Humane Society in care of Larrison Funeral Mortuary 300 Country Club Pratt, KS 67124.

Online condolences may be made at www.larrisonmortality.com.

"Love is how you stay alive, even after you are gone."
— Mitch Albom

Rhianna Terrell

Rhianna (McBroom) Terrell, of Derby, Kansas passed away on Saturday, March 12, 2022.

Rhianna was a redeemed child of God through her faith in the finished work of Jesus the Christ. Rhianna was a loving daughter, an amazing wife and a friend that would always give her heart to help others. She loved her husband with all her heart and she loved his children like her own. The world lost a light the day she left here but heaven is even brighter now. There are not enough words to express the impact her heart had on others but for those who have been impacted, they will forever know her love.

She is survived by husband Edward Sr.; children Faith and Edward Jr.; parents Jerry and Maryann McBroom; sister Rian Brown; and her fur baby Jazzy.

Funeral service were held Tuesday, March 22, 2022 at Resthaven Mortuary with graveside service to follow.



Fritzie Hausfeld

Louise "Fritzie" Sprauer Hausfeld, 84, died March 17, 2022 at her home outside Kingman. She was the daughter of William J. and Mary M. Helmig Sprauer.

She was born July 19, 1937, in Dayton, Ohio. She met and married the love of her life Bernard "Bernie" Hausfeld. They were soon blessed with six children and relocated to Kansas in 1973. This is where she found her true calling as both mother and homemaker.

Louise is survived by her husband Bernard; her children Regina Barker with husband Mark, Dianna Simon with husband Fred, Patricia Pearson with husband Travis, Chris Hausfeld with wife Amy, Maria Hoffman with husband Matt, and Bill Hausfeld with wife Anne

Marie; her brother Charles Sprauer; 15 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren. She will be dearly missed by all of her loved ones. She was preceded by her siblings Rolland, Eileen, Joe, Marie, Margaret Ann and William.

Mass of Christian Burial was held on Tuesday, March 22, 2022 at the St. Louis Catholic Church in Waterloo. Burial was in the St. Louis Catholic Cemetery.

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