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Kingman County Commission Minutes June 21, 2021

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commission Room of the County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on June 21st, 2021. Those present: Jerry Henning, Chairman; Fred Foley, Commissioner; Jack Thimesch, Commissioner; Carol Noblit, County Clerk; John Caton, County Counselor

Visitors: Bob Morris, The Leader-Courier; Shelby Snyder, Chamber of Commerce; Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director and Deanna Gerhardt.

Staff: Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Richard Schott, Emergency Manager; Susan Hubbell, Register of Deeds and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director

Chairman Henning called the Board of County Commissioners Meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Chairman Henning asked if there were any additions to the agenda.

No additions were requested.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Henning asked if there was any public comment.

No public Comment.

Shelby Snyder, Chamber of Commerce was in to discuss placing a magnetic sign on the Expo Sign.

Commissioners agreed to allow the Chamber of Commerce to place a magnetic sign on the Expo Center sign.

The County Clerk submitted quotes for 80 cases of copy paper from the following:

Roberts Hutch Line in the amount of \$2636.00

Office Plus in the amount of \$2380.00

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the quote from Office Plus in the amount of \$2380.00 for 80 cases of copy paper. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners discussed the agreement for the Heritage Hall of Honor.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the agreement for the Heritage Hall of Honor. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion

was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners reviewed the Resolution for the Appraiser appointment.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the Appraiser appointment Resolution 2021-R10, A RESOLUTION APPOINTING COUNTY APPRAISER PURSUANT TO K.S.A. 19-430 AND APPROVING THE FORM OF A COUNTY APPRAISER EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH APPOINTMENT. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the Appraiser's contract with Kingman County. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Henning discussed the Sheriff's request of hiring a detective.

Commissioner Thimesch would like to see some progress on the drug issue before adding another position.

Commissioner Foley said he wouldn't mind hiring a detective but he would like to see some results.

Chairman Henning presented the following façade program requests for payment.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the façade program amount for Trinity Fitness in the amount of \$2062.50. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the façade program amount for Kingman Chiropractic in the amount of \$2500.00. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the façade program amount for Cozy's in the amount of \$2500.00. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director was in with a CDBG-CV grants for Fairchild Tree Service and The Body Shop.

Ms. Schrag submitted an application for approval for Anderson Family Restaurant.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the CDBG-CV grant application for Anderson Family Restaurant. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Ms. Schrag discussed the Kingman County Dilapidated Structure abatement program.

Commissioners agreed to help clean up properties by letting them use the landfill but they want it to help the property owner not the contractors.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve \$25,000.00 for the Kingman County Dilapidated Structure Abatement Program. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session with Stan Goetz, HR and John Caton, Counselor at 9:20 a.m. to discuss an employee's evaluation pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of non-elected personnel matters of nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed, and will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 9:30 a.m. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 9:30 a.m. with no decision made.

Mr. Goetz and the Commissioners discussed some properties that need cleaned up.

Mr. Goetz submitted building permits for the following:

Nathan Smith for a shed in Section 28, Township 27, Range 06W.

Brian Lechner for a shed/living quarters in Section 13, Township 30, Range 06W.

James Krueger for a concrete pad in Section 14, Township 28, Range 05W.

Mr. Goetz discussed the Health Insurance with the Commissioners.

Mr. Goetz discussed the planning/zoning commission board and they have submitted a name for the Commission to review.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Chairman Henning moved to go into executive session with Stan Goetz, HR and John Caton, Counselor at 9:53 a.m. to discuss an employee's evaluation pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of non-

elected personnel matters of nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed, and will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners returned to regular session at 10:00 a.m. with no decision made.

Susan Hubbell, Register of Deeds was in to discuss her budget request with the Commissioners. Ms. Hubbell let the Commissioners know that the price of linen paper is going up and postage will be going up.

Ms. Hubbell discussed policies with the County Commissioners.

Ms. Hubbell discussed a request that was received for production minerals and how it was being handled.

Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in with an update on Evan #8 RCB for the Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf let the Commissioners know about a letting date for Bridge repair for W.3-8.0(Booster Station Bridge) on July 26th at 11:00 a.m. and it will let electronically.

Mr. Arensdorf gave an update to the Commissioners on the drainage channel behind the Courthouse and Law Enforcement Center.

Mr. Arensdorf updated the Commissioners on the 2021 Hot Mix Overlay Schedule and that they should be starting on Thursday or Friday of this week.

Mr. Arensdorf discussed the Fiscal Year 2023 Off-System Bridge Program.

Mr. Arensdorf discussed the annual review of the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Linda Langley, Internal Auditor was in to discuss budget information with the Commissioners.

Commissioners discussed the upcoming city/county joint meeting that will be held on June 30th, 2021 at the Expo Center North Room.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 12:06 p.m. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Independence Day Reminders

Fourth Annual Spark in the Park!

On Saturday, July 3rd there will be a youth sand volleyball tournament to benefit Cunningham Recreation. There will be two divisions: 8th grade and under (upcoming school year) or just finished high school and younger. Everyone on your team must be younger than the age limit. Entry fee is \$10 per player, which can be paid that morning. To enter your team, contact Shawna Sterneker at 620-332-3948. Championship teams in each division will win those coveted t-shirts.

Volunteers NEEDED!

The community needs folks to volunteer to help cook and serve hamburgers and hotdogs for our Independence Day hamburger feed, if you can help, please contact

Bernie Albers at 620-243-3112.

The Independence Day Hamburger Feed is Back!

The Independence Day hotdog and hamburger supper is going to happen on Saturday, July 3rd. Serving will start at 5:00 p.m. and EVERYONE is invited. The much appreciated volunteers will serve until they run out of either the entrees or diners.

Chips and beverages will be provided.

The lovely ladies of the Cunningham Women's Club will be serving ice cream and desserts and collecting money in a free-will offering to go to fund the various community projects and charities supported through our generous donations. Please give generously.

Ladies, if you have not been contacted to bring a dessert, please let Liz Miller know.

CATHOLIC Masses

St. Peter's,
Willowdale

Saturdays
4:00 p.m.

Sacred Heart,
Cunningahm

Saturdays
5:30 p.m.

St. Johns's, Zenda

Sundays
8:30 a.m.

St. Leo

Sunday
10:00 a.m.

Fr. Roger Lumbre
620-243-5451
620-246-5370

CHURCH
OF
CHRIST
Penalosa

Worship
11:00 a.m.

620-474-9131

CHRISTIAN
Cunningham

Contact
the
church
for
service
schedule.

Pastor Mike McGovney
620-298-3201

LUTHERAN
St. John's
Nashville

Sunday School
& Bible Class
9:45 a.m.

Worship Service
8:30 a.m.

Trinity
Medicine Lodge
Morning Worship
10:30 a.m.
620-656-7431

Sunday School
& Bible Class
9:15 a.m.

Pastor Dennis
Fangmeyer
620-246-5220
Cell: 620-886-0911

Our Worship service is found on YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCren-CH12I9nmpcojCFyYLA>. You can also find the service on Facebook by searching for either St. John Lutheran Church, Nashville or Trinity Lutheran Church, Medicine Lodge.

UNITED METHODIST
Penalosa

Worship
9:15 a.m.

Cunningham
Worship 10:45 a.m.

620-298-2090
Pastor Mathew
Ndambuki Musyoki

UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH
Zenda

101 N. Main
Sunday Worship
9 a.m.

Sunday School:
Children 8:30 a.m.
Adult 10:00 a.m.

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Saturday July 3rd
Spark in the Park
Volleyball

5:00 p.m.
Community Center
Independence Day
Hamburger Feed

Monday, July 12th
7:00 p.m.
BOE Meeting

Saturday, July 17th
all day at Lions' Park
Judgement House
Volleyball tournament

Wednesday, August 11
School Enrollment

Sunday, July 4th
Last day for fireworks.

Ninnescah Valley Bank

will be closed

Monday, July 5th

in observance of

Independence Day.

Kingman Historic
Theatre

237 N. Main in Kingman
(620) 532-1253

<http://www.kingmantheatre.org/>

July 2nd - 4th

Fast & Furious
9: The Fast Saga

Rated: PG-13

Showtimes are Thursday at 9:45 p.m.
Friday and Saturday at 7:30pm
and Sunday at 5:30pm.

All Seats: \$6.00
Doors open 45 before showtime.

FREE Thursday Movie
July 1st 7:30 p.m.

Agenda 2:
Masters of Deceit

Not rated
Sponsored By:
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July 3, 2021

Liverpool Legends:
A Beatles Tribute
w/John Rowdy
7:00pm
(Will conclude before
the City Fireworks)
Tickets: \$10-\$51

Fundraisers & Charitable
Opportunities in our Community

Cunningham Public Library

4C Day Care Shop smile.amazon.com or contact Kathy Albers 620-298-2725 or 620-388-0774

West Kingman County Education Foundation

Use your Dillon's Card! Shop smile.amazon.com
(Janet DeWeese 620-298-2717)

Hands of Hope (contact Fitzsimmons Insurance or any church)

Cunningham Alumni Scholarship Fund
(send checks to the West Kingman County Education Foundation)

Cunningham Community Center (leave donation at the bank)

Lions' Club (leave your old eyeglasses at the bank)

Cunningham Museum (to donate contact Donna Glenn)

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YEARS AGO IN

The
Cunningham Clipper

W.A. Bradley, Editor

1931

July 3-Wheat har-
vesting is in full swing
this week, with farmers
reporting the best crop
since 1914. The only
sad part of the harvest is
the price of wheat, 40¢
a bushel, and this price
failed to stand up longer
than the first good day
of harvest and has now
dropped to 33¢ a bushel.

Joe Brents, Head
Driller on the old
Cunningham Oil and Gas
Company test three miles
north of town in 1918,
was in Cunningham this
week, working with a
harvest crew.

1936

July 3-Wheat har-
vesting is in full swing
this week. The weather
has been perfect for har-
vesting, yields are run-
ning from 10 to 30 bush-
els per acre, and the price
has jumped from 75¢ to
98¢ per bushel during the
past week.

1941

July 4- Ed Canaday,
Superintendent of the
Skelly Oil Company
Gasoline Plant here,
has been promoted to
General Manager with
the company, and will
have charge over the lo-
cal plant along with six
other gasoline plants in
Oklahoma.

1946

July 5-A severe elec-
trical storm struck this
community Sunday after-
noon, with a good shower
of rain falling accompa-
nied by a strong wind.

The storm came as
a prelude to the atomic
bomb test and came as
everyone was tuning in
on radios for the broad-
cast from Bikini in the
far Pacific where the test
was being made. As a
result of the storm no
one heard the broadcast
but felt that the bomb had
spread out over the vast
area to include the United
States too.

The Ratcliffe building
was struck by lightning
during the storm and a
chimney was wrecked
and some bricks torn
from the building.
Telephone and electric
lines in the city and com-
munity were badly dam-
aged and the east part of
town was without lights
for some time when a
transformer went out at
the east edge of town.

Across The Editor's
Desk

Your Editor was sur-
prised to learn when
reading of the results
of the atom bomb tests
in the Marshall Islands,
that the USS Gilliam,
attack transport no. 57,

was one of eight vessels
sunk by the bomb. Now
I'm not going to shed a
tear over the old tub, but
I was once a passenger
on her (along with 1999
others) on a trip from
San Francisco to Pearl
Harbor, Hawaii (my first
ocean ride).

Perhaps my fondest
memory of her (outside
of my encounter with
the disease, seasickness)
was the way the passen-
gers were packed into her
compartments. So close
were the quarters that one
of the boys remarked:
"We're packed in here
just like sardines, only
sardines are dead."—Bill
Bradley

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Beans 10 No. 300 Tins
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43¢

Santa Fe Dark Improved
Kidney Beans 2 No. 2
Tins 33¢

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(Smooth or Crunchy)
12-Ounce Tumbler 33¢

Santa Fe Green Cut
Asparagus No. 1 Picnic
Tin 23¢

1956

July 5-The Christian
Women's Fellowship
met in the church base-
ment last Thursday af-
ternoon, with Mrs. Mary
Franks and Mrs. Mason
Wetherall as hostesses.

President Mrs. John
Baber opened the meet-
ing with the poem,
"Perseverance," followed
by the opening song,
"The Old Rugged Cross,"
and prayer by Mrs. Fred
Millhauser.

Members answered
roll call with "Guess Your
Unknown Friend," after
which Mrs. Willis Welch
gave the devotionals on
the topic, "Christmas."

After a brief business
meeting, the afternoon
was spent socially reveal-
ing unknown friends of
the past year. Mrs. Welch
and Mrs. Earl Parks were
in charge of the social
hour.

The hostesses served
delicious refreshments of
Lemon Delight and iced
tea to 19 members and
one visitor, Mrs. Delmar
Crick.

Bennett & Roberts
Drilling Company have
moved in a rig and are
drilling a wildcat well on
the Roy McNamee land,
two miles north and one
mile east of Cunningham.
The test is about half-way
between the Cunningham
Oil and Gas Field and the
Dresden Oil Field.

Two dry holes were
drilled a number of years
ago near the center of the
section where the pres-
ent well is being drilled.
One of the dry holes was
drilled to a total depth of
3,600 feet, and the other
to 4,527 feet.

The Cunningham area
has been the welcome
victim of several evening
thunderstorms during the
past week, and upwards
of three inches of rainfall
has been reported from
the storms.

Most farmers have
done some plowing of
wheat ground following
harvest, while others are
letting the ground go un-
prepared for a while until
drier weather sets in.

The sorely needed
moisture came none too
soon for feed crops, and
will probably brighten
the pasture picture.

Farmers have been
wondering what would
have happened had this
been a normal wheat har-
vesting year instead of an
early year. They say that
ordinarily the rains dur-
ing the past two weeks
would have caught many
in the middle of harvest
during any other year
but this year. Farmers
experienced near-perfect
wheat harvesting weather
in this area this year,

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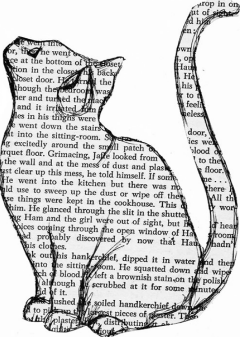
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Meanderings

Serendipity, seren- dipitous, serendipities. Serendipity is defined by Merriam-Webster as the faculty or phenomenon of finding valuable or agree- able things not sought for.

This week, (and it's only Tuesday) serendipi- tous occasions and events were plentiful, brighten- ing my day and causing me to smile and remi- nisce of other pleasant memories.

Be sure to read Mary (Walker) Fladness's

serendipitous story be- low—and my comments. It has made me smile many times over. That's okay, I'll wait, go ahead and read it. See if you don't smile. Serendipity, indeed.

This little story from a friend who lost her mom this last March on the first day of spring:

“I had a most unusual happening at the cem- etery that I have to share. A family was picking out a lot and after they all left a male red bird came up. I know that some believe a red bird is a visitor from heaven. It kept hopping on my car and sitting on the side mirrors of my car and flying to the nearby fence and back and forth. It kept singing its song, too. It stayed for about 20 minutes, and I kept talking to it. I felt like it

was my mom checking in on me. It felt special.”

Don't you love read- ing stories like this?

Don't we all have sto- ries to tell? Mr. Gilstrap isn't a professional writ- er, neither is my friend, Martha, or Mrs. Fladness, or very dear friend, Karen Eck, and yet they have told us their stories in plain and delightful ways. They have brought smiles to our hearts and tears to our eyes.

What is keeping you all from sharing your stories? Don't you want to make other people smile and laugh and cry and tug their memo- ries? Your story could be someone else's in- spiration. Wouldn't you rather read something besides or in addition to my meanderings?

Stories don't even

have to be long. Stories are memories that need to be shared. Really. That's all they are.

♥ ♥ ♥

This weekend I will be moving my little reading self to New York City and partner up with Bernie Rhodenbarr. He may not be the best character to team up with, after all, he spent some time in jail when he was younger. Now he just tries not to get caught stealing jewels and works of art and rare bits of this and that.

Lawrence Block's first book in the series is “Burglars Can't Be Choosers”. In this book, Bernie is hired by a stranger to steal some- thing from a rich man, but instead is set up for a murder, and he has to try and prove he didn't do

it. I read this book 25 or 30 years ago, and maybe one of his other ones. I know I liked Bernie and his menagerie of friendly, but dishonest and criminal friends, and now I am going to read all 11 of his stories. That should take me through most of July.... Not sure where August is going to find me, but I am sure I will find someplace and someone(s) to spend the hot summer days with.

Always reading, And currently reading, “A Piece of the World” By Christina Baker Kline, Roberta

“There's a serendipity to real life that the Internet can't duplicate. Do you use the library? For anything? Well, sometimes you end up picking up the book next to

the one you were looking for, and it's that book that changes your life.”

—Laura Lippman, *Hardly Knew Her*

“1. Write every day
2. Write what interests you.
3. Write for the child in- side of you. (Or the adult, if you are writing adult books.)
4. Write with honest emotion
5. Be careful of being facile
6. Be wary of preaching
7. Be prepared for serendipity.

Finally I would re- mind you of something that Churchill told a group of school boys: “Never give up. Never give up. Never, never, never give up.”

— Jane Yolen

A Letter to the editor and her readers

Readers, I received the following letter this past week, and enjoyed it so much, I have typed it up for you to enjoy as well. It is a small world... until one tries to paint it.

I should introduce my- self – I am Mary Evelyn

(Walker) Fladness. I was born and raised on a farm south of Cunningham, graduated from CHS with the class of 1944, gradu- ated from St. Francis School of Nursing in 1947.

Always looking for a warmer clime, I settled in Tucson, Az. It is 114°F degrees as I write this!

I married an AF navi- gator which brings me to this story.

One of our AF as- signments was here in Tucson at Davis Monthan AFB where we became friends with a naviga- tor in 1955 named John Campbell. John grew up on a Missouri farm so we led similar lives. We live in a senior retirement vil- lage and John and I share our stories over breakfast or a dinner out. I share my copy every week of the Courier with John.

Last evening he came to dinner with newspaper in hand, neatly folded to the story “Miracle Landing WWII Dec. 1944. “I flew with this man on several flights and also with Raymond Klutz, the pilot” he said.

John keeps excellent records of all his flights, transfers, crew members where assigned, etc. He has written a history of his AF career spanning

over 50 years as part of his thesis. It reads like a novel and “peaks” your interest as you turn ev- ery page. So far he has a copy for every family member—Boy! Are they lucky!

If you have Billie Gilstrap's address, he might find this story to add to his. John is ever the military rep. in good health and will no doubt break 100 in a couple

years.

Hope you find this in- teresting as well as some of your readers remember those “war years”.

To make the world just a little bit smaller, I hope Billie Gilstrap, liv- ing in Tucson, AZ, about 10 miles or so from Mary and John can make a connection with them.

--the editor

Years Ago

and now the rains have come to help in getting the ground ready for fall planting.

1961

July 6-Fr. John Reinkemeyer, pastor of the Sacred Heart Church in Cunningham the past three years, left last Thursday for a new pas- torate at Arma.

Succeeding Fr. Reinkemeyer at the lo- cal parish, is the former Arma parish priest, Fr. Colin Boor. Fr. Boor has served the Arma parish since 1955.

Members of the Sacred Heart Church honored Fr. Reinkemeyer with a fair- well party in the school auditorium a week ago Sunday evening.

Cunningham's Little Leaguers, sporting a 4-0 record in Ninnescah League play, received

a bye in the first round of play in the league tournament to be held at Arlington, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday ev- enings, July 6, 7, and 8.

Cunningham will play the winner of the Sylvia-Turon game, Friday evening, July 8, at 9:00 o'clock in a tournament semi-finals game.

Other league teams in the tournament are Sylvia, Turon, Pretty Prairie, Preston, and Arlington.

Going into the tour- nament, Cunningham was leading the league standings with a 4-0 re- cord, trailed by Arlington 3-1, Sylvia and Pretty Prairie 2-2, Turon, 1-3, and Preston 0-4.

Cunningham's Junior Leaguers are tied for third with Turon, each with a 2-2 record, in the league standings. Leading the league is Pretty Prairie 4-0, with Sylvia in second place 3-1, Cunningham

and Turon 2-2, Arlington 1-3, and Preston 0-4.

Lennie Schnittker, Cunningham's contri- bution to professional baseball, pitched a dis- tinctive victory for the Reno, Nev., Silver Sox in the California League last week. Lennie was on the mound in the game won by Reno to clinch the first-half league championship.

Lennie currently has a 4-3 record, and the Silver Sox are leading the league by 11 games.

1971

July 1- June was the month of the Spring Tour for the members of the Cunningham 4-H Club.

The tour began at the Joe Rohling home where Janet Rohling showed us her garden. From there we went to the Francis Starr home where Elaine Starr showed us her home

improvement project. Then we traveled to the north end of town to the Dale Sheldon home where Lance Sheldon showed us his garden. Right next door to them we went to the Vernon Spade home where Jeff Spade showed us his garden. Then we went to the Melvin Oller home where Marlene showed us her horse. From there we went out in the coun- try to the Edwin Steffen home where Suzanne Steffen showed us her baby beef. Then we went to the Al Joe Sterneker home where Bruce and Randy showed us their lambs and their garden. We finished our tour with a picnic at the Sterneker home. —Kathy Kampling, Reporter

The finals in the Cunningham Invitational Men's Slo-Pitch Softball Tournament, will be played tonight (Thursday,

July 1), starting at 8:00 o'clock.


Going into Wednesday night's semi-finals, five teams were left in the double-elimination tour- nament which began Sunday evening with 10 teams. Two Pratt teams, Pratt New Deal Schlitz and Pratt Guarantee Mutual were both unde- feated after two rounds of play, and clashed in the 8:00 o'clock game. The winner advances to the finals, and the loser drops into the loser's brack- et where they will play the winner of the los- er's bracket in Thursday night's first game at 8:00 o'clock.

Three once-beaten

teams remained in the loser's bracket going into Wednesday night's games-two Kingman teams and Cunningham. The Kingman Merchants played Kingman Harbert in the 9:00 o'clock game, with the winner meeting Cunningham in the 10:00 o'clock game.

There is no admission charge to the tournament, but a free-will offering is being taken each night.

The tournament is sponsored by the Cunningham Lions Club, and proceeds will go for ball park improvements. Fr. Eugene Robl is the tournament director.



MANHATTAN — Nearly 3,130 students completed degree re- quirements from Kansas State University in spring 2021. The graduates are from 101 Kansas coun- ties, 44 states and 44 countries.

The university award- ed 2,207 bachelor's de- grees, 700 master's de-

Kansas State University Students Earn Degrees, Graduation Honors

grees, 216 doctorates — 115 of which are Doctor of Veterinary Medicine — and 12 associate de- grees. Several students earned multiple degrees.

More than 620 stu- dents earned graduation honors for outstanding academic performance. Of those, 222 students graduated summa cum laude with a grade point

average of 3.95 or above, 208 students graduated magna cum laude with a grade point average of 3.85 to 3.949, and 194 students graduated cum laude with a GPA of 3.75 to 3.849.

Cunningham: Mikaela Meyers, Bachelor of Science in Family Studies and Human Services, Summa Cum Laude

Kingman: Katelyn Harbert, Bachelor of Science in Agriculture, Secondary Major, Summa Cum Laude; Garrett Higgins, Master of Arts; Drew Krehbiel, Bachelor of Science in Agriculture; Kacie Rohlman, Bachelor of Science, Summa Cum Laude



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2021 Cunningham Swim Team





Come cheer the swimmers on as they compete here in Cunningham on Friday, July 2nd for Swim Finals!!


Back Row: Rylee Miller, Sydney Albers, Camre Haumont, Quinn Thibault, Andrew Schultz, Stephen Kerschen, Kyra Morgan, Kathryn Weide

Middle Row: Ava Evans, Caitlyn Fischer, Gunner Glenn, Liam McGuire, Addyson Huffman, Tyler Osner, Keyonna Huffman, Alyssa Osner, JohnPaul Kerschen, Andrew Kerschen, Brody Halderson

Front Row: Tavon Bell, Carly McGuire, Jalynn McGuire, Mackley Glenn, AnnMarie Kerschen, Addison Fischer, Maelyn Jump, Zellie Arnold, Ty Schultz, Casyn Miller

Sitting: Coaches Kendra Morgan and Taylor Schultz

Not Pictured: Kane Reid



submitted by Barb Schultz

Cheerleaders attend Shriners' All-Star Cheer Camp



photos by Deborah Sulenes



The CHS cheerleaders were in Hutchinson for the 48th annual Kansas Shrine Bowl. They participated in the four-day All-Star Cheer Camp that ended Saturday, June 26th with a parade and the Kansas Shrine Bowl football game. The girls learned new cheers, dance routines, and tumbling skills. Our cheerleaders are Madison Dowsey, Ashlynn Miracle, Hannah Ellis, Brianna Dittmer, Maranda Lorkhe, Ava Bock, and Elizabeth Paris.

It's All Fun and Books at the Cunningham Public Library



Hey kids! "Hey Ralphie" our first StoryWalk® of the season awaits! You'll find it at Lions Park. We're hoping the cooler temps. will encourage walking and reading--a great combination!

Please take a moment or two to tell us the number and ages of the people in your walk if you haven't already. You can also recommend a book here: <https://docs.google.com/.../1G1PmjEY7gZXPXwpr0f5C2YI.../edit>

You can report information here each time you take the StoryWalk®!

This data is so important to have for our year-end reports to The State Library of Kansas where our numbers tell our story! Please help us give a good, accurate account of our program participation

P.S. To our library friends, Wayne and Rogene: The StoryWalk® survived the recent storm beautifully! Hurray!



"Cram your head with characters and stories. Abuse your library privileges. Never stop looking at the world, and never stop reading to find out what sense other people have made of it. If people give you a hard time and tell you to get your nose out of a book, tell them you're working. Tell them it's research. Tell them to pipe down and leave you alone."

— Jennifer Weiner

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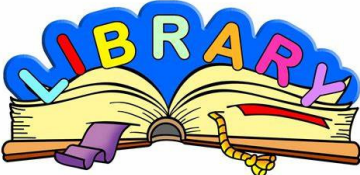
Guest Day at the library - We learned about beekeeping on a virtual tour of a farm in Durham, N.C. Then, guest, Joyce Depenbusch did a STEM project with the kids. We'll check back in with the kids to see how their seed corn is doing and to discuss their predictions and outcomes for the project. The kids also took turns grinding wheat into flour. Thanks for a great program, Joyce!



Over and under - Weaving fun during Summer Reading at CPL . "Joy to the fishes..."



Fish Tales Finale!



Magic Story Artist Yasu Ishida performed for us virtually and showed us how to make an origami whale. The kids also made an origami frog, and a puppy puppet. Thanks, Taylor, for helping with the program!

Wheat Scoop:

Zesty Strawberry Lemonade Swirls Win Youth People's Choice Award at the 2021 National Festival of Breads



Homemade red strawberry jam layered in between lemon-flavored dough and shaped in an attractive swirl made Maggie Sleichter's Strawberry Lemonade Swirls catch the eye of online voters, who selected her recipe as the youth People's Choice winner for the 2021 National Festival of Breads.

Sleichter's recipe was inspired by a trip with her grandmother to the 2019 National Festival of Breads, held in person in Manhattan, Kansas. The

taste of the beetroot amaretto rolls — one of the 2019 finalist recipes — stuck out to the pair, so they re-created the recipe at home but twisted the recipe into a swirl shape.

Two years later, her mother pointed out the 2021 contest was virtual, and Sleichter should consider entering. That night at her work in a local grocery store in Clay Center, Kansas — Sleichter's hometown — she thought about how strawberry lemonade was one of her favorite fla-

vors, but she had not seen it in a roll recipe — and why not use that swirl shape that had worked so well before?

"I like the uniqueness of the shape because it looks like it's really complex, especially because in some of the pictures we have it looks like it's a lattice pie crust, but it was really just twisted in a spiral," she said. "But then, the flavor is a unique combination for breads. You either get something strawberry banana or you get lemon blueberry, not strawberry lemonade."

Slechter started baking with her grandmother and other family members through the 4-H Foods Project. One of her pieces of advice for youth bakers like herself is to just keep trying, recounting how she once made her recipe for the county fair seven times in one

week, and the end product ended up earning the Grand Champion prize.

“There were really just little things that were off each time like an egg wash not getting fully mixed well,” she said. “So it was just a lot of trial and error.”

She applied that same process to building her original recipe entry for the National Recipe of Breads. Sleichter used a specific sugar substitute in her recipe — Truvia — because her own body does not process sugar normally, and one of her sisters is allergic to aspartame. She also used KING ARTHUR® All-Purpose Flour and RED STAR® Quick-Rise Yeast for her recipe, which received top scores for taste and quality. She cautioned home bakers trying out her recipe to carefully watch the strawberry jam reduc-

tion and use just the right amount of lemon.

“One of the biggest tips is to make sure you smash the strawberries down to really small pieces because it will help it cook faster and solidify better,” she said. “If you are using a wooden spoon and swipe through the middle of it if you can see the bottom of the pan, then you can tell it’s definitely ready. Also, make sure not to overdo it on the lemon extract because a little bit goes a long way.”

Sleighter also recommended making sure the bread is placed in a warm spot to rise, remembering that she was baking versions of her recipe during the Arctic freeze in February 2021. Because her whole house was cold, she sat loaves to rise on top of a wood-burning stove in the basement.

All her hard work paid

off on June 9 when she was selected as the youth People's Choice winner for the 2021 National Festival of Breads, based on online votes in May 2021. She made sure to take her box of prizes to her grandmother to help unwrap them — continuing the tradition of sharing and celebrating baking bread together that is the spirit of the festival.

Including Sleichter, recipes submitted by three adults and two youth finalists — representing states from coast to coast — were hand-picked to be featured during this year's virtual festival. Find the recipe for Strawberry Lemonade Swirls, learn more about the other finalists and see more about the contest at www.NationalFestivalofBreads.com



Ingredients

Strawberry Jam

Juice of 1 medium lemon (about 3 tablespoons)
1 (16-ounce) package frozen unsweetened strawberries
½ cup plus 2 tablespoons granulated sugar substitute*

Dough

1 cup warm whole milk
(110°F-115°F)
1 (1/4 ounce) package RED
STAR® Quick-Rise™ Yeast
2 tablespoons plus 2 teaspoons
granulated sugar substitute*

¼ cup (½ stick) unsalted butter, melted
 1 large egg, beaten
 2 teaspoons pure lemon extract
 1 ½ teaspoons pure vanilla extract
 1 ¼ teaspoons salt
 2 tablespoons nonfat dry milk
 3 ¼ – 3 ½ cups KING ARTHUR® Unbleached All-Purpose Flour
 1 tablespoon freshly grated lemon zest
 1 large egg plus 1 tablespoon water (for egg wash)

Lemon Glaze

1 cup low-calorie confectioners' sugar substitute**

3 – 4 tablespoons whole milk

1 teaspoon lemon extract or lemon juice

Yellow food color, optional

Directions

For strawberry jam: Zest the lemon before juicing and set aside. In medium saucepan, combine frozen strawberries, sugar substitute and lemon juice. Cook, stirring frequently over medium heat, mashing berries with a potato masher. Cook until mixture thickens, 25 – 30 minutes. Mixture should be very thick and spreadable. Remove from heat and cool.

For dough: In the bowl of stand mixer fitted with paddle, combine warm milk, yeast and sugar substitute; let set 5 minutes.

Stir in butter, egg, lemon extract, vanilla, salt and dry milk. Gradually add enough flour until soft dough forms, stopping occasionally to scrape sides of bowl.

Exchange paddle for dough hook. Knead 8 – 10 minutes, or until smooth and elastic. Place dough in greased bowl. Cover; let rise until doubled, about 1 hour.

Deflate dough; divide into 12 equal pieces and cover. Roll each piece into a 12"x 4" rectangle. Sprinkle on ¼ teaspoon lemon zest and spread on 1 tablespoon strawberry jam almost to edges.

Starting at the long side, roll tightly into a log. Pinch seam to seal. Transfer onto parchment-lined baking sheet. Cover and freeze 10 minutes.

Remove from freezer. With seam-side down, cut log in half lengthwise, leaving ¼" uncut at one end. With cut-sides up, twist together a few times. Starting with one end, which becomes the center, wrap dough around in a swirling motion to form a snail shape. Tuck end under roll and pinch to seal. Place on two 18" x 13" parchment-lined baking sheets. Cover; let rise until doubled, or finger indentation remains when dough is touched, about 45 – 50 minutes.

Near the end of the rise, preheat oven to 350°F. Whisk egg with water and brush on rolls. Bake 18 – 20 minutes, or until lightly golden and internal temperature is 190°F – 195°F. Let cool on baking sheet 1 minute, then transfer to wire rack.

For lemon glaze: Whisk ingredients until smooth and desired consistency. Drizzle glaze over cooled rolls.

YIELDS

12 rolls.

NOTES

* Truvia Sweet Complete® Granulated All-Purpose Sweetener


**** Truvia Sweet Complete® Confectioners
Sweetener**

Pure cane granulated sugar and confectioners' sugar may be substituted in equal amounts.

NUTRITION INFORMATION

Per Serving (1 Slice, 129g):

270 calories, 50 calories from fat, 6g total fat, 3g saturated fat, 0g trans fat, 45mg cholesterol, 270mg sodium, 47g carbohydrate, 2g dietary fiber, 3g sugars, 6g protein, 80mcg folate, 19mg vitamin C, 2mg iron.



All-American

SAT, JULY 3RD 2021

FAMILY FEST

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All Day
Concessions in the Park
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All Day
Softball Tournament
Contact Jake Graber at (620) 532-9197
or jake@factory233.com

8:30 am
Pooch Party in the Park
Sponsored by Kingman County Humane Society

9:00 am
Family Parade down Main Street
(line up at 8:45 am at "B" Street Parking Barn)

9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Kingman Carnival Kettle Corn
& Food Trucks will open:
JD's Bar-B-Q
Crazy G's Shaved Ice
Taqueria Galindo
Ken n Barbiez' Rollin Diner

9:30 am
Cornhole Tournament
Sponsored by Kingman Recreation Commission

9:30 am
Football Fling
Sponsored by Citizens Bank of Kansas

9:30 am - 11:30 am
Hot Shot Competition
Sponsored by KMS/KHS Girls Basketball

10:00 am
Splash Dash
Sponsored by 360 Total Fitness

10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Kids Fun Zone
Sponsored by Folks Homecenter & Park Board

10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Dunk Tank
Sponsored by Newberry Family Motors

10:30 am - 1:30 pm
Karaoke by Cameo Entertainment at Gazebo
Sponsored by Messenger Petroleum & Jim Graber

11:00 am
Duck Race located at Mill Race
Sponsored by Kingman Rotary Club

11:00 am - 1:00 pm
Kingman Fire Dept Water Spray & EMS Exploration

12:00 pm
Free Watermelon Feed
Sponsored by Kanza Bank

1:00 - 4:00 pm
Free Swim at Kingman Pool
Sponsored by KES PTO

4:00 pm
Grand Opening --- Kingman Heritage Hall of Honor
Painting & success stories of 21 Kingman celebrities & world-changing leaders.
Located at Kingman Expo Center.
Keynote Speaker: Jennifer Baysinger, KS Chamber of Commerce

6:00 pm Doors Open // 7:00 pm Show Starts
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The practice of social distancing is recommended. Enforcement is not possible, so celebrate at your comfort level.

Pratt County Commission Meeting
June 21, 2021

No minutes were posted at the time the paper went to press.

Day 3, Kansas Wheat Harvest Report

This is day 3 of the Kansas Wheat Harvest Reports, brought to you by the Kansas Wheat Commission, Kansas Association of Wheat Growers and the Kansas Grain and Feed Association.
Many Kansas farm

families spent Father’s Day working together in the field as test cutting expanded across Kansas over the weekend. With conditions remaining hot and dry, farmers are anxious to get harvest going into full swing.

Paul Penner started cutting on Friday near Hillsboro in Marion County. He is seeing a little winterkill in areas, but the bigger issue was excess moisture in May that led to increased disease pressure. Compounding the issue, the extreme hot weather caused white caps to appear, which has made some fields difficult to thresh.

Despite these disappointments, Penner said

harvest will be comparable to average with yields between 45 and 70 bushels per acre, protein between 10 and 11 percent and test weights as high as 63 pounds per bushel. A nearby field of Bob Dole - a variety developed by Kansas State University and released by AgriPro/Syngenta - topped the range at 70 bushels per acre with very good test weight.

Dara Prescott, who farms near Ellinwood, started cutting last Wednesday - one of the earlier folks to start harvest in Barton County and haul into the nearby Bartlett Grain Company shuttle-loading facility. South of Cheyenne

Bottoms, wheat yields are coming in from 40 to 55 bushels per acre. Unfortunately, however, part of her area was hit by a hailstorm in mid-May that caused significant damage. In affected fields, Prescott reported yields are averaging in the 30 bushel-per-acre range.

Overall, Prescott expects an average wheat harvest this year - not great, but not terrible either. This year’s wheat was planted into drought conditions, caught a few small rains, but then have remained dry into harvest.

“It’s dry as a popcorn — dry, dry, dry,” she said.

The dry conditions are also hindering prog-

ress for Randy Small, who farms near Neodesha in Wilson County. Normally, someone on his farm crew would be chasing the combine through the field with a planter to put in soybeans, but this year has been too dry to double crop.

While harvest has been relatively uneventful, this year’s wheat crop was hampered by a mix of freeze damage, drought and disease pressure. A few individual fields in the area have tested for vomitoxin, but not at levels high enough for elevators to turn loads away. Disease pressure on the flag leaf significantly reduced yields with the top third of the heads not fill-

ing well.

Still, Small reported yields are averaging 50 to 60 bushels per acre and test weights steady at 60 to 61 pounds per bushel. Even with some green stems, moisture content is around 12 to 13 percent.

On one side of the driveway to the farm’s headquarters office, a field of Zenda — a Kansas Wheat Alliance variety — has been a particular standout. The field was planted late into soybean stubble and had no fungicide or additional fertilizer applications, but looked phenomenal after receiving moisture in late winter and yielded around 60 bushels per acre.

Day 4, Kansas Wheat Harvest Report

This is day 4 of the Kansas Wheat Harvest Reports, brought to you by the Kansas Wheat Commission, Kansas Association of Wheat Growers and the Kansas Grain and Feed Association.

Scattered rains fell across the state Sunday night ahead of a cool front. The combination of

light rain and lower temperatures halted harvest progress across central and southern Kansas, but farmers and elevators expect combines to be rolling again Tuesday.

In the weekly Crop Progress and Condition report, USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service noted 13 percent of the Kansas wheat crop has been harvested, behind last year’s 23 percent and the five-year average. Sixty percent of the wheat crop was mature as of

June 20, near last year at this time. Statewide, the agency rated the wheat crop’s condition at 63 percent good to excellent, 25 percent fair and 14 percent poor to very poor.

Martin Kerschen, who farms near Garden Plain in Sedgwick County, received a half-inch of rain overnight but expected to be back in the combine by Monday evening. He started cutting a week ago and estimates the area is roughly two-thirds of the way through wheat harvest.

His yields are good — ranging from 60 to 76 bushels per acre, but not exceptional like last year. Test weights are also good at 63 to 65 pounds per bushel, particularly where fungicide was applied. Protein levels are below average.

“This harvest is good for us,” he said. “If we could get this yield and profitability consistently, we’d be happy. But we’ll always strive for a little more.”

Kerschen did report having disease pressure

from wheat streak mosaic virus, which is uncommon in his part of south-central Kansas. He looks forward to seeing which K-State wheat varieties come down the breeding pipeline for his area with resistance to the virus.

Farmers in Ness County were also stalled for the moment, despite only receiving sprinkles Sunday night, according to Michael Kempke, CEO/general manager of The Cooperative Grain and Supply Company in Bazine. Farmers were only delivering wheat cut the night before as of mid-day Monday, but he expected harvest to be back up to speed by Tuesday.

Overall, Kempke reported wheat harvest in the area is roughly 11 percent complete with 109,000 bushels delivered since the elevator took in the first load on June 17. Yields range from 40 to 50 bushels per acre on poor wheat to as high as 70 bushels per acre, but he anticipates seeing even higher yields as farmers get into their best fields.

“We haven’t even gotten in the good stuff yet,” Kempke said. “I would expect to see some 80-,90-,100-bushel wheat around here, especially

where they treated for stripe rust early.”

Stripe rust was a concern for the area, so many farmers put a preventative down while topdressing in late winter that held through May. If not treated early, most farmers did put on a May application. As a result, some fields have been impacted, but many have remained in good condition.

As of June 20, Kempke said the elevator average for test weight was 62.1 pounds per bushel and moisture was averaging 10.1 percent. Protein is lower than last year’s 12.2 percent average. He keeps a close eye on protein as every load coming into the elevator is tested for protein, and farmers are paid premiums for superior protein content. Overall, Kempke is budgeting for one of the biggest crops in recent years, maybe even better than the 2019 harvest.

“From a farmer’s perspective, I think they’re pretty excited given the high yields and good prices — which is great for the farm economy and the community, having those extra dollars around this summer,” he said. “They’re about as happy as I’ve seen them in a while.”

Public Notice

FIRST PUBLISHED IN THE CUNNINGHAM-COURIER, Thursday, June 17, 2021. (3t)
IN THE THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: CHARLES W. THIMESCH, Deceased.
CASE NO. 2021 PR 19
(Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:
You are hereby notified that on June 8, 2021, a Petition for Issuance of Letters of Administration was filed in this Court by Charles M. Thimesch, an heir.
You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before July 9, 2021, at 9:00 o'clock

a.m. in the District Court, 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.

All creditors of the decedent are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within the latter of four months from the date of first publication of notice under K.S.A. 59-2236 and amendments thereto, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

Charles M. Thimesch, Petitioner
Matthew W. Ricke
Ricke Law Office
349 N. Main, PO Box 113
Kingman, KS 67068
Attorney for Petitioner

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IN THE THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
Case No. 2019-PR-000043
CARL L. LORD, DECEASED.

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 Daniel R. Lord, duly appointed, qualified and acting Executor of the Estate of Carl L. Lord, deceased, requesting that Petitioner's acts be approved; account be settled and allowed; the heirs be determined; the Estate

be assigned to the persons entitled to it pursuant to the Will; fees and expenses be allowed; costs be determined and ordered paid; the administration of the Estate be closed; the Executor be discharged and Petitioner be released from further liability.

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before July 8, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. in the District Court, Kingman, Kingman County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Daniel R. Lord, Executor
Petitioner
Mandi J. Stephenson
Stephenson Law Office LLC
227 N Main, PO Box 204
Kingman, KS 67068
Attorney for Petitioner

Disturbance
Fire-Vehicle
Harrassment
Lockout
Suspicious Vehicle
Welfare Check

Thursday, June 24, 2021

Traffic Stop
Fire: vehicle
Irrigation watering road
Suspicious person
Suspicious person
Suspicious person
Suspicious person
Suspicious person

Friday, June 25, 2021

Traffic Stops
Traffic complaint
Alarm
Animal
Electrical Hazard
Electrical Hazard
Fraud
Suspicious person
Trash Dump
Trees down/wire down/water
Unlock
Vehicle disabled
Welfare check
Welfare check
Welfare check

Saturday, June 26, 2021

Traffic complaint
Traffic complaint
Alarm
Alarm
Criminal arrest
Criminal arrest
Disturbance
Suspicious person
Suspicious person
Welfare Check

300 block W. D Ave Kingman
NW 30 St & NW 120 Ave area Kingman
200 block N Main St. Kingman
14000 block SW 70 St, Cunningham
4900 block NE 150 Ave Cheney
1400 block SE 30 Ave Kingman

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NE 50 St & NE 110 Ave area Cheney
SE 50 St & SE 30 Ave area Kingman
12000 block SE 20 St. Murdock
14000 E Hwy 54 are Cheney
N Main St & E. A Ave. Kingman
600 block N Coronado St. Kingman
300 block E First St. Cunningham

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NW 30 Ave & W Hwy 54 area Kingman
14000 block SE 60 St. Norwich
NW 10 Ave. & @ Hwy 54 Kingman
NW 50 St & NW 100 Ave. area Kingman
2000 block NE 170 Ave. Cheney
500 block E. Leiter Ave. Cunningham
800 block N Marquette, Kingman
E Bluff St. & SE 60 Ave area Kingman
9000 block block SE 100 Ave. Kingman
3000 block S Hwy 14 Kingman
4000 block E Hwy 54 Kingman
200 block E. C Ave Kingman
13000 block SE 140 Ave Norwich
32 NE 20 Ave area, Kingman

SW 30 Ave & W Hwy 42 Area Kingman
SW 120 St & SW 30 Ave area Spivey
200 block S Main St. Nashville
13000 block SE 60 St. Norwich
N Cedar St. & W. D Ave area, Kingman
SE 20 St & SE 30 Ave area, Kingman
1400 block SE 30 Ave Kingman
1400 block SE 30 Ave. Kingman
100 block E. B Ave Kingman
200 block N Cedar St. Kingman

Kingman County Sheriff's Report

Sunday, June 20, 2021

Traffic Stop 4
Traffic check tag SE 20 St. & SE 160 Ave area, Cheney
Traffic complaint 14000 block E Hwy 54 Cheney
Traffic complaint 17000 block W Hwy 54, Cunningham
Traffic complaint W Hwy 42 & SW 30 Ave area Spivey
911 Call Acc/Hang up 14000 block SE 120 St. Norwich
911 Call Acc/Hang up 500 block S Main, Norwich
Damage vandalism N Berry Ave & NE 20 St. area Kingman
Fraud/Deception 30 SE 160 Ave area, Cheney
Non-injury accident 7000 block W Hwy 54 Kingman
Non-injury accident 4700 block NE 10 St. Kingman
Vehicle - disabled 5000 block E Hwy 54, Kingman
Welfare check 200 bloc S Robbins Rd, Norwich

Monday, June 21 2021

Traffic stops 4
Traffic chase 8000 block E Hwy 54 Murdock
Traffic check tag 4000 block NE 150 Ave., Cheney
Traffic check tag 17000 block S Hwy 14, Harper
Traffic debris in road 400 block N Cedar Kingman
Alarm 400 block N Main St. Kingman
Welfare check NE 10 St & Ne 130 Ave area, Cheney

Tuesday, June 22, 2021

Traffic stop 13000 blook W Hwy 54 Cunningham
Traffic complaint S Hwy 14 & SE 30 St area Kingman
Fire: vehicle NE 50 St. & NE 110 Ave. area, Pretty Prairie
Non-injury accident 9000 block E Hwy 54 Mudcock
Suspicious person 400 block E. D Ave. Kingman
Suspicious person 300 block E D Ave. Kingman
Theft 300 block S Robbins Road Norwich
Theft 16000 block W HWY 42 Nashville
Weapons/Firearms 12000 block SE 20 St. Murdock
Welfare Check 4000 block NE 140 Ave Cheney

Wednesday, June 23, 2021

Traffic Stop 7
Traffic arrest NW 50 St & NW 170 Ave area, Cunningham
Traffic complaint 12000 block NE 50 St Cheney
911 call/Acc/hang up 800 block N Robbins Road Norwich
Alarm 16000 block SW 10 St. Cunningham

Cunningham Liquor

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The Junior class, High School Cheerleaders, and Junior High Cheerleaders are running it this year. It will be in the same place as last year, the white garage east of the gym. The stand will be open on June 30th- July 2nd from 3-10pm and from noon- 10pm on July 3rd and 4th.



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Celebrations of Life

Melody Davenport

Melody Kim (White) Davenport was born August 26, 1955, in Coldwater, KS to Joe Pat and Frances Arlene (Ewy) White. She passed away June 19, 2021, at Hospice House in Hutchinson, KS. Melody graduated from Coldwater High School with the Class of 1973. She dearly loved CHS and her classmates and was selected as the 1973 Basketball Homecoming Queen. She attended college at Northwestern Oklahoma State in Alva, OK and Sterling College. During her lifetime she worked for the family business, White's Foodliner, and later obtained her LPN Certification and worked at various nursing homes and for the Red Cross.

On August 23, 1975, Melody was united in marriage to Tom Davenport in Coldwater, KS. Their son Joe Douglas was born on February 13, 1976, in Kingman, KS. Melody and Tom later divorced. Melody and her family lived in Coldwater, Kingman, Moundridge, Park City and Hutchinson through the years and Melody made life long friends everywhere she lived.



Melody is survived by her father, Joe Pat White, three brothers, Pat (Tonya) White of Kingman, Michael White of Afton, OK and Jay White of Valencia, Spain. Melody is also survived by four nephews: Jordan, Brennan, Calen and Connor White, and two nieces: Karly and Caitlyn White and a host of cousins and friends.

Melody was preceded in death by her son, Joe Douglas Davenport, her mother Frances, a baby brother, Jack Henry, her grandparents Jack & Mildred White and Henry & Anna Ewy and her beloved cat, Harry.

Her last years were spent as a resident of Legends (formerly Brookdale) Care Home in Hutchinson where she basically ran the place. She loved the residents and staff and they loved as well.

A Celebration of Life will be held 2:00 p.m., Saturday, June 26, 2PM at the Livingston Funeral Home at 1830 N Main in Kingman.

Suggested memorials include: Hutchinson Animal Shelter, Chief Theater in Coldwater or donor's choice in care of the funeral home.

Matthew Futrell

Matthew Bryan Futrell, 36, passed away Saturday, June 19, 2021 at his home. He was born May 16, 1985 in Pratt to John Lee and Patricia "Pat" Clara (Pinger) Futrell.

Matthew graduated from Pratt High School in 2003. He worked as an overnight stocker with Wal-Mart. He enjoyed video gaming and fishing.

He is survived by his parents, John and Pat Futrell of Pratt; brother, James "Jay" Anthony (Lindsey) Futrell of Lawrence; and nephews, Thomas Allen Futrell and Johnny Austin Futrell.

Matthew is preceded in death by his grandparents, Cyril and Celie Mae Pinger and Jimmie and Freda Futrell.

Cremation has taken place. There will be no services.

Memorials may be made to Epilepsy Foundation in care of Larrison Mortuary, 300 Country Club Road, Pratt.



Marcelene Henning

Marcelene H. Henning, 89, died June 28, 2021 at the Hutchinson Hospital.

She was born Nov. 11, 1931 the daughter of Acey M. and Viola Rodgers Frey. A longtime Kingman resident, she was a retired hairdresser.

On Nov. 11, 2005, she married Charlie Henning; he died Nov. 23, 2015. Survivors include sons Tommy Dudley and Ty Eason; daughter Pamela Wilson; stepchildren Cody Henning, Holly Russell and Stacey Dock; brother Carlos Frey; 13 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren. She was also preceded in death by daughter Dorinda Dudley; and granddaughter Kimberly Hetzler.

A memorial service will take place at 1:30 p.m., on Saturday, Oct. 23, 2021 at the Livingston Funeral Home, Kingman.

Volleyball Tournament Planned



Judgement House returns this fall. The Judgement House program will be presented again this fall. We took a couple years off due to date changes and COVID, but we are back!

The event will be held on November 6th and 7th, with times and more info to come.

So...why tell you this now? Because we need to raise funds for the program.

We will be having the Judgement House Sand Volleyball tournament on Saturday, July 17th, at the Cunningham Park. If you are interested in putting a team in the tourney, you can contact Katrina Beat.

We will do the tournament much like in years past. There will be door prizes, food, and a lot of fun.

You can sponsor by donating \$50 or more to Judgement House. This year we are inviting others who may have missed the craft show on the Christmas parade day. If you have a desire to have a booth at the volleyball tournament to sell your crafts, food, or other items, please come and set up around the area. There will NOT be a book free, just an opportunity to get back out with people. If you want to donate to the Judgement House program, you are welcome to do so.

Another item: Judgement House is renting the swimming pool for the day with extended hours. It will be open until 9:00 p.m., so come and enjoy a swim on us.

We want this to be a great family outing and a day that we can all get out and have some fun.

If you have questions about Judgement House or would like to donate you can contact Mike McGovney at 620-770-9507, or you can simply bring your donation the day of the event. We look forward to seeing you all at the tournament and again at the program in November.

Blessing to you all,
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Did you know it's possible to double your money immediately? According to the Kingman County Humane Society, all you have to do is make a donation of any size to their "One Foot At a Time" capital campaign between now and June 30 and your donation will be matched 100%. So far KCHS has raised about two-thirds of the amount needed to complete the project and work on the new facility is well underway at 811 East C Avenue. The goal is to be operational by September 1, 2021, which is just over three months away, so volunteers and staff have been doubling their efforts to publicize the importance of donating now before the matching donation program expires. Donations can be made to KCHS at PO Box 103 in Kingman 67068, on their Facebook page or through their Go Fund Me charity campaign, "One Foot At A Time". You can also drop off donations at the Swaney Vet Clinic at 1015 E Hwy 54 in Kingman.

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