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County Commission Meeting August 30th, 2021

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commission Room of the County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on August 30th, 2021. Those present:

Jerry Henning, Chairman; Jack Thimesch, Commissioner; Fred Foley, Commissioner; Carol Noblit, County Clerk; John Caton, County Counselor

Visitors: Bob Morris, Kingman Leader-Courier; Larry Landwehr; Matthew Hanson, Witt O'Briens LLC; Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director; Kallie Turner, Extension Agent; Andrea Wood, Extension Agent; Mike Floyd, Extension Board; Darla Harbert, Extension Board; Gail Flickner, Extension Board.

Staff: Linda Langley, Internal Auditor; Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Richard Schott, Emergency Manager; Sheriff Hill 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.

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

Chairman Henning opened the Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing at 8:32 a.m.

The Commissioners discussed the purpose of the Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing and asked for public comment.

No Comments were made.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve Resolution 2021-R13, **A RESOLUTION PF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS TO EXCEED THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE IN ITS PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR THE TAX YEAR OF 2022.** Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to adjourn the Revenue Neutral Rate hearing at 8:35 a.m. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Henning reconvened the Board of County Commissioners meeting at 8:35 a.m.

Chairman Henning asked if there

was any public comment.

The County Clerk submitted a video to watch from Heath Weninger for them to view on wind farms and solar farms.

Commissioners asked the Clerk to send Mr. Weninger a thank you email and let him know that it was watched.

Linda Langley, Internal Auditor was in to review the July Department Budget summary with the County Commissioners.

Chairman Henning moved to open the 2022 County Budget Hearing at 9:00 a.m.

Chairman Henning asked if there was any public comment.

Linda Langley discussed about the mill levy and the tax dollars needed for the budget.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the 2022 County Budget. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners discussed the budget requests and when they are due.

Ms. Langley let them know that the end of May is the budget request deadline from departments

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to close the 2022 County Budget Hearing. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Henning reconvened the Board of County Commission meeting at 9:05 a.m.

Ms. Langley continued to review the department budget summaries with the Commissioners.

Commissioners discussed the capital reserve funds.

Stan Goetz, HR was in and requested an executive session for non-elected personnel.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session at 9:40 a.m. with Sheriff Hill; Stan Goetz, HR and John Caton to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion on non-elected personnel matters of nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed, and they will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 9:50 a.m. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners returned to regular session at 9:50 a.m.

Commissioners decided to hire a new 911 Communications Officer for the Law Enforcement Center.

Mr. Goetz let the Commissioners know that David Harbert is willing to

be on the planning/zoning board with the Commissioners approval.

Mr. Goetz gave the commissioners information from the Planning/Zoning meeting on two towers for NextLink on personal properties. The next planning meeting will have four request for towers.

Commissioners discussed the tower requests.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve David Harbert for the planning/zoning board. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Goetz let the Commissioners know that Nextera has discussed with him about Solar power and would like for John Caton to be in the meeting September 8th, 2021 with them.

Andrea Wood, Extension Agent and Kallie Turner, Extension Agent were in with quarterly updates.

Kallie Turner let the Commissioners know that 34 kids signed up for tractor safety and 17 participants passed their test and are ready for the driving course portion.

Ms. Turner said that the Canola Field Tour held in Norwich on May 13th with the KSU Canola Breeder Mike Stamm had 17 in attendance.

Ms. Turner let the Commissioners know that they have a new SE Extension Agronomist Specialist come to visit.

Ms. Turner discussed 4-H and Youth Development; KSRE/Office Duties; Community Vitality; and upcoming events with the Commissioners.

Andrea Wood discussed the Simply Produce program with the Commissioners.

Ms. Wood let the Commissioners know about Storywalk; 4-H Day Camp; Norwich & Kingman Library Program; Rock Springs Camp; Babysitting Clinic; Kingman County & 4-H Fair and upcoming events.

Ms. Wood let the Commissioners know that she has resigned her position and will be the new JAG (Jobs for Americas Graduates) teacher at the High School on September 1st.

Ms. Wood also let the Commissioners know that their Office Assistant Jerika Francis has resigned her position.

Chairman Henning asked what the extension office budget is used for because it uses taxpayer dollars.

Ms. Wood let Mr. Henning know that the programs would not be done without the funding to be able to do them.

Mike Floyd wanted to know who is complaining about the Extension office and if they are complaining come to the board and they will explain what the tax dollars are used for.

Chairman Henning just wants to be educated on what the Extension office provides.

Ms. Wood let the Commissioner know that the Extension Council is made up of 24 members and 9 executive board members.

Ms. Wood explained what the Livestock committee and Fair Board do.

Chairman Henning recessed the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer submitted quotes for the Tag office and the Treasurer's Office from Iconic IT.

The quote for the Tag office is for 4 monitors and 2 cameras in the amount of \$2534.70.

The quote for the Treasurer's office is for 6 monitors and 1 camera in the amount of \$2986.09.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the purchase of monitors for the Tag office in the amount of \$2534.70 from the County Treasurer Auto fund. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the purchase of the Treasurer's office monitors in the amount of \$2986.09 from the Technology Fund. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director was in to let the Commissioners know that she had a manufacturer's luncheon and who attended.

Commissioners discussed housing in Kingman County.

Ms. Schrag discussed having a job fair for the businesses looking to hire help.

Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in to discuss the SE 20 St seal coat project with Hall Brothers, Inc. with an Onyx Mastic Surface Seal for 6.03 miles in the amount of \$114,226.81.

Commissioners let Mr. Arensdorf know to let Hall Brothers, Inc. know if they can get the project done before the end of September then they would be interested.

Mr. Arensdorf updated the Commissioners on OS M.0-7.5 Abutment repair.

Matthew Hanson with Witt O'Briens LLC was online to kickoff their services for the ARPA funds.

Mr. Hanson discussed that the ARPA funding the County has until December 31, 2024 to obligate those funds to projects and until December 31, 2026 to spend and liquidate the monies.

Mr. Schott asked Mr. Hanson if he had any feedback from the special meeting that was held on the 25th with the cities.

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FREE YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID COURSE

WHEN: Thursday, Sept 23 - 8:30am-3:30pm

WHERE: Kingman Expo Center

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Next week
– Complication

County Commission

(con't from front page)

Mr. Hanson felt the responsibilities of the ARPA funds were not being understood.

Chairman Henning let Mr. Hanson know that he doesn't want a lot of administrative spending instead of putting the money towards projects.

Commissioner Thimesch asked if phone systems and computers could use ARPA funding to replace.

Mr. Hanson discussed what and how it could be covered.

Mr. Schott said that the report hasn't been filed yet as the website hasn't made it available yet.

Commissioners discussed options for spending the funding with Ms. Langley and Mr. Schott.

The County Clerk submitted the August 23rd, 2021 Commission Meeting minutes and the August 25th, 2021 Special Meeting minutes for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the August 23rd, 2021 Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the August 25th, 2021 Special Meeting minutes. Commissioner

Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners signed vouchers for the Road & Bridge in the amount of \$24,530.86.

The County Commissioners signed county vouchers in the amount of \$281,069.20.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 1:20 p.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

4H Met During Summer Days



July Meeting

This month was our club tour. We started off going to the Neywicks follwed by going to the Haldersons. After those two stops we headed to the community center. Once all was there, the meeting was started. Roll Call was "What is one of your favorite snacks?" Everyone in the club presented what they were going to bring to the county fair. We also discussed who was helping out at the fair auc-

tion and the concession stand. After the meeting was complete, the club went to the Cunningham pool. While at the pool , 4h members who were entering rocketry shot off their rockets for the club. Next meeting is going to be August 15.



August Meeting

Normally we don't hold an August meeting but due to the weather in February we postponed that meeting until August.

Our club met on Aug

15 at the Cunningham Community Center. Roll call was "What is your birthdate?" Members talked about what they brought to the fair and how they did. After the meeting was adjourned, we had an Educational tour at Alyssa Preisser's garden.

She has a quite impressive garden. She told us all about what she was growing. we each got to try a drop tomato. They were actually pretty yummy! Next meeting is set for September 12.

submitted by Brianna Dittmer



Consider this... Momentary Lives

By Mike Johnson

In the dream, he looked just like Einstein. I knew this couldn't be, but the professor's hair was so wild, his speech so impassioned, and his pacing so intense that his trailing lab coat snapped as he spun to amplify his point. Breathing hard, he paused near the blackboard equations, his final question lingering uneasily over the classroom of one.

What if everyone was only one second old?

It was a wacky theory. I'd listened patiently to it for the last ten minutes,

so I certainly knew I'd been alive for more than a second. And I'd watched him deliver the theory with passion, so I knew he shared equal longevity, too. But his questions still haunted.

What if our memories of the past were nothing but elaborate programming that arrived with our bodies? Similar to the automatic systems that cause us to breathe, pump blood and heal cuts, what if our memories weren't created by us at all?

What if everything we see - every tree, every building, every mountain, every person, is nothing more than a prop provided to maintain the

dream that we've been alive for a lifetime?

"MICHAEL!" The full power of his personality bored into my eyes. "Prove that my theory is not the case. Prove to me you've lived for decades and not just an instant."

I swallowed hard. After all, he did look like Einstein. "What about my parents?," I offered. "They remember raising me."

"Of course they do. And that proves my point. They have programmed memories."

"But I have a birth certificate to prove it!"

"Provided props. Just like your body. It was provided automatically."

"What about my

friends? The people who know me and those I know?"

"Where is any relationship but in your mind? Your friends are merely programmed memories."

"But I have moments from the past! What about the Little League picture? The rabbit's foot? The High School Diploma?"

Now he was smiling. "Provided props."

"But I remember how I got them!"

"Programmed memories."

I was stuck. Everything I could think of to prove I'd existed longer than a second could easily be explained away as a programmed memory or a provided prop.

Then I caught his drift. Was it possible? What

a refreshing thought! If all my memories and props weren't "mine" at all, I was free to do or become anything different right now! Total freedom! Clean slate! I could do anything I'd ever wanted right now!

He watched my sly grin just long enough for the first rush of possibilities to dash across my mind.

"But what does it matter, Michael?," he queried, bringing my attention back to the present. "Whether we've been alive an instant or a lifetime, whether we created our own memories or not? Isn't time relative? Don't we always return to the threshold of where we began -- this present instant?"

"So each second is actually..."

"An individual life-

time! Each second can be lived independent of the last one! Memories and props are merely the scenery that surrounds us when we choose to live in a past moment instead of the fresh one we're actually in."

"So you mean that most of us are actually..."

"Yes! Yes! Unaware that we're lost in dreams of the past! We've forgotten we have the power this instant to change whatever we choose!"

And with that, the professor vanished.

With his final words ringing in my ears, I remained in my dream thinking about that for a long, long time.

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Fundraisers & Charitable Opportunities in our Community

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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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St. Leo
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St. Peter Willowdale
Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Father Roger Lumbré
620-243-5451
620-246-5370



Lutheran Churches

St. John, Nashville
620-246-5220
Sunday School & Bible Class
9:45 a.m.
Worship Service
8:30 a.m.

Trinity, Medicine Lodge
620-656-7431
Sunday School & Bible Class
9:15 a.m.
Worship Service
10:30 a.m.

Our worship service is found on the YouTube channel at:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCrenCH12I9nmpcojCFyYLA>

Pastor Dennis Fangmeyer
Cell: 620-886-0911



Church of Christ

Penalosa
Sunday 11:00 a.m.



First Christian Church

Cunningham
Facebook:
<https://www.facebook.com/CunninghamChristianChurch>
Pastor Mike McGovney
620-298-3201



United Methodist Church

Penalosa
Worship 9:15 a.m.
Cunningham
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

50 For 50

Dani McHenry - Shawnee Heights HS

Celebrating 50 Years of TitleIX

Obviously, there was a lot of hard work and all of that before me to get to that point by the women who started Title IX and got things up and running, and because of all their hard work I never felt like I was at a disadvantage by being a female or that I couldn't go do something if it was really something I wanted to go do.

50 For 50:
Dani McHenry
– Shawnee Heights HS

By Rick Peterson

Former Shawnee Heights multi-sport star and Washburn University Hall of Famer Dani (McHenry) Schmidt was never shy about trying any sport and will be forever grateful she had that opportunity.

Title IX, which is marking its 50th anniversary during the 2021-22 school year, opened doors for female athletes across the United States and Schmidt took full advantage, participating in soccer, softball, volleyball and basketball growing up.

By the time Schmidt entered Shawnee Heights High School in the late 1990s, Title IX had been in effect for some 26

years and she said she had plenty of options to further her skills.

“I would honestly say that where I fell into it, I never felt like we were second to boys sports or that there wasn’t an opportunity,” Schmidt said. “If I wanted to do something, I felt like I was afforded the opportunity.

“Obviously, there was a lot of hard work and all of that before me to get to that point by the women who started Title IX and got things up and running, and because of all their hard work I never felt like I was at a disadvantage by being a female or that I couldn’t go do something if it was really something I wanted to go do.”

Schmidt’s father, Ron McHenry, is the long-time women’s basket-

ball coach at Washburn University, coaching the Ichabods to the 2005 NCAA Division II national championship, and Dani said her father was very good about encouraging her and her siblings’ athletic endeavors without pressuring them.

Dani’s younger sister, Sami, is the head volleyball coach at Shawnee Heights, while her younger brother, Ronnie, is Washburn’s head men’s golf coach.

“My dad obviously wanted to provide us opportunities, but I never

had to have a conversation with him where I was like, ‘You’re making me do something that I don’t want to do,’ ” Schmidt said. “And I think he would have been OK with that if it ever got to that point.

“He was very realistic, and he had coached kids for a long time so he kind of knew what you had potential in and would kind of nudge you in that direction, but he was never over the top in terms of me not wanting to do something and being forced to do it. I never specialized and it was never like, ‘You’re going to have to pick one,’ or any of that. I was able to do it all.”

Schmidt eventually narrowed her focus to volleyball and basketball, leading Shawnee Heights to back-to-back Class 5A state volleyball championships in 1999 and 2000 while also starring for the T-Birds’ basketball team.

After a stint with University of Kansas volleyball team, Schmidt transferred to Washburn, where she continued to be a multisport athlete.

A three-time All-MIAA pick, Schmidt became the first AVCA All-American in Washburn history when she earned honorable mention in 2003. She was a third-

team pick in 2004 and finished her career with 1,491 kills while leading WU to its first NCAA Tournament appearance in 2002.

McHenry also played basketball under her father for four years, playing on WU’s national championship team and helping Washburn win four MIAA regular season titles.

At a time when many athletes are encouraged to specialize at a young age, McHenry is a firm believer in the benefits of playing multiple sports, at least through high school.

“I think it 100 percent helped me,” she said. “I don’t ever see a negative, honestly, with kids trying multiple sports. Usually, what specialization turns into is that’s what you’re best at, but I have young kids now and that sport may not be what your body grows in to and it may not be what you eventually like in five years.

“I have a hard time with making kids pick that (one sport) at a young age and that doesn’t even get into the injuries and overworking the body. Getting to play more than one sport you usually have a different group of kids, and you use different body skills and

movements. I was very fortunate that I was able to do that.”

Schmidt and her husband, Jesse, who was also a standout athlete at Shawnee Heights and Washburn, are the parents of three sons and Dani said they do their best to make sure the children get the same opportunities they had to experience everything sports has to offer.

“They play soccer and they play baseball, basketball and flag football,” Schmidt said. “We’re kind of letting them try it all and, honestly, if you ask them, they’ll change their favorite sport with whatever season it is, and I’m fine with that.”

We are grateful to partner with WIN for KC, an organization with the mission to empower the lives of girls and women by advocating and promoting the lifetime value of sports through opportunities for participation and leadership development. WIN for KC and the KSHSAA believe involvement in activities and sports lay the ground work for supporting well-rounded citizens in our communities and beyond.

For more on WIN for KC visit: <https://www.sportkc.org/win-for-kc>

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KANSAS WHEAT

Wheat Scoop:
Explore Agriland and Celebrate Wheat at the Kansas State Fair

It’s nearly time for the smell of cinnamon rolls baking and the sound of laughter as families explore Agriland to permeate through the Pride of Kansas building at the Kansas State Fair. Celebrate Kansas agriculture by riding in a virtual combine, sifting different types of grain between your fingers or milking Maybelle the mechanical cow — the newest addition to the exhibit. And don’t forget to request another staple for this time of year — Kansas Wheat’s annual recipe booklet!

Back in person in 2021, Agriland maintains its proud tradition as a cooperative educational exhibit that provides an interactive experience for children to learn more about agriculture. For more than 30 years, Kansas agricultural organizations have come together to share interactive, hands-on activities with state fair attendees. Check out the exhibit from September 10 to 19.

Teachers who visit Agriland can sign up for free lesson plans provided by the Kansas Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom. These lesson plans connect classrooms to Kansas agriculture by exploring various facets of agriculture and learning how important and full of opportunities agriculture is.

“Agriland provides farm-to-fork education for fairgoers,” said Marsha Boswell, Kansas Wheat vice president of communications. “Families learn about the roles Kansas farmers and ranchers have in producing our food, energy and fiber through a fun, hands-on experience like none other.”

Agriland is a collaborative effort of the Kansas Beef Council, Kansas Corn Commission, Kansas Cotton, Kansas Dairy Association, Kansas Foundation for Agriculture in the

Classroom, Kansas Grain Sorghum Commission, Kansas Soybean Commission, Kansas Sunflower Commission, Kansas Wheat, Kansas Conservation Partnership, Kansas Agri-Women and the Kansas Department of Agriculture.

Not able to make it to the Kansas State Fair? The Kansas Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom created a virtual version of Agriland in 2020 that provides great resources for teachers and parents to use throughout the year to educate children about the role agriculture plays in our everyday lives. Check out those resources at www.ksagclassroom.org/virtual-agriland.

Fairgoers and non-fairgoers alike can also request a copy of another State Fair staple — Kansas Wheat’s annual recipe booklet. The free annual recipe booklet is a tradition stretching back nearly six decades, celebrating Kansas as the wheat state and the Breadbasket of America.

Some collect the recipe books as part of a collection; others use recipes from the book in their county fairs the following year. This year’s book features the winning recipes from the 2021 National Festival of Breads, including Savory Thai Peanut Sauce Rolls, Strawberry Lemonade Swirls and many more.

Unlike previous years, the booklet will not be available at the Kansas State Fair, but recipes are available and copies can be requested online at kswheat.com/recipebook.

“While we won’t have physical copies of the booklet at the Kansas State Fair, we want to ensure you can obtain this year’s recipes,” Boswell said. “We invite you to request the free 2021 recipe booklet and enjoy these showcased recipes that are sure to become new family favorites.”

See if you can spot all the great ways wheat is celebrated at the Kansas State Fair and find more information about Agriland and other exhibits at <https://www.kansasstatefair.com/>.



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1931
September 18- Class officers have been chosen at the local high school. President, Vice-President, and Secretary-Treasurer of the four classes are Marjorie Vermillion, Wilbur Slattery, and Josephine Shafer of the Senior Class; John Baber, Waldo Shelman, and Sarah Groom of the Junior Class; Eleanor Shelman, Freddy Ruth, and Martha Cooley of the Sophomore Class, and Winton Lash, Lawrence Hansen, and Jena Baber of the Freshman Class.

The City of Cunningham now has a new Police Judge. He is Frank Coffman, who was appointed to the judgeship following the resignation of J. W. Jennings, who has been serving in that capacity for quite a number of years.

Rig-builders have completed the derrick for the oil or gas well to be drilled on C. E. Wetherall land south of town.

About all of the old-timers from hereabouts attended the Society of '62 Picnic at Calista yesterday. The society was formed by pioneer settlers of Kingman County who settled here in 1862.

1936
September 18- Owner E. C. Dafforn now has seven men employed at the Dafforn Motor Company. They are Emory Jones, Howard Trentman, Ross Wakefield, J. T. Hall, J. E. Stockwell, Noel Swihart, John Stockwell, and Frank Mitte.

Don Cameron, Civil Engineer on the erection of the Skelly Oil Company's Gasoline Plant here two years ago, spent the week-end visiting friends here.

1941
September 19- 97 pupils are enrolled in Cunningham Grade School this year, with the first grade having the largest enrollment of any one grade with 20 youngsters starting their education. They are Roy Lee Raney, Harold Adamson, Shirley Neagle, Jerry Miller, Kenneth Lea Jr., Dean Lunsford, Leonard Schnittker, Larry Ball, Melville Mefford, Beverly Weir, Barbara Weir, Lee Knowles, Ann Knowles, Anna Smith, June McDonald, Marilyn Harte, Doris Benson, David Milford, Billy Wells, and Gale Harris.

A new oil well was completed in the Cunningham Oil and Gas Field this week. Drillers Gas Company's No. 2 Gerber was good for 52 barrels of oil daily.

Armyman Ralph Baber and Navyman Wayne Lash spent furloughs here with home folks.

1946
September 20- A. J. Fitzsimmons, 79, who came to eastern Pratt County with his parents in 1878, passed away Tuesday.

Cunningham lost their first baseball game of the season to Isabel last Friday afternoon. Coach Elmer Cross' team includes Dean Dyche, Donald Theis, Kenneth Watkins, Jerome Schnittker, Calvin Glenn, Norman Schmidt, Carlos Schwartz, James Stanley, and Verlin Urban.

Freshmen Initiation was held last Friday. This year's Freshmen Class includes Ramona Zrubek, Bobby Urban, Bonnie Abby, Merle Duff, Gordon Heeke, Billy Huffman, Ivan Cain, Howard Elrod, Jimmy Gagnebin, Jerry Schafer, Mary Smith, and Jack Watkins.

1951
September 21- The Cunningham School Band has 36 members this year, according to Music Supervisor E. R. Smizer.

Former Heavyweight Champion Jack Dempsey headlined a parade of stars appearing with the Hadacol Good Will Caravan in Wichita last Friday. Another star included Rudy Vallee. Admission to the show was one Hadacol box top.

1956
September 20- Hazelton defeated Cunningham by a 4-3 score in an extra-inning high school baseball game at Hazelton last Friday afternoon.

Cunningham took an early 3-0 lead, with Donnie Becker holding Hazelton scoreless until the sixth inning when they scored three times to tie the score at 3-3. The winning run came in for Hazelton in the last of the eighth inning after two were out. Billy Schnittker handled the catching chores for Cunningham. Hazelton's battery was Shoryer and Pryor.

The Better Homes and Gardens Club held their first fall meeting at

the home of Mrs. Rufus Leiter last Thursday afternoon, with Mrs. E. E. Witt as hostess.

New officers of the club are Mrs. Iona Shafer, President; Mrs. Lon Hoagland, Vice-President; Mrs. Evan Thornhill, Secretary, and Mrs. Alva Hellar, Treasurer.

Mrs. Hoagland had charge of the lesson, a report of her recent trip through the southern states and Cuba.

Roll call was answered by Mesdames Roy Wetherall, Harold Watkins, Evan Thornhill, Iona Shafer, George McClellan, Rufus Leiter, Lon Hoagland, Francis Dafforn, Alva Hellar, Keith Copenhaver, E. E. Witt, and O. R. Benningfield of Kingman. A lunch of chicken sandwiches, cranberry salad, nuts, and iced tea was served at the close of the meeting.

The Christian Women's Fellowship met in the church basement last Thursday afternoon.

President Mrs. Bob Stillwell opened the meeting with the song, "Stand Up For Jesus," followed by the Lord's Prayer by the members.

Roll call was answered with "My Most Amusing Experience At School," after which Mrs. Dwight Lewis gave the devotionals on the topic, "Teach Us Thy Paths."

Mrs. Willis Welch had charge of the afternoon's program, using as her topic "How College Students Are Related to the Church." Mrs. Albert Harris was in charge of the social hour.

The hostesses, Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Stillwell, served Ritz crackers with cheese, cookies, mints, and iced tea to 16 members and one visitor, Mrs. Ralph Nichols.

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1961
September 21- Quarterback Bobby Meyers ran the opening kick-off 65 yards for a touchdown and Cunningham went on to an easy 57-6 victory over St. Teresa of Hutchinson, in the opening football

game here last Friday evening.

Cunningham scored again before the end of the first period when Roger Krug scored on a 6-yard end run set up by a 25-yard pass play from Eugene Huston to Meyers. Cunningham counted three times in the second period. A 43-yard pass from Meyers o Robert Leiter; a 46-yard end run by Krug, and a 31-yard run by Huston accounted for the three TD's. In the second half, Cunningham kept the score mounting on a 6-yard run by Huston, and again by Huston on a 25-yard run following a pass interception. St. Teresa scored in this quarter on a 4-yard pass play, Vincent Rohr to Russ Snyder.

Cunningham's final two TD's came in the last quarter on a 16-yard pass from Meyers to Leiter, and Tony Thompson's 1-yard run.

Cunningham will travel to Alden tomorrow night (Friday) to play their first Ninnescah League game. It should be a "head-knocker" as Cunningham and Alden played to a 14-14 tie last year and shared the league's football championship.

A new company, the Kingman Manufacturing Company, Inc., has purchased a 16-acre tract of ground adjacent to the east city limits of Cunningham, and plans to establish a plant on the site.

The tract of land was purchased from Clayton Watkins of Wichita.

The new manufacturing company succeeds the Cusenbary Sales and Manufacturing Company of Cunningham, and will continue to make Cusenbary's Cupid equipment plus other farm and livestock equipment, distributing them under the trade name, Stockmaster Equipment.

Cunningham is very fortunate to attract this new company, as sites were inspected in Pratt, Kingman, and Salina. The company desired a site with both a highway and railroad borderline. This site affords this requirement, along with the company's easy accessibility to gas, water, and sewer service.

1966
September 22- The debate squads from the two high schools in Unified School District No. 332, Cunningham and Nashville-Zenda, attended the annual Invitational Debate Clinic at Wichita State University in Wichita last Saturday.

The purpose of the clinic was to aid debate squads to become better informed about the current high school debate proposition, "Resolved, That the Foreign Aid Program of the United States Be Limited to Non-military Assistance."

Debate Coach James Kelso, who accompanied the group, considered the clinic especially profitable to the students, since the debating and speech program is "new" in both high schools this year.

Students from Nashville-Zenda High School making the trip were Dean Swingle, Bob Robinson, Louise Adelhardt, Ken Hageman, Dick Klausmeyer, and Dennis Oeding.

Students from Cunningham High School included Sue Graves, Donna Lacy, Ned Albers, Susan Rottering, Geronimo Kaster, John McCune, Mary Cundiff, Susie Fisher, Layne Harris, and Tom Schnittker.

In the football rivalry between the two high schools in Unified School District No. 332 at Zenda last Friday night, the Cunningham Wildcats prevailed over the Nashville-Zenda Thunderbirds by a 52-20 score.

It was the season's opener for both teams, and the game was marked with frequent penalties, "blown" plays, and miscues.

Scoring for Cunningham were Duane Schnittker on a 12-yard run; Danny Meyers on runs of four yards and 35 yards, and a 30-yard pass play to Frank McClellan; Jim McCune on a 6-yard kick-off return and runs of 40 yards and 10 yards, and Charles Lackey climaxed the Cunningham scoring at the close of the game with a 40-yard run. Points -after-touch-downs were scored by Schnittker, Meyers, and McCune (two).

Cunningham will play their first home game here tomorrow night (Friday, Sept. 23), when they meet the Sharon Cardinals. Sharon edged Sylvia, 20-19 last Friday night.

The Cunningham 4-H Club met in the high school recreation room, Monday evening, Sept. 5.

President Shirley Park conducted the business meeting during which new officers were elected for the coming year. They are Monte Rose, President; Shirley Park, Vice-President; Kristy

Sheldon, Secretary; Bill McGovney, Treasurer; Linda Kampling, Reporter; George Kampling, Song Leader; Monte Rose and Shirley Park, Council Members, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pelzl, Community Leaders.

Roll call was answered with "My Favorite School Subject," after which George Hageman gave a project talk; Mike Oller presented a parliamentary report, and Bill McGovney conducted a music appreciation lesson.

The Joe Rohling and Alva Hellar families served refreshments.

1971
September 16- The Sacred Heart Parish Council is sponsoring an adult education series this school year, featuring state and nationally known speakers each month.

The purpose of this series is to acquaint the adults and parents of the community with the problems their children may face in the future.

This month's speaker will be Vern Miller, Attorney General of Kansas.

Mr. Miller will speak in the high school gym-auditorium, Wednesday evening, Sept. 22, at 8:00 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

The Cunningham High School Band will go to the State Fair in Hutchinson next Thursday (September 23).

This is a change in the schedule. Cunningham switched fair dates with Nashville-Zenda so the Cunningham band members and their parents could attend the speaking appearance of Kansas Attorney General Vern Miller in Cunningham next Wednesday evening.

Cadette Girl Scout Troop No. 9 held their first meeting of the year at the City Park, Tuesday.

New officers were elected for the coming year. They are Kathy Kampling and Kim Johnston, Patrol Leaders; Rebecca Shelton and Debra Crick, Assistant Patrol Leaders; LuAnn Jones, Treasurer, and Peggy Cain, Scribe. The troop leaders are Mrs. Ruth Willoughby and Mrs. Mae Shelton.

The troop members discussed dues, after which Mrs. Willoughby served refreshments, and the meeting was adjourned.—Peggy Cain, Scribe.



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JH FB Wildcats Fall to Stafford/ Fairfield

The Cunningham JH football team took to the field on Thursday, September 9, 2021 for their first home game of the season against the co-op team made up of players from both Stafford and Fairfield. Mistakes seemed to be the theme for the Wildcats for much of the night as they were unable to sustain a drive on offense and lost 0-16 to a pretty solid team from up north. The defense did a pretty good job throughout much of the night as the visitors were able to find the end-zone just twice. The loss dropped the Wildcats record to 1-1 on the season. The Wildcats look to improve upon their performance this week as they travel to Argonia to take on Attica/Argonia.

by Coach Bart Ricke

- #4 Layne Green
- #7 Blake Swope
- #10 Kendall Rogers
- #12 Andrew Schultz
- #13 Dylan Halderson
- #14 Logan Kinsler

- #15 Skyler Thimesch
- #21 Stephen Kerschen
- #32 Cole Ruckle
- #40 Kollin Fischer



Andrew Schultz at center.



Stephen Kerschen carries the ball.



Skyler Thimesch on defense.



Coach Ricke strategizes in the huddle.

Molly Morgan Photos

JH Girls Show Their Stuff Against Fairfield



Team huddle with
Coach Kristen Young



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Rylee Miller volleys.



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Cross Country Runs at Skyline



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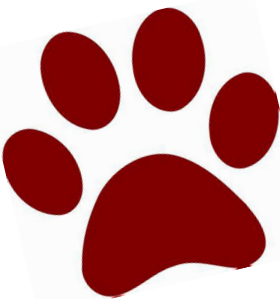


The Cunningham XC team traveled to Skyline on Sept. 11th for their 2nd meet. Ada Adams placed 2nd in the JV 5K race and Will Wegerer, who missed the first meet due to illness, placed 16th in the Varsity boys 5K race. Both runners did a fantastic job on the hilly course on a very hot day and each of them earned a medal for their performance. Keep up the great work runners! We travel to the Stafford Golf Course next Thursday to compete in the St. John’s XC meet.
Coach Ingrid Ricke



This is young Master Paxton Miller hanging out at the Cunningham Junior High football game. He is the son of Amy and Brent Miller.

photo by Molly Morgan



*“Pan, who and what art thou?” he cried huskily.
“I’m youth, I’m joy,” Peter answered at a venture,
“I’m a little bird that has broken out of the egg.”
— J.M. Barrie, Peter Pan*



Wildcat Ladies Take on Caldwell and Pretty Prairie

Apologies to my readers. At press time I didn't have the stories and writeups to go with the photos for the volleyball or football games. --the editor



*Maranda Lohrke
and Ellie McGuire*



Hannah Ellis



Taylor Schultz

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CHS vs Centre High School

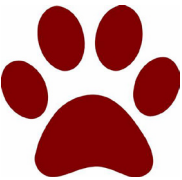


Trent Schnittker



Luke McGuire

*“Football is a great deal like life in that it teaches that work, sacrifice, perseverance, competitive drive, selflessness and respect for authority is the price that each and every one of us must pay to achieve any goal that is worthwhile”
— Fritz Knapp, Vince Lombardi: Toughness*



Lane Halderson



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Pratt County Commission Meetings

September 7, 2021

The Pratt County commissioners met regular session, Tuesday, September 7, 2021 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.

Tyson Eisenhauer, county counselor, please state your name and title when speaking, public comment will be allowed to the extent that it is on topic. Persons participating via Zoom are currently muted. If you have a comment, please let mark know via the chat function. Mark will then inform chairman Shriver, who can take up the comment in a manner that does not disrupt the agenda. In the event an executive session is needed, it will be muted when recessed and turned back on when they return from executive session.

Heather Morgan, COVID federal fund and economic development consultant, reported the report due August 31 was not received due to technical difficulties, deadline was extended for a week. She has sent the help desk

tickets to get assistance. She has confirmation the report was filed on time. Received a call from a small city, she let them know the deadline for their entity is October 31, not August 31. She reported she had not heard back from Varney & Associates. Final rule has not been finalized on what the funds can be spent on. There will need to be a series of policies and procurement in line with the federal guidelines. COVID funds at state level, spark committee is meeting again. Set aside 50 million for front line medical personnel. The rules for these funds, how hospitals can use these funds has not been released. She stated the county would probably need to add funds. PRMC could possibly use the funds for premium pay. She will report back on this funding.

KDOT announced the local South Central Consultation is the first week in October, they are all online, she plans to attend. There is a meeting on redistricting in Ulysses, that she will be attending. Tyson Eisenhauer, county counselor had questions about the town hall meeting Pratt Energy hosted.

She has requested the power point presentation. Tyson has received it and will forward to Heather. She stated they are looking for alternative revenue streams to remain economically viable. Landowners need

to contact Pratt Energy to get information and answers.

Brian Atteberry, EMS director, asked about E Dispatch, questioned if new 911 committee has been formed. Tyson stated it had been adopted for the 911 committee. By laws would have to be done at the meetings. He was asking if 911 could pay for the new program. He would like to add all first responders all at once. Commissioner Adams made a motion to recess into executive session at 2:18 pm for fifteen minutes. Commissioner Jones seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Jones made a motion to return from executive session at 2:32 pm with nothing to report. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Doug Freund, road supervisor, presented wage increases for two employees. Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve a pay raise of \$2.00 per hour for Louis Bale to \$15.50 per hour. Commissioner Adams seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Adams made a motion to approve a pay raise of \$1.50 per hour for Ben Henning to \$15.50 per hour. Commissioner Jones seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

He presented a form from Kirkham Michael for their appreciation dinner at KAC. He reported they are starting to seal

the roads.

Jimmy White, sheriff, introduced Kory Hagen IT employee. He gave an explanation on the state policies for sheriff security, reported they were outdated and needed revamped.

Servers, operating systems, entire networking. He presented a hand out on the updated equipment and purchases. Wires will need to be replaced and not run through the AC ductwork. Tyson asked how long it will take to become compliant. Kory stated it will be fully up and functioning in two months after receiving equipment. The server in the damp part of the basement will be moved into another room in the basement. Chairman Shriver questioned the timeline concerning the state, Sheriff White reported as long they are working on compliance, the state will give them the time needed.

Commissioner Adams nominated Commissioner Jones to be the KAC delegate. Chairman Shriver seconded. Commissioner Jones nominated commissioner Adams as the second delegate. Chairman Shriver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve minutes from August 30, 2021 as presented. Commissioner Adams seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Adams

made a motion to approve payment to Harman Huffman Construction in the amount of \$194,850 for certificate #9. Commissioner Jones seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve payment to Farha Construction Inc., in the amount of \$13,032.59 for certificate no 4. Commissioner Adams seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Adams made a motion to donate \$1000 to the Lemon Park Lights. Commissioner Jones seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Tyson Eisenhauer, county counselor requested a fifteen minute executive session to discuss an attorney/client matter. Commissioner Adams made a motion to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes at 2:55 pm to discuss an attorney/client matter. Commissioner Jones seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Adams made a motion to return from executive session at 3:10 pm with nothing to report. Commissioner Jones seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to give Tyson Eisenhauer, county counselor permission to talk to our attorneys to give them approval to accept the Mallinckrodt Bankruptcy plan. Commissioner Adams seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

ried 3-0.

Commissioners discussed the EMS director interviews. It can be done in executive session for the interviews. It was decided to conduct interviews Monday, September 20, 2021 starting at 3:30 pm. Clerk Voss will contact all applicants to schedule a time.

Commissioners went upstairs to look at the third floor balcony and the wall on the landing between third and fourth floor. It was decided to contact a contractor to look at the wall. Chairman Shriver questioned taking bids to repair. Tyson reported bids have to be taken for a job over \$25,000. Notice would have to be posted and specifications made available. A contractor will need to be contacted to get an estimate.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve payment vouchers for September 7, 2021. Commissioner Adams seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Shriver stated the meeting for the PSB was cancelled due to the rain. They are working on the parking lot.

Commissioner Adams made a motion to adjourn at 3:45 pm. Commissioner Jones seconded. Motion carried 3-0.



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— Sara Niles, Torn From the Inside Out***

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Sunday, August 29, 2021

Traffic stops	1
Traffic check tag	NE 20 St & NE 100 AVe Area, Murdock
Alarm	20 block S Parkway St. Norwich
Animal	100 block W Stanley Ave. Spivey
Animal	SE 90 St SE 150 Ave area, Norwich
Assist other agencies	2000 block E Hwy 54 Kingman
Damage	16000 block W Hwy 42 Nashville
Welfare check	4000 block NE 160 Ave. Cheney
Welfare check	300 block N Vail St. Spivey
Welfare check	500 block E Leiter Ave. Cunningham
Welfare check	200 block E Copeland Ave Kingman
Monday, August 30, 2021	
Traffic Stops	2
Animal	SE 80 St & SE 100 Ave area, Murdock
Assist other agencies	600 block W. D Ave Kingman
Non-injury accident	E Hwy 54 & North Hwy 14 Murdock
Suspicious Person	400 block S Parkway St. Norwich
Suspicious vehicle	E Hwy 42 & SE 130 Ave. area Norwich
Unlock vehicle	1000 blocok W. D Ave Kingman
Vehicle disabled	9000 block E Hwy 54 Murdock
Welfare Check	7000 block E Hwy 54 Kingman
Tuesday, August 31, 2021	
Traffic stops	1
Traffic complaint	10000 block NE 10 Street, Murdock
Traffic complaint	8000 block W Hwy 54 Cunningham
Traffic complaint	400 block N Main Str. Kingman
Traffic check tag	1000 block E Hwy 54 Kingman
Wednesday, September 1, 2021	
Traffic stop	1
Traffic complaint	6000 block SW 70 St. Kingman

Traffic complaint	
911 ACC/hang up	
Animal	
Damage	
Suspicious Person	
Welfare Check	
Thursday, September 2, 2021	
Traffic stop	1
Traffic complaint	13000 block E Hwy 2, Norwich
Traffic complaint	8000 block E Hwy 54 Murdock
Traffic complaint	12000 block SE 20 St. Murdock
Non-injury accident	12000 block S Hwy 14 Rago
Friday, September 3, 2021	
Traffic stop	5
Traffic complaint	12000 block E Hwy 54 Cheney
Traffic complaint	400 block E. D Ave. Kingman
Traffic complaint	6000 block SE 150 Ave. Norwich
Alarm	1100 block NE 100 Ave Murdock
Suspicious vehicle	400 block S Parkway Norwich
Welfare Check	14000 NE 50 St. Cheney
Friday, September 4, 2021	
Traffic stop	17
Traffic check tag	500 block SW 90 Ave Cunningham
Traffic check tag	19000 block SW 90 Ave Zenda
Traffic complaint	9000 block NE 10 St Kingman
Traffic complaint	4000 block NE 40 Ave. Kingman
Traffic complaint	9000 block W Hwy 54 Kingman
Vehicle disabled	400 block N Marquette Kingman
Non-injury accident	E Hwy 42 & SE 120 Ave Norwich
911ACC/hangup	1300 block E Hwy 54 Kingman
911 ACC/hangup	2000 block E Hwy 54 Kingman

E Hwy 42 & SE 170 Ave. area, Norwich
18000 block w Hwy 54 Cunningham
12000 block SE 20 St. Murdock
3000 block NE 20 St. Kingman
NW 50 St. & Ne 120 Ave. area, Kingman
200 block W. E Ave Kingman

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1
13000 block E Hwy 2, Norwich
8000 block E Hwy 54 Murdock
12000 block SE 20 St. Murdock
12000 block S Hwy 14 Rago

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12000 block E Hwy 54 Cheney
400 block E. D Ave. Kingman
6000 block SE 150 Ave. Norwich
1100 block NE 100 Ave Murdock
400 block S Parkway Norwich
14000 NE 50 St. Cheney

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500 block SW 90 Ave Cunningham
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4000 block NE 40 Ave. Kingman
9000 block W Hwy 54 Kingman
400 block N Marquette Kingman
E Hwy 42 & SE 120 Ave Norwich
1300 block E Hwy 54 Kingman
2000 block E Hwy 54 Kingman

\$50 Million in Funding Going to Nurse & Care Workers as Strain on Hospitals Continues to Increase~

TOPEKA – Governor Laura Kelly today announced \$50 million available for hospitals to either provide premium pay or improve retention of nursing resources and support personnel, approved by the SPARK Executive Committee. This emergency funding will provide immediate support for Kansas hospitals to manage the current COVID-19 surge and address critical shortages in nurse staffing across the state.

Qualified facilities may use the funding for either premium pay as defined in ARPA or for funding a program designed by the facility to improve the retention of nursing resources and support personnel. Premium pay may be distributed by the hospitals

to frontline employees in the manner that they believe is most appropriate to ensure retention of critical resources and maintenance of staffed hospital beds.

“Many of our nurses are risking their lives every day to save Kansans from COVID-19 – and the immense strain on our hospitals is causing them to be exhausted and disheartened,” Governor Laura Kelly said. “They’re taking on extra shifts and caring for more patients than they can handle – and it’s our responsibility to give them the support they need.

“Frontline nurses need this funding to continue battling the COVID-19 surge here at home. I sincerely thank all Kansas frontline nurses and health care workers for all they do to protect our communities from the threat of COVID-19. I encourage all Kansans to do their part and get vaccinated immediately - for our health care workers, for our businesses, and for our families.”

The funding can pro-

vide frontline nurses and care workers with premium pay by increasing their hourly wages up to \$13 per hour. Hospitals can apply for these State Fiscal Recovery Funds and receive funding based on their number of nursing resources, and will have discretion over how to distribute premium pay.

Additionally, hospitals will be allowed to use the funding for alternative purposes to retain staff if it meets compliance with ARPA guidance. Funding in retention programs must be spent on pay and associated benefits of qualified employees.

By October 31, 2021 and for each month thereafter, all Qualified Facilities receiving funding shall report the following to the Office of Recovery and the SPARK Committee:

The number of nurses on a full-time equivalence basis staffing ICU beds and non-ICU beds as of the most recent pay period ending prior to September 15, 2021, broken out by contract

nurses and employees.

The number of nurses on a full-time equivalence basis staffing ICU beds and non-ICU beds as of the most recent pay period ending prior to or on October 31, 2021, broken out by contract nurses and employees.

How much of the money received by the Qualified Facility has been earned under the program to date.

The number of weeks the Qualified Facility has had the program in place.

The number of frontline clinical employees and nurses who left the employment of the Qualified Facility during the period from June 1, 2021 to August 31, 2021.

The number of frontline clinical employees and nurses who left the employment of the Qualified Facility during each month from September 1, 2021 to February 28, 2022.

For any terminations of clinical frontline workers and nurses from September 1, 2021 through February 28, 2022, the number of such terminations and the rea-

son given for all voluntary and involuntary terminations.

All current Covid-related policies, such as testing policies, quarantine policies, and vaccine policies, and any changes thereto with the date such changes were announced and implemented.

Julie Glass, a nurse at Newman Regional Hospital in Emporia, posted to the hospital’s Facebook page last month: “It’s come to a point where you not only pray for your family member to not get COVID, but you pray that they don’t have any other illness or medical emergency either because there’s not enough space or staff for them to receive adequate medical care.”


Governor Kelly believes it is imperative to act now and protect the health and safety of our frontline nurses. This funding will ensure that Kansas hospitals are adequately equipped with experienced staff, rural hospitals can keep their doors open, and nurses can appropriately be

compensated for their tireless and courageous work throughout this pandemic.

COVID-19 cases continue to rise across Kansas with a daily average of 1,331 new cases from August 30 to September 7 – levels not seen since January 2021. On September 10, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) reported 4,302 new COVID-19 cases since the last update two days prior. Hospitalizations continue to rise, with 612 hospitalized COVID patients as of September 10. This poses a challenge for hospitals to be able to provide surge support staffing and incentivize nurses to stay at their current pay rates.

More information will be provided to eligible Kansas hospitals in the coming days about how to access and properly allocate this funding to their nurses and frontline care workers.

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Dan Glickman on Kansas Book Tour

On October 13 & 14 Dan Glickman will be traveling to Kansas for events in Wichita and Lawrence, Kansas to discuss his recently released book, *Laughing at Myself: My Education in Congress, on the Farm, and at the Movies* (University of Kansas Press; June 8, 2021).

In-Person Events include:

Wednesday, October 13, 2021

2:00 – 4:00 PM CT

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Wednesday, October 13, 2021

6:30 – 8:30 PM CT

Mid Kansas Jewish Federation (MKJF)

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Thursday, October 14, 2021

11:30 AM - 1:15 PM CT

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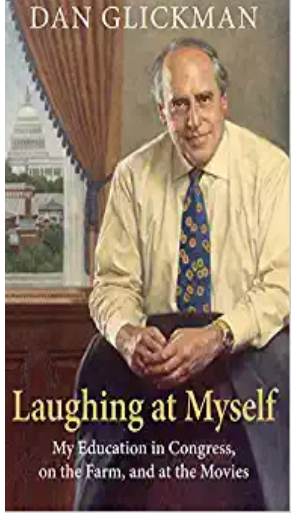
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of agriculture. A religious man that cherishes his strong family ties, Glickman shares the lessons he has learned about success, compromise and staying true to yourself – even when stepping into the shoes of the most powerful man on Earth (a chapter in the book and his recounting of the 1997 Inauguration when he was chosen as the designated survivor).



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Kansas Profile – Now That’s Rural: Lea Ann Seiler, Hodgeman County

By Ron Wilson, director of the Huck Boyd National Institute for Rural Development at Kansas State University

Most large businesses have a CEO – chief executive officer. Some have a COO – chief operating officer – or a CFO – chief financial officer.

Lea Ann Seiler, head and shoulders picture Today we’ll meet a person who describes herself as a CRO. That stands for Chief Remover of Obstacles. Her work has successfully removed obstacles for businesses in her rural county of Kansas.

Lea Ann Seiler is Hodgeman County economic development director. She describes herself as CRO – Chief Remover of Obstacles.

At right: Lea Ann Seiler | Download this photo

Lea Ann grew up near Manhattan, attend-



ed Riley County High School and then K-State where she met and married her husband Gary. Gary became the ag teacher in Hodgeman County and she became economic development director in 2008.

Why does she use the term Chief Remover of Obstacles? “At a meeting, someone complained that they ran into a fresh obstacle for every business idea they had suggested in their community,” she said. “First it was zoning and then it was permitting and then it was financing.”

Lea Ann realized that a key part of her role as economic development director was removing obstacles so that her businesses and ruralpreneurs could move forward.

Some obstacles were simple. One person was

looking for a building to rent for their business and had been asking around for a year. “We just walked upstairs to the appraiser’s office and requested public records,” Lea Ann said.

In another case, someone wanted to be a vendor at farmer’s market but didn’t know how to get a sales tax id. “We opened up my computer, completed the application, and printed their number out right then,” Lea Ann said.

Other things take longer to address, such as developing a business plan, pricing a product correctly, or mastering technology. “I remember when two of our restaurants didn’t accept credit cards and were losing business because of it,” Lea Ann said. “We held meetings with card machine vendors and helped them connect. Now I provide free square card readers to small businesses and farmers market vendors.”

Hodgeman County

has strategically targeted particular development opportunities. These include natural resource tourism, agricultural diversification, area spending capture, retiring boomers, outbound commuters or those working from home, growth-oriented entrepreneurs, and economic diversification through new resident attraction.

“Lots of good things are happening in Hodgeman County,” Lea Ann said. “A new rural communications company has opened in Jetmore. Hanston now has fiber to the premise. The city of Jetmore is passing a Main Street RHID for upper-level housing development. We’re embarking on an infill housing project. The Hanston library just received a wonderful grant for outside amenities and the Jetmore downtown farmers market is a new KDHE farmers market senior voucher location. A new truck stop at (highways) 156 and 283 is under construction and highway 156 will be getting much-needed shoulders.”

Local furniture artisan

Zach Schaffer is building a new shop, and another business will be opening in his former building. “We’re partnering with Blue Cross Blue Shield and NXSTG in a super cool new technology for health and vitality project,” Lea Ann said.

There are two towns in Hodgeman County, Jetmore and Hanston. Lea Ann’s office is at the county seat in Jetmore. “I live in the smaller one which is Hanston, but spend most of my waking hours at the larger one, which is Jetmore,” she said. Jetmore has a population of 867. Hanston is a rural community of 206 people. Now, that’s rural.

Sixteen new kids have moved to Hanston since May. “We are seeing a renewed interest in rural, and additional people moving, or wanting to move, to our community,” Lea Ann said. “There is a renewed sense of urgency in making sure we act on this opportunity,” she said.

For more information, go to www.hodgeman-countyks.com.

Some organizations have a CEO, CFO, or COO. Hodgeman County

is fortunate to have a CRO who serves as a chief remover of obstacles for businesses. We commend Lea Ann Seiler for making a difference with her work, which helps local entrepreneurs move their enterprises forward through the obstacle course of operating a business.

Audio and text files of Kansas Profiles are available at <http://www.kansasprofile.com>. For more information about the Huck Boyd Institute, interested persons can visit <http://www.huckboydinstitute.org>.

The mission of the Huck Boyd National Institute for Rural Development is to enhance rural development by helping rural people help themselves. The Kansas Profile radio series and columns are produced with assistance from the K-State Research and Extension Department of Communications News Media Services unit. A photo of Ron Wilson is available at <http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/news/sty/RonWilson.htm>. Audio and text files of Kansas Profiles are available at <http://www.kansasprofile.com>. For more information about the Huck Boyd Institute, interested persons can visit <http://www.huckboydinstitute.org>.

First Friday Speaker Shares Tips on Tackling Rural Housing Challenges

Save Your Town co-founder taps into seven years of surveys with small communities

MANHATTAN, Kan. – More than half of the residents and community development officials responding to the most recent iteration of a survey of rural challenges have noted that a lack of good housing is one of the top challenges in their communities.

That’s the word from Becky McCray, who was the featured speaker Sept. 3 during K-State Research and Extension’s monthly online series, First Friday e-Calls, which helps to nurture small businesses and inspire entrepreneurship in Kansas.

“I can’t waive a magic wand to give you easy answers that will solve all your housing problems no matter where you are,” McCray told the online gathering of more than four dozen. “What I can

do is help you apply the Idea Friendly Method to make your local project easier.”

McCray, who is the co-founder of Save Your Town, a consulting business that guides people toward making their small towns a better place to live, helped develop the Idea Friendly Method to help people in small towns with a plan to inspire positive change.

Her simple guidelines are applicable to many rural challenges – downtown development, retaining younger residents and more – but specific to housing, she said:

Gather your crowd. “You can’t do much about housing all by yourself, so you want to attract people who also care about this issue.” McCray suggested such ideas as building a mock-up of a house to get people talking, borrow a modular home from a local builder and display it at a community event, or even build a cardboard home to use as a visual reminder.

“You want to spark conversation,” McCray said. “Let people know there’s a housing project

going on by giving them something to see and talk about.”

Build connections. People won’t automatically know how they can help, so ask a couple key questions to get them involved.

“Who do you know that knows more about this?”

“Do you have, or know where to find, a resource that we need more of?”

Take small steps. Everything about rural housing may seem big, but there is room for smaller projects. “Get people to tour places around town,” McCray said. “Or, ask people to spot existing empty lots that you can fill with newer housing. Identify houses that need improvement or rehab so you can connect with those people who can do improvements.”

Since 2015, Save Your Town has conducted the biennial Survey of Rural Challenges asking rural residents about their greatest challenges for improving their communities. The 2021 report is now online and available for free download.

Through her experiences and talking with rural leaders across the country, McCray was able to share many ideas for tackling the challenge of housing in rural areas. Some of the ideas include making maps of all the houses in the community to assign ‘condition scores;’ rally local volunteers or programs to update homes for those unable to do so themselves; create a local investment team to fix rental houses; and add housing in current residential areas.

“Rather than stretching your town’s infrastructure (like water and sewer) out to meet new developments, add housing in existing residential areas to capitalize on the infrastructure you’ve already invested in,” McCray said. “This also keeps your town more compact, putting new housing closer to your downtown core and other essential services.”

And, she adds, it helps residents feel like they are part of the community: “People who live close to the core can walk and bike more to run errands. They can get out and join local community

events more easily...and they can feel more connected to your community. So you can see that it’s important to fill those empty lots as much as you can.”

AARP publishes a helpful resource to help communities address housing issues. McCray said AARP Livable Communities, which include a HomeFit Guide, is available online for free.

McCray’s full talk and other First Friday presentations are available online from K-State Research and Extension.

At a glance

Gather your crowd. Build connections. Take small steps. That’s the advice for addressing rural housing challenges from Becky McCray, co-founder of the consulting business Save Your Town.

Website

First Friday e-Calls (K-State Research and Extension)

Notable quote

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—Becky McCray, co-founder, Save Your Town

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For more information: Survey of Rural Challenges (2021)

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Kansas Receives National Economic Development Recognition

~ Kansas breaks into Area Development’s Top 20 States for Doing Business recognition~

TOPEKA – Governor Laura Kelly today announced Kansas has received Area Development’s Top 20 States for Doing Business recognition for 2021 – the first time in Kansas history the state has made the Top 20 list.

“Our state’s positive economic development momentum is undeniable, and the rest of the

country is taking notice,” Governor Kelly said. “This designation – in addition to our record-breaking economic success, our receipt of Area Development Magazine’s Gold Shovel Award, and being named as the top business climate in the West North Central region of the United States – is further proof our efforts are paying off in a big way.

“My administration will continue rebuilding our economic development tools, fully funding our schools, investing in much-needed infrastructure projects, and expanding high speed internet access to build on the qualities that make

Kansas the best state to live and to do business.”

Area Development conducts an annual survey of site consultants and location experts on specific location considerations that matter most in corporate decision-making. States are then ranked in 13 categories, including the overall cost of doing business, business incentive programs, workforce training programs and more.

After winning the coveted Gold Shovel award earlier this year, the Top 20 States for Doing Business accolade further validates Kansas as the best place to do business. Since 2019, Kansas has seen over \$6 billion

in new business dollars invested in the state, and over 28,000 jobs created.

As the state’s lead economic development agency, the Department of Commerce works to help businesses and communities grow in Kansas. Making it easy and worthwhile for businesses seeking to relocate to Kansas is a key focus for Commerce’s business recruitment teams.

“We have a new way of doing business in Kansas, and we’re getting results,” Lieutenant Governor and Commerce Secretary David Toland said. “Kansas has set the standard for growth and recovery in the wake of COVID-19. We’ve

applied our proven approach to attracting new businesses, and it’s led to one of the most successful capital investment streaks in the history of our state. This is what happens when an administration is serious about building a strong economy.”

To see the most recent business successes in Kansas, check out the Kansas Department of Commerce website.

Area Development is a leading corporate site selection and facility planning resource. The full report on Area Development’s Top 20 States for Doing Business awards can be found at: <https://www.areadevel->

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West Kingman County Unified School District 332 intends to issue a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to interested General Contractors for Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) services for the project(s)

that would result from a successful bond issue campaign in the spring of 2022. The projects would include new construction addition(s) to the current facility and renovations to same.

A formal RFQ will be available on September 16th, 2021. Firms interested in receiving a copy of the RFQ shall submit a written request by the close of business on September 22nd, 2021 to: Sarah Sipe, Landmark Architects, 1020 N. Main St. Hutchinson, Kansas 67501, sarah@landmarkarchitects.net. Responses to the RFQ will be due on or before 5:00 p.m., September 27th, 2021 to be eligible for further consideration.

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Mary Hellman

Mary Denise Hellman, 62, passed away Thursday, September 9, 2021 in Nashville surrounded by her family. She was born on November 21, 1958 in Nashville to Leon B. and Helen (Kanngiesser) Vierthaler. Mary married Steven Hellman on September 5, 1977 in Zenda. They were married for 44 years.



Mary graduated from Nashville-Zenda High School in 1976. She was a postmaster for the United States Postal Service in Zenda and Cunningham until she retired. She spent her retirement as a homemaker and the backbone of the family. She was a member of St. John Catholic Church in Zenda and was treasurer of the Altar Society. She was master chef of the Hellman household. She enjoyed her family especially her grandchildren, cooking, gardening, visiting Colorado and attending all her children and grandchildren's activities.

She is survived by her husband, Steve; sons, Phillip S. (Katie) Hellman of Nashville, Chad E. Hellman of Medicine Lodge and Bryan G. (Darla Plante) Hellman of Wichita; mother, Helen Vierthaler of Zenda; sisters, Elaine Nowak of Lawton, Oklahoma, Judy (Dave Dyer) Jones of Wichita and Karen (Greg) Stucky of Moundridge; sister-in-law, Linda Vierthaler of Wichita; grandchildren, Daniel Hellman, Connor Hellman and Victoria Hellman; and many nieces and nephews.

Mary is preceded in death by her father, Leon Vierthaler; infant daughter, Elizabeth J. Hellman; and Brother, Edward Vierthaler.

Visitation will be Thursday, September 16, 2021 from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at Larrison Mortuary, 300 Country Club Road, Pratt. Family will receive friends at St. Leo Catholic Church in St. Leo from 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. with Rosary and Vigil Service starting at 7:00 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 a.m., Friday, September 17, 2021 at St. Leo Catholic Church, St. Leo with Father Roger Lumbre presiding. Burial will follow at St. John Lutheran Cemetery, Nashville.

Memorials may be made to St. John Catholic Church or Arrowhead West in care of Larrison Mortuary. Online condolences may be made at www.larrisonmortuary.com.

Marjorie Davis

Marjorie Utt Davis age 98, died Sunday, September 12, 2021 at Delmar Garden of Overland Park, KS. She was born at home in Pratt County, KS to Floyd N & Mary Baker Utt.



She retired from 1st National Bank, Larned after 21 years.

Marjorie was a member of the 1st Baptist Church, American Baptist Women, and a past member of Li-Ar-Mu Club, all of Larned.

On June 1st, 1941 she married Willard J. Davis at the Baptist parsonage in Coats, KS. He died September 6, 20008.

Survivors include:
Son, Dr. Randy Davis (Maribeth) of Manhattan, KS.; daughter Iris Flournoy (Ralph) Fairway, KS.

She had five grandchildren: Dr. Mary Catherine Lemberg (Blake) of Seattle, WA.; Andrew Flournoy (Katie) Prairie Village, KS; Madison (dec);, Lauren and Ashton Davis of Manhattan, KS; 2 great-grandsons and one great granddaughter of Seattle: Alden, Mason, and Imogen. She had two great grandchildren in Prairie Village: Lena Marjorie and Weston James.

Marjorie was predeceased by her sister Norma Lake, Belding, Michigan and brother Robert Utt and wife Pauline, Springfield, MO.

Grave Side Service will be held at 10:00 am Saturday, September 18, 2021 at Coats Cemetery, Coats with Pastor Mike McGovney presiding.

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Phil Johnston

Philip (Phil) Lee Johnston, 91, died peacefully at his assisted living home on September 7th, 2021. He was preceded in death by his parents, his sister Darlene Johnston, his brother Jean Johnston, his sister Norma Eggert, his sister Ruth Messmer, his wife Glea Johnston and his granddaughter Janie Hansen.



Phil was born on November 12, 1929 at Zenda, Kansas. He was the son of Arthur and Evelyn (Bort) Johnston. He was a member of the Norwich United Methodist Church. He attended grade and high school at Norwich, Kansas and graduated in 1947. Four years later he earned a Bachelor's Degree in Business from Southwestern College in Winfield, Kansas. In 1951, Phil accepted a job with Conoco Oil and moved to Ponca City, Oklahoma. A loyal employee, he would work thirty-nine years for Conoco until his retirement.

On December 28, 1951, he married Ruby Glea Smith in the Norwich Christian Church and they made their home in Ponca City until Glea passed away in 2012. Phil was baptized March 25, 1956 and Phil and Glea were members of the First Christian Church of Ponca City. They celebrated their 60th anniversary in 2011. Phil and Glea had two sons. Tim and his wife, Carolyn, reside in Bixby, Oklahoma. Tod and his husband, Mark Adams, reside in Port Townsend, Washington.

He is survived by his sons, his granddaughter, Anna Lewis of Checotah, Oklahoma, six great grandchildren-Lydia, Eion, Natalie, Colton, Seth and Faith, his brother-in-law Lyle Smith and his wife, Donna and many nieces and nephews.

Phil served in the National Guard of Kansas, enjoyed bowling, was a regular blood donor and traveled extensively in the United States and internationally. After retirement, Phil volunteered for over twenty years at Ponca City Medical Center. In 2012, Phil moved to an independent living apartment in Fort Lauderdale, Florida near Tod and Mark. In 2016 he moved with them to Port Townsend, Washington and resided there until his passing.

Private funeral services were held on Tuesday, September 14th in the Norwich United Methodist Church, with Pastor Cathy Holley officiating. Burial followed in the Upchurch Cemetery. Casket Bearers were David Hayes, Shane Hilger, Eric Meyers, Rusty Siemens, Scott Strohl and Sid Strohl. Funeral arrangements by Livingston Funeral Home, Kingman, Kansas.

Memorials may be given in his name to the Norwich High School Alumni Scholarship Foundation through Livingston Funeral Home at 1830 N. Main, Kingman, KS 67068 or at the service.

Mark Allison

Mark E. Allison, 49, died Sept. 12, 2021. He was born Dec. 12, 1971, at Houston, Texas the son of Robert E. and Carolyn Albright Allison.

A longtime Kingman resident, he was a former electrical lineman.

Survivors include his mother Carolyn; daughter Brett Gonzales; grandchildren Abbygail Allison, Mikaleya Allison and James Gonzales; close family members Charles R. Crawford and Sarah Anne Caraher. He was preceded in death by his father Robert; brother Tony Allison; and daughter Dixie Marie Allison.

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