

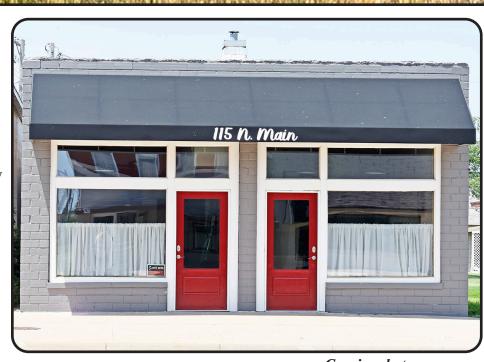
It's HERE! Cozy's Pizza Opens Monday!



Cozys' Pizza owner, Angie
Murphy, says our new restaurant
will open on Monday, June 20th!
It is located at 115 North Main
Street right here in Cunningham.
The operating hours are:
Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday
11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Friday and Saturday
11:00 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Sunday (carry only)

11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Closed on Wednesday.

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Minutes from Kingman County Canvas and Commission for June 6, 2022

Chairman Foley called the Board of County Commissioners meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. on June 6th in the County Commissioners room at the Kingman County Courthouse. Fred Foley, Chairman; Jerry Henning, Commissioner; Jack Thimesch, Commissioner; Carol Noblit, County Clerk; Brandon Ritcha, County Counselor

Visitors: Bob Morris, Kingman Leader-Courier; Larry Landwehr; Missy Tetrick, Kingman Fair Board, Lucy Darnell, Kingman Fair Board; Leslie Schrag, Kingman Economic Development Director; Sharon James & Amanda with Core Community; John Riggins, Kirkham Michael.

Online Visitors: Caller 01; Caller 02; Heather Kinsler and Jason White.

Staff: Linda Langley, Internal Auditor; LaDawn Stegman, Financial Officer; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/ Zoning/Wastewater Director; Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director.

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

Commissioner Henning would like to have an attorney-client executive session.

Commissioner Thimesch would like to give a report on the tower meeting.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the agenda with the added atty-client executive session and report on tower meeting. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Foley asked if there was any public comment.

Larry Landwehr asked about the information for the city program posted by the Economic Development Director and wondered why it wasn't the whole county.

Commissioners let Mr. Landwehr know they would ask Ms. Schrag when she comes in.

Missy Tetrick, Kingman Fair

Pride Yard of

the Week

Board and Lucy Darnell, Kingman Fair Board was in with a budget update and what they have scheduled for the fair

Ms. Tetrick let the Commissioners know that the open class will have to pay an entry fee.

Ms. Tetrick asked the Commission for the same budget amount for 2023 with no increase.

Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director was in to let the Commissioners know that she is working on a child care program and will be holding a movie on June 28th at 7:00 p.m.

Ms. Schrag gave an update on Sadie St. lots and that publishing on Facebook has paid off.

Commissioners talked about grant writers and the writing that has been

Commissioners asked Ms. Schrag about Mr. Landwehr's question on the post about the City program of why it wasn't the whole county.

Ms. Schrag let them know that it was a City of Kingman program and that it is funded by the City.

Sharon James, Core Community was in with an update and submitted a budget request for 2023.

Ms. James discussed success stories with the Commissioners and what has been accomplished so far.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to go into executive session with Stan Goetz, HR and Brandon Ritcha, County Counselor to discuss an employee's evaluation at 9:36 a.m. 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 they will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 9:51a.m.

Commissioners returned to regular session at 9:51 a.m. with no decision made.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Henning moved to go into executive session with Stan Goetz, HR and Brandon Ritcha, County Counselor to discuss an employee's evaluation at 10:51 a.m. pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of non-elected personnel matters, they will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 10:56 a.m.

Commissioners returned to regular session at 9:56 a.m. with no decision made.

Linda Langley, Internal Auditor and LaDawn Stegman, Financial Officer were in to go over the preliminary budget totals and requests received.

Commissioner Henning asked questions about the reserve funds with Ms. Langley.

Commissioners discussed the Extension office budget.

Commissioners asked Ms. Langley if she could wait to continue budget discussion so they could have (con't on page 8)



Pride's first Yard of the Week is at the home of Marla and Mike McGovney at 218 East Fourth Street.

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Meanderings

Folks, this is going to be a short column as I have a very sore left shoulder. I am finding it difficult to type and work on this computer. I'm not sure what I've done, but I suspect it involves hefting an obstinate old cat named Skippy Jones off my work area countless times today.

She is a hefty kitty, my Jonesy is. She is old enough to believe in the adage "Who ever eats

the fastest gets the mostest". When she has eaten eating all the food on her supper plate, she starts horning in on the other cats' plates. Sometimes she doesn't even finish hers before she's onto somekitty's more fuller plate. She is definitely showing her old age

I can't say middle age spread because she is 16 years old this summer. In people years that is late 70's.

She is staring at this screen as I type. She's pretty intent. I don't know if it's the words appearing across the screen that is of interest, or if she's reading what I'm writing. (Which wouldn't surprise me, she's pretty smart.)

Must be the former, she just got up and did one of those turn three times and lay down exercises that animals do.

The worst thing about her laying on my desk is the fur she's leaving everywhere. She is one of my worst shedders. (Lucky Day is the other one.) When she was younger the worst part of her invading my work desk was that she'd get in the way of my screen. After countless reprimands she's learned to keep her head down. Most of the time.

I was so annoyed with her this afternoon, lugging her off my desk numerous times, I moved her favorite basket and placed it on a couple of boxes by my chair. She laid in that for all of 20 minutes. When I got up to get something to drink she moved back onto the desk. She is a stubborn kitty.

I am reading "Sisterhood Everlasting" the final book in the 'Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants." This is not a YA book, it is an adult novel. The four girls from the previous books are turning thirty. None are married. They do have significant others in their lives, and they have moved to different parts of the world.

I do want to say this: If you have written four books about four girls over several years, it is just not a very nice plot device to kill off one of the girls. It is just isn't nice. No, I didn't cry at the loss of a character, but I was rather disappointed. I haven't quite finished the book, but it's hard for to stick with it. I am curious if the other girls find out why their friend

Wow! Does my shoulder/neck hurt! I guess I'll be heading to see Dr. Sasina, my chiropractor, tomorrow before heading to Hutchinson to get our papers. Darn ol' Skippy Jones. She's laying here, obviously free of pain, sleeping. I know she's sleepping because I can hear her little snores. (She's also the worst about snoring.)

And she terrible about being brushed. She gets sassy and moody when I take a brush to her fur. I have several different types of brushes, and I've tried all of them, and she pitches a fit with each one. (Lucky Day also doesn't like to be brushed, of course).

I love my pets, but they can be a trial. Trials? Pains? Well, you get the

Always reading, and currently reading, "Sisterhood Everlasting"

by Ann Brashares, Roberta

"Today is the tomorrow we worried about yesterday."

— Ann Brashares, The

Sisterhood of the Traveling

"Don't talk to me. I'm tired and grumpy and I'll probably make fun of you."

— Ann Brashares, The Sisterhood of the Traveling

Tallgrass and Tumbleweeds by Gaille Pike

Dear Readers,

I like rain. I consider it a good thing whether it's a few drips or a downpour. The yard sure looks pretty after a "rinse," and though a deluge's "power wash" bends flowers and tallgrasses, blooms and blades bounce back bearing only traces of mud caked on their tips.

But I haven't always enjoyed rain. For years while I lived

in Pennsylvania and worked in Center City Philadelphia, walking six blocks to and from the train station, rain or shine, was part of my daily commute. Early on, after both riding trains and working at my desk soaking wet, I despaired of relying on meteorologists' forecasts and instead always, ALWAYS carried an umbrella. I tried to anyway. But it's

easy to lose umbrellas. It doesn't have to be a gust. As you walk down the street minding your own business, even a breeze from the right angle can yank the best made umbrella out of your hand or whip it inside out before you can say "Mary Poppins." And you leave them places no matter how hard you try not to, especially when they are wet and drippy. So I took to keeping extra umbrellas—at home, at work, in my car, and in my purse. I still have a stack of umbrellas but I haven't opened one once since I

because I mostly stay out of it.

I was doing just that, staring out my window enjoying a steady drizzle when a friend called to bemoan his recent unfortunate experiences and he caught my attention when he concluded with, "When it rains, it pours." After our call ended I thought about that phrase. So I turned to Google to find out more about these words used so frequently to describe bad luck.

I quickly learned that while this proverbial expression dates to the early 1700s and is attributed to Alexander Pope and

Alexander Swift who titled a jointly-authored article "It Cannot Rain But Pours," but the phrase we know and use is an advertising slogan that became popular in the early 1900s.

For Morton Salt.

According to a wide range of sources including both the Merriam Webster and Wikipedia, in 1914 Morton Salt launched a campaign to let consumers know they had invented a way to keep salt shaking even in damp and wet conditions. To illustrate that their salt would flow freely, they adopted the slogan "When it rains, it pours"

and the saying (and their brand) went viral though it never escaped its negative connotations. But why would Morton care? To this day their advertising strategy is considered a triumph.

If you'd asked about their logo before I went I went online, I'm not sure what I would have said. But when the Morton Salt Girl popped on screen, I recognized her and her blue umbrella right away.

Until next weekkeep your eyes on the stars and your back to the wind.



Summer in Sight

Kim Baldwin, McPherson County farmer and rancher

It's beginning to feel and look a lot more like summer is quickly nearing! The kids have wrapped up their school year, the alfalfa is about to bloom, the cows have come home to graze, and the wheat is waving in the warm Kansas winds.

After a week of cool

rainy days, it's as if Mother Nature has decided it's time to contemplate beginning a new

The days are warmer. The sun is shining brighter. The crops are growing rapidly. Before long there should be first cuttings of alfalfa in fields. The alfalfa's tiny purple blossoms are beginning to show themselves hinting that it's getting closer to begin making hay.

While driving to town to pick up my kids from their last day of school,

the bright blue sky was dotted with planes swooping down to spray fields. The colorful airplanes flying low and running patterns back and forth over fields is a sight I see almost every year around this time.

moved back to Kansas.

Maybe I like rain now

From my porch, the distant buzz of an airplane suggesting a quick descent followed by a plane emerging above tree rows is something that still catches my attention. I can't help but stop what I'm doing to watch these planes dance

through the sky for a few moments before I refocus on my current task.

The cattle have returned to the pasture just south of our house to begin their summer grazing. It's always a happy day when I can look out my kitchen window in the morning and see fat cattle grazing along the creek.

The sight and sound of cattle switching their tails and taking slow steps while grazing on lush grass allows me to briefly calm my mind and appreciate a simple

moment during this part of the year. In recent afternoons

I have caught myself briefly looking out into the wheat fields to soak in the view. The wheat has definitely grown and with the combination of the height of the plants and the continuous wind, it has begun to collectively wave daily. The synchronized movement of green is mesmerizing like ocean waves and is both soothing to watch while also reminding me that the green wheat before me will soon ripen to its golden harvest-ready beauty.

Soon we will enter our busy season of summer, but for now, I'll appreciate moments within these days knowing that summer is definitely in sight!

"Insight" is a weekly column published by Kansas Farm Bureau, the state's largest farm organization whose mission is to strengthen agriculture and the lives of Kansans through advocacy, education and service.

Job Hunting with Sweet Cheeks

Back when I started in the job market embarrassing information about job seekers had a way of getting around town. Today it has a way of getting around the globe which, as you know, is somewhat bigger. Parents of job seekers can't help but worry—especially if they've seen their child's Instagram page.

If you're a parent who's finding it hard to

discuss your concerns, print this off and insert it into your child's college graduation card. (Hint: your child will be more likely to read it if you don't put any cash in the card.)

Congratulations! We're so proud of you. We wish you an exciting future and a fulfilling career that pays so well that you never have to move back in with us. (Don't take that wrong. You wouldn't like it any more than we would.)

We know how much you hate unsolicited advice. But since you never

We realize your generation is smarter about technology than those most likely to be doing the hiring. But after years of having children set up their iPhones, managers aren't the least bit embarrassed to ask their fifthgrade neighbors to help them locate information about job applicants on the internet. And while stories about underage drinking and letting pigs loose during graduation might make you popular with your friends, your friends probably aren't in a position to hire you

right now. Also please avoid mentioning how much you despised your last employer on your blog unless you're independently wealthy and will never need to work again-which would be

news to us. Online applications weren't around when we were starting out, mainly because computers hadn't been invented yet. But there are some rules that still apply. Never answer the question, "reason for leaving your last job," with "I hated getting up early."

As far as accomplishments go, the fact that you can juggle, drink milk through your nose and text faster than your mother can type may not be relevant. And as deserving as you were of the honor years ago, neither is being voted Cutest Baby in South Dakota in 1999.

There are some issues that those of us who applied for jobs on paper (or stone) did not have to consider. For example, before you start filling out applications consider updating your email address. You may not convey the professional image employers are looking for with a handle like "couchsurfer" or "sweetcheeks@something.com."

As you know, some modern parents have been accused of being over-involved in their children's lives. That certainly does not describe us. Still, no matter how much we beg, do not let us go to a job interview with you.

And we don't mean to nag but please dress appropriately for interviews. Different workplaces have different standards, but in general you should avoid flipflops, sweatpants and underwear that shows. Likewise your midriff should never show during a job interview, in part because a middleaged interviewer will be jealous that yours is still worth showing.

Remember to turn off your cell phone. A job interview is no time to take a call and texting would be very distracting to both you and the interviewer.

Now go get 'em! Your whole wonderful life lies ahead. Don't forget us when you get to the top! And don't forget your college loans either.

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12:00 p.m. Water Exercise Class

Friday, June 17th 3-5 p.m.

Family Friday at CPL

Wednesday, June 22nd 2:30 - 3:15 Zines at CPL

Thursday, June 23rd 11:00 a.m.

at CPL **Turtles Ahoy** with Pam Martin of KS Wetlands **Education Center** ***

12:00 p.m. Water Exercise Class

Friday, June 24th 3-5 p.m. Family Friday at CPL

Ninnescah Valley Bank will be closed Monday, June 20th in observance of Juneteenth.

> Free Bread & Baked Goods at the

Cunningham Methodist Church 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Tuesdays

B-29 Museum

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

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Libraries

Cunningham Public Library Mon., Wed., Fri. 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

> Tues., Thurs., Sat. 9:00 - 11:30 a.m. Closed for Holidays



Zenda

Public Library Monday

8:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. Thursday: 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday:

8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. 620-243-5791

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Activities at the Cunningham Public Library

Thursday, June 16th, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.- Story Time for 3-5 – year-olds - "Joy to the Fishes"

Children will create a variety of ocean creatures and take part in a sea-shell sensory session

Friday, June 17th, 3:00 - 500 p.m.- Family Friday & Hasbro® toyrecycling drive collection day

Parents, caregivers may visit the library with their children on a comeand-go schedule between 3-5 p.m. to work on a project/craft and read together. This is a selfdirected program. The library will provide supplies and directions for a craft that is age-appropriate. (Parents: We'll have something for both age groups! Something different each Friday.)

Toy Recycling: Hey kids! Want to help keep plastic out of the ocean this summer? Bring your unwanted plastic toys to the library on Friday afternoons. We'll box them and send them in to be recycled! Please remove batteries - stop at the library for a "what's accepted/not accepted"

Wednesday, June **22nd**, 2:30 – 3:15 p.m., "Zines" for ages 6 and up

Participants will get "creative with collage" by making mini magazines with Emilie Steffen-Smith. This art project is inspired by author/illustrator, Melissa Sweet.

Thursday, June 23rd, It's "Turtles Ahoy!" with Pam Martin, Kansas Wetlands Education Center

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon at the library. All ages!

Friday, June 24th, 3:00-500 p.m. - Family Friday & Hasbro® toyrecycling drive collection day Monday, June 27th,

Dan, the Magic Man -(community center or library—TBD) Wednesday, June 29th,

10:00 a.m. - Dan,

2:30 - 3:15 p.m., - It's time to get Ship-Shape!

We're hoping Harry's Ship-Building presenta-

tion will have inspired the captain in you. Can you keep your boat afloat? How many pennies can your constructed boat hold before it sinks? We'll also learn how to

build a rubber-band pow-

(more on

ered boat!

back) Thursday, June 30th, Story Time for 3-5 – year-olds – Exploring the ocean by boat!

We'll be building a kid-sized ocean habitat and sailing a juice-boxboat from island to island. What other materials in nature might make a good boat or raft? We'll also play a game of "Will it float?" –always a pre-k

Friday, July 1st, 3:00 - 500 p.m.- Family Friday & Hasbro® toyrecycling drive collection day

(See June 17th) Saturday, July 2, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m., Kids

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turn in reading logs, collect prize (Hint: just in time for the July 4th holiday!) and certificate. TBA - Summer Reading 2.0

We're looking into scheduling some fun family activities later in the summer after the fair, when families return from vacations and school is still weeks away-you know, when kids are actually looking for things to do again ☐ How about a painting class? Who's up for a board-game night? Anyone for an outdoor movie? If you're more science-minded, we've got you! How about a Science Friday STEM program?

We welcome your feedback on any programming ideas! PLEASE LET US KNOW WHAT APPEALS TO YOU. There are "oceans of possibilities!"

South Central Community Foundation County Tours: Dates

Announced South Central Community Foundation

(SCCF) is excited to an-

nounce their schedule for the 2022 Summer Listening Tours.

Hoping to gain insight into the counties they serve, these meetings will start with a quick overview of the Foundation before moving into discussion with the attendees about their community's successes

and difficulties.

After the conclusion of these tours, SCCF plans to start exploring how they can help play a part in each area's needs and future goals.

This is a public meeting, and all community members are invited to attend on Wednesday, June 22nd starting at 5

p.m. at the Eagles Pub (1225 N. Golf Road in Kingman).

For more information regarding these tours or questions about the Foundation, please contact SCCF at (620) 672.7929 or sccf@sccfks.org.

New water exercise class began on June 14th at noon! Classes will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12:00 - 12:45. Cost is admission to the pool (\$2) or free with a season pass!!

Museum Summer Hours Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

or contact Angie Mertens at 620-532-4354 or

Alan Albers at 620-298-2725 or Mike McGovney at 620-770-9503

Kingman Historic Theatre **FREE Faith-Based Movies** Thursday, June 16th

Edge of the Spear Thursday, June 23rd

I Can Only Imagine

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"Swimming was the last thing I wanted to do. Drowning him? Maybe." — Jennifer L. Armentrout, Obsidian

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June 17th - 19th

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Consider this...

by Mike Johnson

The Corporate Dog is No Dummy

The corporate dog is no dummy. But he is getting a little lazy.

At eleven years old, "Snow" is beginning to show his age. He sleeps more. He barks less. He thinks twice before making any unnecessary movements.

And so it's begun this past year, that he's even begun to cut down on our walks.

Part of the routine here at our treetop home is frequent breaks to clear the cobwebs that develop as we go about the multiple tasks involved in our home office. After

several hours, our heads become so jammed with minutia, that we need to escape from it for a while. So we'll take a walk. This is heaven for a dog who thinks nothing is better than chasing after new sights and smells.

At least that's how Snow used to think.

Recently, he's started to decline opportunities. Or cut them short and head home himself, halfway through our route.

He's followed along so often that he knows the routine, even the occasional variations we take to keep things fresh. So on those days when he's perfectly comfortable where he is, he saves himself the trouble of the journey, knowing that soon enough, we'll show up right back here anyway.

The dog has learned,

that no matter which path we take, all roads lead back to the place where we started.

Why is that so easy for the dog to understand and so difficult for us to see?

No matter what the journey, what the new venture, no matter how far afield we travel, we always return to our starting place - ourselves. New jobs, new relationships, new material goods, or new travels do nothing to permanently fill the emptiness that drove us to seek external changes. Under closer examination, most of these new activities in which we engage are merely efforts to escape - escape from our own fears of lack, disapproval from others or low esteem for ourselves.

We chase the almighty dollar in the mistaken belief that given enough money, we'll receive peace of mind. Enough money, we think, will allow us to quit that job, get away from those neighbors, flee that uncomfortable situation and we'll find happiness. No further worries. "Security," will erase those fears. We'll have freedom. Peace of mind.

Au contraire.

We can't escape ourselves. We can only change ourselves. Look around. How many go from job to job, leaving behind a pattern of similar complaints everywhere they've worked? How many divorce, only to find similar problems in the next marriage? How many move, only to discover they're just as unhappy in the new location as they were in the old?



Thank You

We have lost a very special member of our family, and would like to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, food and flowers, text, calls and visits. This is a very special place to live with so much support. Thank you again! Tom and Debbie Renner

Changing an external situation in an effort to "become happy," is like putting dry pants over a pair of wet ones. There's no comfort without changing the inside pair first. Wherever we go, we bring ourselves along.

Here in the treetops, we typically walk from our home, down to the road and then return again. Snow has reached the point where he knows immediately where the

trip is going to lead - and end. And he's increasingly choosing not to make the effort. Why dash about exerting all that energy if it's just going to lead back to the place he's already content with in the first place?

I used to think he was merely getting lazy. Now I'm beginning to realize, that he just might have achieved the greatest discovery of all - peace of mind.

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Pass It On®... The Life and Influence of John James Audubon

Before photography, the natural world was captured in paintings and sketches by artists like John Audubon, whose remarkable illustrations of birds have endured for 200 years. One of his contemporaries remarked that Audubon's work "represented the passions

St. John, Zenda

Saturdays 5:30 p.m.

and feelings of the birds," something photography could not do.

As a boy growing up in France, John James Audubon loved the woods and spent hours roaming in the wild, collecting avian curiosities—bird nests and eggs-and made crude drawings. After a failed stint in the Navy, his father sent him to America, where he immediately caught Yellow Fever and was placed in a boardinghouse run by Quakers, who nursed him back to health and taught him English.

While his father hoped his curious son would make something of himself in mining or some other enterprise, John Audubon was consumed with the natural world. "Hunting, fishing, drawing, and music occupied my every moment," he writes. His other main interest was young Lucy Bakewell. The natural world held her interest as well, and the two were married.

Awakened by the need to provide for his family, John tried his hand as a storeowner yet failed. His next business also failed. He provided for his family by hunting and fishing but was soon thrown into jail for debt. Lucy began teaching school, and when John was released, he went off into the wilderness in buckskins, carrying little more than a musket, hatchet and drawing materials. There, at last, he found his calling.

The natural composition, details and color of a hand-colored Audubon engraving are remarkable. The artist is a keen observer of detail and captures the romanticism of an American wilderness worth preserving. Audubon sojourned for months at a time in the wilderness, rising long before dawn to observe and returning in full light to paint all afternoon. The careful and precise pen strokes belie Audubon's determined character. At one point, he lost over 200 drawings, his entire collection, when rats found their way into his cabin and chewed them up. Undaunted, he started

After 14 years of tramping in the wilderness with pen and ink,

he had his collection. But the popularity of avian drawings was slow to catch on in America. Still, he refused to give up. He earned enough to pay for passage to Europe to take his chances there.

To his good fortune, he was well received in England. His 435 original works were engraved, hand-painted and sewn into books that came to be known as the greatest picture book ever created: Birds of America. A contemporary French critic wrote, "A magic power transported us into the forests which for so many years this man of genius has trod. Learned and ignorant alike were astonished...."

Ultimately, John Audubon opened our minds not only to the beauty around us but also to the beauty of possibilities—if we just keep

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Catholic Churches Sacred Heart, Cunningham

Sundays 10:00 a.m.

St. Leo

St. Peter Willowdale Saturday 4:00 p.m. St. Leo Sundays 8:30 a.m. Father Roger Lumbre

> 620-243-5451 620-246-5370





Lutheran Churches St. John, Nashville

620-246-5220 Sunday School & Bible Class 9:15 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

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

Our worship service is found on the YouTube channel at: 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

Sunday School 9:30 am Morning Worship 10:45 Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 Jr High Youth Group 4:00 pm Sunday Sr High Youth Group 7:30 pm Sunday Wednesday Prayer Service 7:00

Pastor Mike McGovney 620-298-3201



United Methodist Church

Penalosa 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 J L Nichols

620-491-0680

Jonah and the Whale

Hmmm.

Christian Joke Sites One day, a teacher was talking to her first grade class about whales when a little girl had a question.

Little Girl: "Do whales swallow people?"

Teacher: "No, even though they are much bigger than a person, they

have throat pleats that filter their food of krill and plankton.

Thurston says Jonah was swallowed by a whale." Teacher getting an-

Little Girl: "But Mrs.

gry: "Blue whales cannot swallow people."

Little Girl: "Well, when I get to heaven I'll just ask Jonah if he was really swallowed by a whale."

Teacher, still red with anger: "What if Jonah went to hell?" Girl: "Well, then you can ask him."



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(to donte contaceJanet DeWeese 620-298-2717)

Hands of Hope (contact 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 (Money is being raised to dig a well in the village of Kakindu, Kenya) Cunningham Museum (to donate contact Alan Albers)

Cunningham Public Library (to donate, contact Kerri Steffen)

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YEARS AGO IN The Cunningham Clipper W. A. BRADLEY, EDITOR

1927

June 17 – The City Council and Mayor met in the Cannon Hardware company building Tuesday night and allowed the regular list of bills. Very little else was done.

The proposition of widening one block of first street was dismissed for the present. The street is quite narrow when cars are parked on both sides and the council are trying to find some way to make the street reasonably safe.

The waterworks proposition was again brought up at the meeting, but nothing of any consequence was done.

There is probably no doubt but that a petition will soon be in circulation for the waterworks as there are many who are interested in having them.

Ed Crick has traded his Hudson for a new Essex coupe. It is a nifty looking car.

1932

June 17 – Three-cent rate on first class mail becomes effective on July 6.

Cunningham baseball team won from Zenda, 18 to 4, on the Zenda diamond last Sunday. Matt Zrubeck was the winning pitcher.

E. C. Dafforn, Ford dealer of Zenda, with his son, was in town Wednesday afternoon demonstrating the new Ford V-8. He brought the car around for the editor to drive and we will state that it drives very nice and handles nicely. The motor is very quiet and it has all kinds of "pep" when you turn all those horses loose. Thanks for the ride, Mr. Dafforn.

1937

June 18 – Miss Una Morrine, of McPherson, former teacher in Cunningham schools, and bride-elect of Clayton Watkins, was honored with a Crystal Shower at the home of Mrs. Chase Foutch, Friday evening.

The Midway Theater will stage a Beauty Review next Friday night, featuring little girls from the ages of 3 to 10 years. Merchants of the town are sponsoring the review.

1942

June 19 - In the Service - It's Now Private Gibbens!

Henry B. Gibbens, of Cunningham, chairman of the Selective Service Board No. 1 of Kingman county, is now a private in the United States Army and has been since last Friday.

Gibbens, 43 years old and chairman of his board, put himself into Class No. A-1 and when his turn came June 8, put himself on the list of men to be inducted. He was accepted by the Army doctors and is now in Company B Barracks No. 1 in Fort Leavenworth,

In a letter to Colonel Raymond F. Montgomery, assistant director of the Kansas Selective Service headquarters, Gibbens wrote, "I have more peace and satisfaction here than on the draft board and feel as tho I am really doing my share."

This is the second World War for Gibbens, and he comes from a long line of American soldiers, for in every war in which the United States has been involved, there has been a relative of his among our armed forces.

1947

June 20 – Cunningham defeated St. Leo, 4 to 2, Sunday afternoon at the Sterneker diamond, before one of the largest crowds ever to witness a ball game here.

Joey Theis clashed with Ollie Adelhardt in a thrilling pitcher's duel that will long be remembered. Theis gave up only three hits, fanned thirteen and walked four. Adelhardt yielded only three hits, fanned four and walked three.

St. Leo scored one run in the opening frame after two were out when R. Blasi walked and stole second on Zrubek's wild throw to the base and scored when Bradley muffed the overthrow in centerfield.

Cunningham scored one run in the fourth, when Theis opened the inning with a double to centerfield, advanced to third on an infield out and scored when Zrubek sacrifice-bunted.

The locals scored two more runs in the seventh when Anderson walked, Cooley was safe on an error, and Huhman was purposely passed to fill the bases, Bradley knocked a hot grounder to E. Kerschen who in trying to catch Cooley, overthrew third base, allowing Anderson and Cooley to score.

St. Leo counted one more run in the eighth and scored on a fielder's choice making the final count 4 to 2.

Frances Wetherall of Cunningham will teach home economics in the high school at Delphos next school

Hauser's Market announces the formal opening of their new modern self-service food market. We have installed all new streamlined plywood fixtures and a Weber frozen food cabinet. Saturday, June 21. Don't miss this sale!

Sunkist Lemons, 29c dozen Iceberg Head Lettuce, 2 for 15c Apricots, 24 lb. lug, \$3.29

Nash's Coffee, 44c lb. Morgan's Cherries, gallon can, 95c Staff-O-Life Blackberries, No. 2 can, 18c Tastewell Cream White Corn, No. 2 can, 14c Tastewell Hominy, No. 2 can, 14c Continental Peas, No. 2 can, 10c Frank's Kraut, No. 2 ½ can, 10c Welches Grape Juice, pint bottle, 29c

1952

June 20 -

East or West on Fifty-four If it's good food you're looking for, The Cozy Café in Cunningham Serves good food - Man, Oh Main!

Showing at the Cunningham Theatre Friday and Saturday - Richard Derr and Barbara Rush in "When Worlds Collide"

Sunday and Monday – Jane Russell, Victor Mature, and Vincent Price in "The Las Vegas Story"

Wednesday and Thursday – Mario Lanza and Ann Blyth in "The Great Caruso"

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Hauser's Market

Jo-Mar Ice Cream, pint, 25c Baby Beef Roast, 59c lb. Picnic Hams, 41c lb. Cudahy's Rival, Sliced Bacon, 36c lb. Armour's Supreme Bacon, 53c lb. Sunshine Cookies – Clover Leaf, Vienna Finger, Frosted Cake, Hydrox, Fig – 25c pkg.

Off the Record

The latest reports reveal that the Joneses are having a tough time keeping up with themselves.

If you think you are indispensable, try sticking your finger into a bowl of water and see how big the hole is when you pull it out.

1957

June 20 – A steady windstorm Saturday and Sunday, followed by up to two and one-half inches of rain Monday evening has left the ripening 1957 wheat crop around Cunningham in pretty bad shape.

In many fields the wheat is laying down and it is doubtful if it will raise up again even with the advent of perfect harvest weather. The type of wheat affected by the wind and rain of the past week is of the Wichita variety.

Today was the day for wheat farmers to vote for or against government wheat marketing quotas.

This is the fifth year in a row that farmers who seed more than 15 acres of wheat are called on to approve or reject federal marketing quotas on the 1958 wheat crop. Voting was running light in Rural and Dresden Townships, whose farmers were voting in the City Building in Cunningham.

If approved, wheat would be supported in 1958 at \$1.78 a bushel or 75% of parity.

This would mean that farmers would have to participate in the acreage allotment program or, if they seeded excess acres, would be subject to a penalty on the extra grain raised.

If two-thirds of the voters fail to approve the program, there would still be a support price of 50% of parity, or \$1.18 a bushel, and there would be no penalty for excess wheat raised.

Cunningham won their opening baseball game in Prairie League play last Sunday afternoon, as they beat determined All-Saints of Wichita by an 11-7 score on the local diamond.

Cunningham played their best game of the year at the bat, collecting 13 hits with Joe Theis getting four-for-five including a triple and a double. Carl Hartman went the distance on the pitcher's mound for Cunningham, giving up 11 hits and receiving fine support with his teammates executing three twin-killings. Elmer Becker handled the catching chores.

1962

June 21- Main Street of our city has been benefited this week with the moving of the Cunningham IGA grocery store from its former location in the Ellis Building on First Street to the Burnett-Bradley Building on North Main Street, recently purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Chet Spade, IGA store owners.

The first floor of the building has been completely renovated and refurbished for the grocery store, and has many features comparable to larger IGA stores in other cities.

The store has an attractive front, featuring two doors to handle in and out traffic, and a stationary aluminum awning over the entire store width to protect against sun and weather.

The Rexroad Construction Company of Salina, has completed three blocks of paving on North and South Main Streets, Wednesday, and expects to finish the fourth and final block today. The company has the paving project as a sub-contract from the Klaver and Wallace Construction Company of Kingman, who did the curbing and guttering but do not have the equipment to lay the soil-cement.

In expeditious action, Monday evening, the City Council passed seven petitions for additional curbing and guttering in both the north and south parts of town.

The additional petitions cover almost 14 blocks, but only two of the blocks will be paved with soilcement. The other 12 blocks will get a heavy rolled sand-chat surface.

Low Low Prices from our New New Store Carnation Evaporated Milk, 3 tall cans, 45c Gold Medal Flour, 5-lb. bag, 49c Vine Ripened Cantaloupe, 4 for only \$1 Fresh Peppers, 4 for only 29c California Sunkist Oranges, 10 for only 39c Van Camp's Pork 'n Beans, 2 #303 cans, 25c TV Milk, 1-gal glass jug, 79c TV Cottage Cheese, 2-lb. carton, 39c TV Orange Juice, 3 6-oz. cans, 59c Snow Crop Lemonade, 2 6-oz. cans, 25c Fresh Lean Ground Beef, 45c lb. Choice Blade Cut Chuck Roast, 39c lb. Choice Center Cut Chuck Roast, 45c lb. Choice Rib Steaks, 79c lb. Dold's All-Meat Weiners, 49c lb. Cunningham IGA "Where Prices Are Low Every Day"

1967

June 22 - Rain in daily and nightly doses during the past week has the wheat harvest literally "bogged down."

Estimates of rainfall in a total amount of about five inches has fallen in this area since last Friday night, and farmers must await several days of drying weather before moving into the fields again. One farmer reports he considers himself lucky – he was able to cut for 45 minutes, Tuesday afternoon, before being forced to stop for the daily shower, and another reported he managed 30 bushels before stopping.

Fr. James Wilkinson, pastor of St. Leo's Church, will be the new pastor of St. Mary's Church in Derby, according to recent appointments announced by the Wichita Diocese of the Catholic Church.

Fr. Michael Lies, presently serving the St. Francis Church in Wichita, will be the new pastor at St. Leo's Church.

Visitors on a recent tour of the nation's Spaceport and Cape Kennedy Air Force Station included MRs. Anna Steffen, of Cunningham, Miss Alice Wilcox, of Pratt, and Mrs. Don Link and son of Merrit Island, Fla. Mrs. Steffen and Miss Wilcox were visiting Mrs. Steffen's daughter, Mrs. Link, Mr. Link and family at Merrit Island at the time of the tour.

Norvin Lawson, a native of Cunningham, died last Thursday morning at 4:30 o'clock at the Donley Hospital and Clinic in Kingman.. He was a retired farmer and operator of a salvage business.

1972

June 15, 1972 – Kathleen Foley became the bride of Alan Albers at a 2:00 o'clock ceremony in the Holy Rosary Mission at Pine Ridge, S. Dak., Saturday afternoon, May 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cain Jr. of Cunningham, announce the engagement of their daughter, Linda Jo, to Darrell R. Soeken, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Soeken of Iuka.

Gilbert Beat brought the first load of the 1972 wheat to the Farmers Co-op last Wednesday. Manager K. C. Jones said the load tested 64 pounds, with 13 ½ percent moisture content.

Cunningham's Ninnescah League baseball teams evened their season's records at 2-2 with victories over Partridge last Friday night.

Rain brought a halt to wheat harvesting operations in the Cunningham area this week.

A hard, two and one-half incher stopped everything, Saturday evening, and the weather has been cloudy, with intermittent showers throughout the first few days of this week. About 1.60 inches of rain fell Tuesday and overnight.

- WANTED -

Old Photos for Our Community Album

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New School Updates

As promised from last week, I am including the newest rendering of the floor plans for the new high school.

Some of the high points Mr. Reed pointed out were the cabinets in the classrooms. A hall-way has been added to access the back parking lot. One of the classroom has been 'flip-flopped' with the breakroom/of-fice space.

The shop areas have been re-worked as well. A FACS classroom has replaced the ag classroom, and the ag classroom has been moved across the hall to the shop area.

There will be 118 lockers (18" wide) installed in the hallway that run between the classrooms. These will be used by students 7 - 12 grades.

The gym lobby will be approximately 2800 square feet, including the concession stand area.

A digital display for events will be installed in the gym lobby, as well as a seating area.

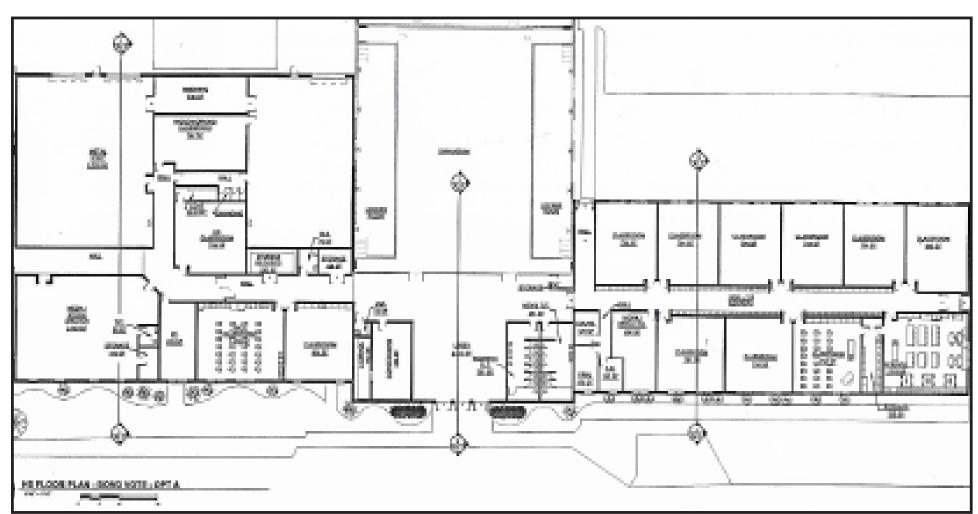
The library will in be the shelter in place for the buildings. A bathroom has been added to the shelter space as well. To the east of the library is a IT storage and workroom for the librarian/media specialist to use. Consideration is being given to a install a glass room for meetings and study space.

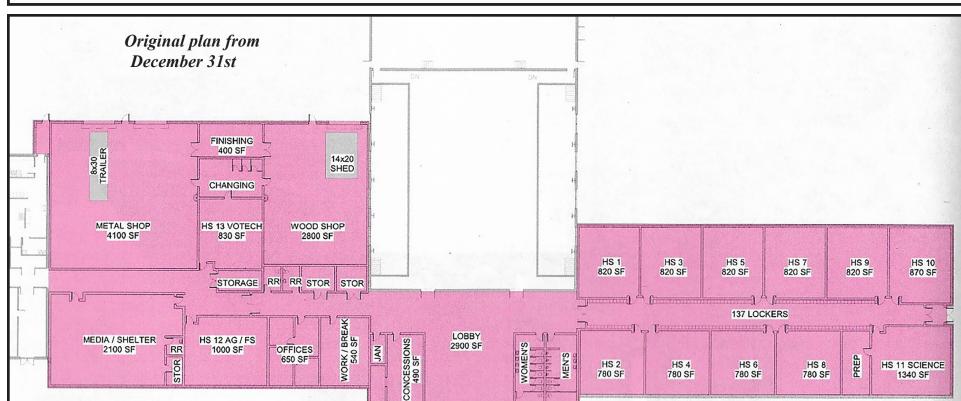
I apologize for the haziness of the top photo, I had to scan the document Mr. Reed gave me, and sometimes scanning doesn't produce the best

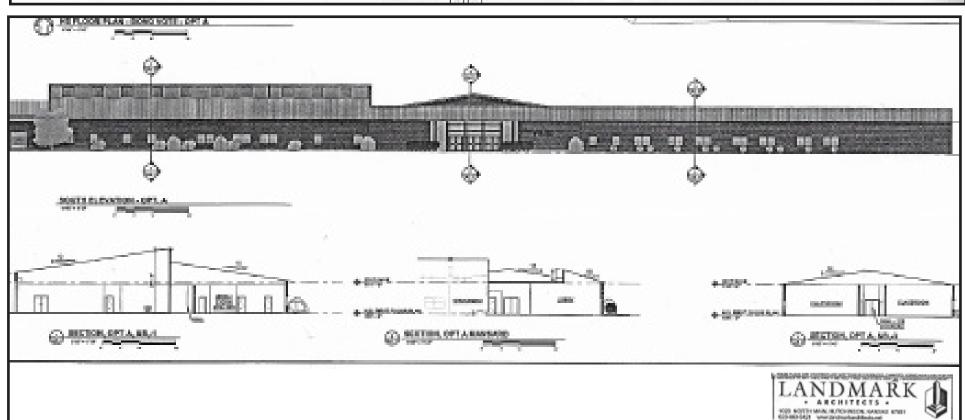
picture. I hope some of you have a magnifying glass you can use.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the school and ask them. 620-298-3271

OR 620-298-2473 OR 877-672-5641 (toll free).







Fatal Accident on Highway 54

On, Wednesday, June 8th, about 12:30 p.m. a 2009 Ford F150 heading north, driven by Benjamin Sickles of Kingman failed to yield the right of way at a stop sign at the intersection of U.S. 54 and SW 70th Ave, about 11 miles east of Cunningham. A 2022 Peterbilt semi pulling a 2014 Walker Trailer and traveling in the eastbound lane, struck Sickles' vehicle on the driver's side. Both vehicles came to rest upright in the median.

Benjamin Sickles, 44, was dead at the scene, His passenger, Dakota Harbert, 28, from Kingman, was transported to Wesley Medical Center with suspected serious injuries.

The driver of the semi, Anthony Rigdon, 39, of Shiatook, Oklahoma, was not injured.



This photo was sent to me this week. What a cute little grouping! I think that is a little hedgehog ornament sitting in a chair. It is in a public walking area. Do you know where it is? Or who created it?



A feathered visitor found Josh Theis this week. Beep-Beep!

"Anyone who does anything to help a child in his life is a hero to me."

— Fred Rogers



































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Minutes from Kingman County Commission for June 6th

(con't from front page)

Charles Arensdorf; Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer and John Riggins, Kirkham Michael come forward and talk with them.

John Riggins, Kirkham Michael was in with a Construction Inspection Contract for the W.3-8.0 superstructure replacement with Kingman County.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to accept the contract with Kirkham Michael not to exceed \$100,917.40. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf presented the following permit for approval:

Lumen to replace fiber optic cable along Section 31, Township 27, Range 05 (Evan).

Mr. Arensdorf discussed the flooding issues from June 1st storm on south 70th avenue and the damage to the road.

Mr. Arensdorf discussed the radio tower meeting that was held on 5/24/2022 and Commissioner Thimesch let the board know what was discussed. The soil will need to be tested before a tower is placed at the landfill.

Commissioners discussed having a freestanding tower due to space.

Mr. Arensdorf asked the Commissioners if they would like for him to have Terracon test the soil.

Commissioners agreed to have Terracon test the soil so they can move forward on a tower.

Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer let the Commissioners know that there is an upcoming meeting on July 13th and 14th coming up in Wichita that he thought the Commissioners may want to attend.

Mr. Goetz was in to discuss the Flat Ridge 2 repower project with the Commissioners and Mr. Arensdorf and Mr. Bachenberg.

Commissioners want to know if they will fix the roads they use during and after.

Mr. Goetz let them know that there should be two representatives attend the meeting next Monday.

Mr. Arensdorf and Mr. Bachenberg left the meeting at 11:54 a.m.

Ms. Langley and Ms. Stegman returned to reviewing budget requests with the County Commissioners.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to go into executive session with Brandon

Ritcha, County Attorney to discuss pending administrative proceedings at 12:47p.m. pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of matters which would be deemed privileged under the attorney-client relationship, and they will return to open session in the board meeting room at 12:52 p.m. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners returned to regular session at 12:52 p.m. with no decision made.

County Clerk submitted the minutes of the May 23rd, 2022 Commission meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the minutes of the May 23rd, 2022 Commission meeting. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 12:56 p.m. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

USDA Reminds Producers of 2022 Acreage Reporting Requirement

The Kingman County Farm Service Agency reminds agriculture producers that July 15, 2022, is the deadline to file an acreage report for spring seeded crops, CRP, and grass. Planted acres must be reported to FSA by July 15, 2022. The Agricultural Improvement Act of 2018 (2018 Farm Bill) requires producers on a farm to submit annual acreage reports on all cropland.

Timely acreage reports for all crops and land uses, including prevented and failed acreage that producers submit to their local FSA office, are important to ensure program eligibility for all farm programs."

Acreage reports to FSA are considered timely filed when completed by the applicable final crop reporting deadline, which may vary from state to state. Producers who do not enroll by the July 15 deadline are subject to late-filing requirements. Producers should contact their local office for an appointment to provide an accurate acreage report of their springseeded crops.

For questions on this or any FSA program, including specific crop reporting deadlines and planting dates, producers should contact their county FSA office or seek information online at www.fsa.usda.gov.

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KANSAS WH**EAT**

Day 1, Kansas Wheat Harvest Report

This is day 1 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.

The combines have just started to roll in south central Kansas, and variability is the name of the game for the 2022 wheat crop thus far.

Loads started trickling in on Thursday and Friday in Danville, but harvest kicked into steady gear in Harper County over the weekend, according to MKC vice president Jason Brown.

Brown noted early loads were from wheat pasture, meaning stands were pretty thin, but growers are now cutting better fields. Yields are expected to average between 30 and 40 bushels per acre, but early fields have ranged from 16 to 60 bushels per acre. Test weights are a little light — averaging 57 to 58 pounds per bushel but also getting heavier as more fields are cut. Protein is reflective of drought stress with samples averaging between 12 and 14 percent.

Yield variability is also the most striking characteristic of harvest in Barber County, according to David Gaddis, general manager of OK Coop Grain Co. in Kiowa. The first load arrived at the elevator late on Friday, but Monday, June 13, was the first real day of harvest. Moisture is plenty dry at 11 or 12 percent, but yields swing from 18 to 50 bushels per acre.

Gaddis noted the wheat crop is goodlooking so far, with above-average proteins and test weights at 59 to 60 pounds per bushel. Overall, he said it's a typical drought-stressed crop with late rains that helped fill smaller berries and keep some fields from being total disasters.

"Like most things in life, it's highly variable," Gaddis described the start of the 2022 wheat harvest. "It depends on what rains you caught

and when you planted it."

Late rains gave the boon of filling berries, but have also caused delays in Reno County. Still, Matt Long, MKC senior location manager, said harvest is kicking off four to five days earlier than usual in the area. The first loads arrived at the Castleton location on Saturday, which has taken in about eight loads or 8,000 bushels so far.

Yields from these early fields are coming in as expected at mid-30s to low-40s bushels per acre with protein higher than normal due to drought stress. Despite thinner stands, quality is good, likely due to recent timely rains, with test weights over 60 pounds per bushel.

"As you drive around the countryside, it's hit or miss," Long said, noting that the fields coming in now were mostly doublecropped and he expects this year's harvest to stretch out.

With two percent of the Kansas wheat crop harvested as of June 12, according to the USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service's weekly crop progress and condition report, time will tell where the average yield, test weight and protein will fall as harvest marches onward. The report noted 31 percent of the wheat crop was mature as of June 12, ahead of 16 percent last year and 25 percent average. Statewide, the agency rated the wheat crop's condition at 26 percent good to excellent, (con't on page 9)

Public Notice

First published in the Cunningham-Courier, Thursday, June 9, 2022. IN THE THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

> IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: SAMUEL I. ROHRER, Deceased.

Case No. 2021 PR 35

(Petition Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59) NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on June 1, 2022, a Petition was filed n this Court by Leon Brand, duly appointed, qualified and acting Executor of the Estate of Samuel Rohrer, deceased, praying Petitioners acts be approved; account be settled and allowed; the heirs be determined; the Will be construed and the Estate be assigned to the persons entitled thereto; the Court find the allow-

ances requested for attorneys'

fees and expenses are reasonable and should be allowed; the costs be determined and ordered paid; the administration of the Estate be closed; upon the filing of receipts the Petitioner be finally discharged as the Executor of the Estate of Samuel I. Rohrer, deceased, and the Petitioner be released from further liability.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before June 27, 2022, at 9:30 o'clock a.m. in the District Court, Kingman, 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.

Leon Brand, Executor Matthew W. Ricke, #20995 ATTORNEY AT LAW, LLC 349 North Main, P. 0. Box 113 Kingman, KS 67068 (620) 532-3103 Attorney for Petitioners

Public Notice

First published in the Cunningham-Courier, Thursday, July 16, 2022. IN THE THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: NANCY ANN HAWKINS, Deceased. Case No. 2022 PR 27

(Petition Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59) NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Rosalind "Gwen" Drosselmeyer and Byron "Roy" Hawkins, heirs of Nancy Ann Hawkins, deceased, praying:

Descent be determined of the following described real estate situated in Kingman County, Kansas: ots Forty-five (45), Forty-six 46), Forty-seven (47), Fortyeight (48), Forty-nine (49), Fifty (50), Fifty-one (51), Fifty-two

(52), Fifty-three (53), Fifty-four (54), Fifty-five (55) and Fifty-six (56), inclusive, Smith's Addition to the City of Kingman, Kingman County, Kansas. and all persona property and other Kansas real estate owned by decedent at the time of death. And that such property and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by the decedent at the time of death be assigned pursuant to the laws of intestate succession.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before July 5, 2022 at 10:00 o>clock a.m in the city of Kingman, in Kingman County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Rosalind "Gwen" Drosselmeye and Byron "Roy" Hawkins

Co-Petitioners BY: Matthew W. Ricke 349 N. Main, PO Box 113 Kingman, KS 67068 (620) 532-3103 Attorney for Petitioners

Wednesday, June 8th

Traffic stops Traffic complaint Traffic complaint Traffic complaint Fire investigation

Thursday, June 9th

Traffic stop Traffic complaint Traffic complaint Suspicious vehicle Theft Vehicle disabled Theft

Friday, June 10th Traffic stops

Traffic complaint Traffic complaint Animal

Saturday, June 11th Traffic stops

Traffic complaint Animal Animal Lockout Motorist Assist Vehicle disabled Vehicle disabled

1000 block W Hwy 54 Cunningham SW 150 St & SW 50 AVe area Spivey @ mm 144 N Parkway St. & E. Fourth Ave area Norwich

18000 block W Hwy 54 Cunningham SW 110 St & SW 90 Ave Zenda 300 block E 1st St. Norwich 9000 block NW 10 St. Cunningham 15000 block NE 50 St. Cheney

11000 block E Hwy 54 Cheney W Smoots Creek Rd & NE 50 area Pretty Prairie 3100 block NE 10 St Kingman

SE 150 AVe & W Hwy 42 area, Nashville 600 block W. A Ave Kingman 100 block W Second St. Cunningham E Hwy 54 & NE 150 Ave area Cheney 1000 block E Hwy 54 Kingman 5000 block E Hwy 54 Kingman SW 140 Ave & W Hwy 42 area Kingman

Kingman County Sheriff's Report Sunday, June 5th Traffic stops

Alarm

Animal

Assist other agencies Vehicle - disabled Monday, June 6th Traffic complaint Traffic complaint

Traffic complaint Alarm Assist other agencies Suspicious Activity

Vehicle disabled Tuesday, June 7th

Trespassing

Traffic stops Traffic complaint Traffic complaint Traffic complaint 911 ACC-hangup Animal Animal Suspicious vehicle

Vehicle disabled

9200 block SW 10 Ave Kingman 1100 block E Hwy 54 Kingman Kingman County 11000 block E Hwy 54 Cheney

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33 percent fair and 41 percent poor to very poor.

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Written by Julia Debes for Kansas Wheat

We're going to take our Dads...



Day 2, Kansas Wheat Harvest

This is day 2 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.

Growers across the southern tier of Kansas are off and cutting. Early indications continue to show lower than average yields, as expected. Spots of good quality, however, are a welcome surprise

rains that filled smaller and fewer wheat berries.

Loads are coming in today at all locations of Alliance Ag & Grain LLC, according to Spearville-based grain merchandiser Sam Rucker. Producers started cutting on Saturday in Ford County. Results are variable, with moisture ranging from 10 to 14 percent and test weights running from 55 to 62 pounds per bushel. The wheat is dry, and combines are ready to roll in Pratt and Stafford counties, but some operations are waiting for harvest crews delayed in Oklahoma. Harvest did start in the area on Monday, and Kanza Coop Association has taken in about 100,000

bushels, according to Jim Lewton, grains operation.

Lewton expects yields to be down substantially, but moisture is dry and test weights are in the upper 50s to low 60s. Protein levels will likely be adequate due to the drought stress.

"We got some rains in May, too late to make any bushels, but improved the quality of the bushels we did have," Lewton said.

Harvest also started on Monday in southeastern Kansas, but Beachner Grain Inc. in Independence has only taken in 12 loads thus far, according to location manager Todd Fienen. In contrast to much of the state, the area had a pretty good growing season, starting a little dry but

receiving moisture when the wheat crop needed it, especially for the last month or so.

"Everything from 4th of May until last week has just been saturated," Fienen said. "But it's finally drying out."

Fienen reported the limited wheat coming into the Montgomery County location has heavy weight - anywhere from 59 to 62 pounds per bushel — is good and dry - moisture ranging from 11 to 13 percent — and in good condition. With lots of green wheat still out there, he expects producers to be cutting until the Fourth of July.

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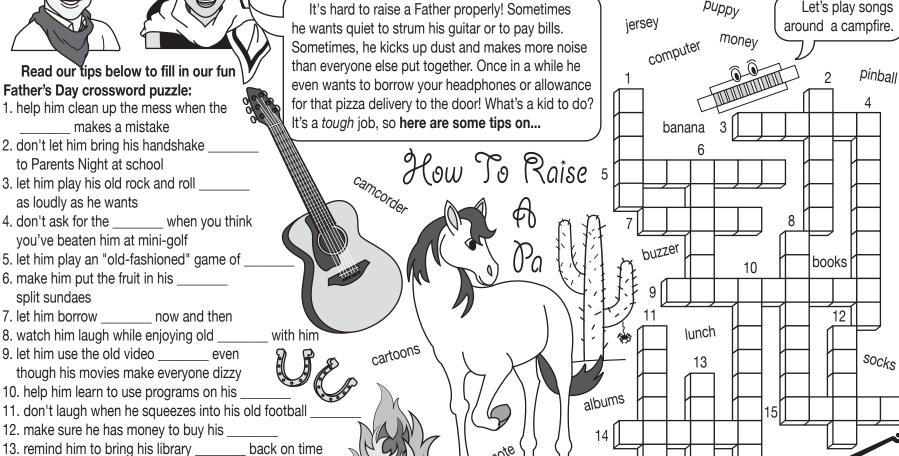
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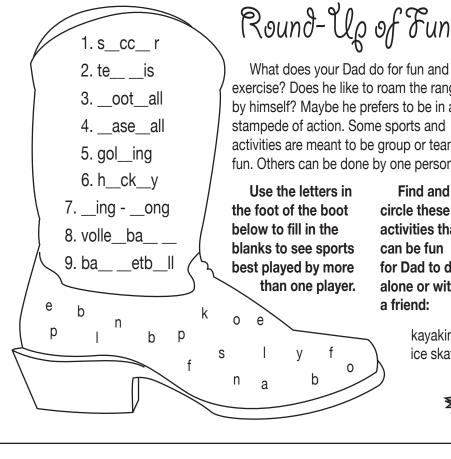


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15. make sure his match in the morning

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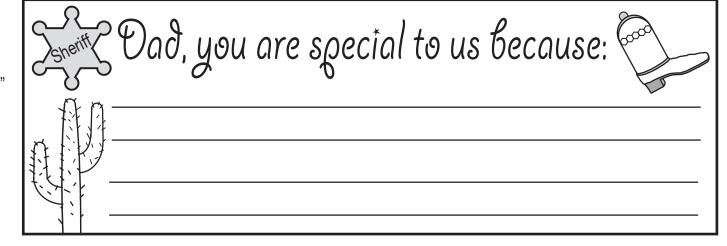
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On the Ranch

Make a list of the special things Dad does "on the ranch" for you and your family. Have everyone write one line. When you are done you can cut the list out and put it next to his place at breakfast or hang it on the refrigerator for all to see and agree!



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Rufus's Road Trip Continued: Part 2

Recap: Rufus was rescued by the Kingman County Humane Society. in February. When I met him he was having a difficult time walking due to some hip issues, but he was game for a walk around the KCHS lot. We stumbled a few times, but we walked. We walked almost every week when I went to volunteer.

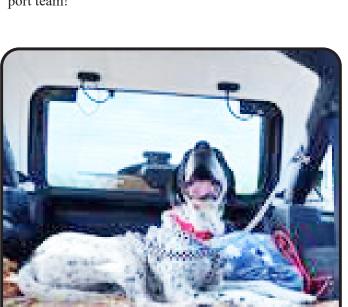
Rufus has finally found a foster home in New Jersey, and these are bits of his adventure getting there. I thought I'd end the story thsi week, but it looks like I underestimated the length of Rufus's adventure! -the editor



One last leg tonight to Terra Haute, IN and then some well deserved rest for Rufus and LadyBird and the amazing transport team!



Rufus and LadyBird are safe and sound in Terra Haute, IN. Time for them to settle in and get some much needed rest. One more long day tomorrow. Its amazing how many great people came together to make this happen. It takes a village.



Leaving Ohio...on his way to Wheeling, West VA! If only he could earn "frequent pas-



Next stop, Stanton, PA....roll on Rufus, roll on!

Rufus and LadyBird are already on the road this morning. Both are doing well and are great passengers. This is a long leg - next stop Springfield, OH. Safe travels

everyone!

LadyBird has joined Rufus'

Road Trip! She's so gorgeous. This

trip is getting interesting now! Our

Rufus may fall in love. You know

them company all the way to Springfield, OH (Sunday). Next

stop, Effingham, IL

how those long road trips are..... LadyBird will be keeping

senger miles"



Wouldn't this be a fine and noble deed to do? Help with abandoned and hopeful pets? Volunteers are always needed at shelters around the world.

I appreciate the ladies at KCHS posting this information and giving me a head's up that I can use it for the paper.

Kingman County Humane Society Pets Ready for Adoption

Ir. Blue

Sponsored by Baker Accounting



Male Terrier, American Staffordshire / Boxer

Weight: 53 pounds

Age: 1 year, 10 months

Adoption Fee: \$180.00

Intake date: May 12, 2022

One look into these soft, brown eyes and you'll realize that Mr.

Blue is not just another Pit Bull mix. This boy is so sweet, very smart and so responsive. First time out on a leash and he was walking like a pro, Love this boy! You've got to come meet him.

Princess

Sponsored by Karla Westerman

Female Domestic Shorthair



Age: 1 year, 8 months

Adoption Fee: \$40.00 Intake Date: April 29,

Princess and her babies are not quite ready

2022

for homes just yet but they are all cute and healthy and just need a little more time before Mom and babies are ready to part ways. But you can still pick out your favorite and put a hold on one before they are all spoken for!

The pets at Kingman bleach County Humane Society are in need of the following items: dry cat and kitten food clumping cat litter canned dog food Purina Puppy Chow long-lasting chews 8-quart stainless steel flat sided water buckets paper towels

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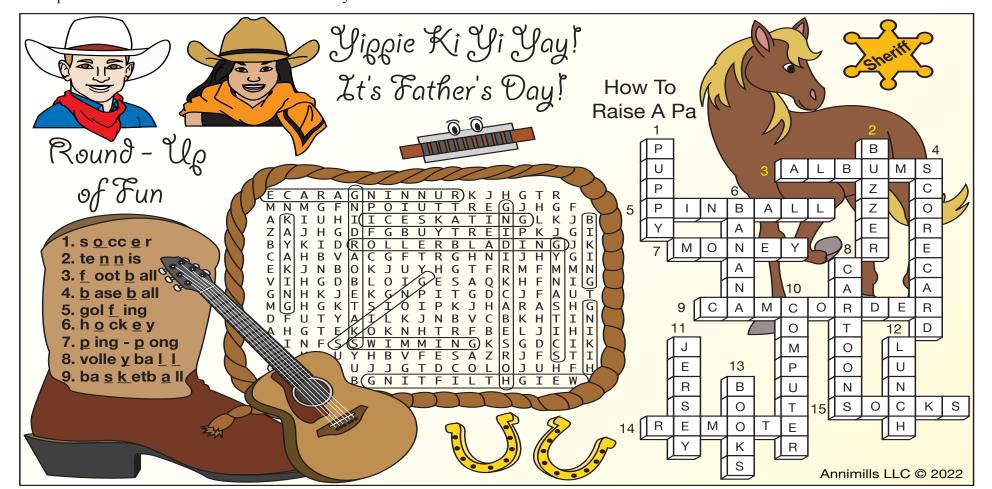
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Deadline for proposals is: Friday, July 1, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. (CST) at City Hall, Scott City, Ks.



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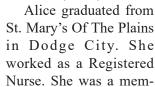
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Alice Murphey

Alice K. Murphey, 79, passed away Wednesday, June 8, 2022. She was born on April 10, 1943 in Kingman to Bruno and Florence (Marx) Harbert.





ber of Sacred Heart Catholic Church where she was a member of Altar Society and taught CCD. She was an avid gardener but also enjoyed volunteering with the Senior Center in Pratt, crafting, tatting lace, playing cards with her girl friends and spending time with grandchildren whether it be babysitting or attending their activities.

She is survived by daughters, Dana Murphey of Ellinwood and Heather Murphey of Cunningham; sister, Delores (Marion "Bud") Sloan of Joplin, Missouri; grandchildren, Ian Murphey Hosler of Ellinwood and Marlow Murphey Hosler of Manhattan.

Alice is preceded in death by her parents and sister, Pauline "Sister Mary Helen" Harbert.

Services will be announced at a later date.

Memorials may be made to Pratt Area Humane Society or Kingman Humane Society in care of Larrison Mortuary, 300 Country Club Road, Pratt.

Judy Birkenbaugh

Judith Ann Birkenbaugh, 78, of Kingman, passed away on June 7, 2022.

Judy was born on February 3, 1944 to Edward and Ruth Scott Utz in McPherson, Kansas. She was raised and received her education in McPherson and Kingman, graduating



from Kingman High School in 1962. After high school Judy went on to study Home Economics at Southwestern and later Fort Hays State University where she received her Bachelor's degree.

On July 3, 1966, she married Clint Birkenbaugh at Kingman. Judy and Clint went on to have two children, daughter Heidi and son Jason who were her pride and joy.

Although Judy was raised a "city girl", she quickly adapted and fell in love with the life she and Clint had on the family farm. Judy's soft spot for all animals was evident by the attachment she had for all the animals they raised on the farm, especially her Dalmations and cats.

Life on the farm was always busy but Judy found time to be involved with many clubs and organizations. She was a member of the United Methodist Church, P.E.O, Eastern Star and Young Farmers Wives. She also served on the Board of Education for U.S.D. 331 for nearly a decade.

Survivors include son Jason and his wife Becky Birkenbaugh (Audrey, Ty, Claire and Logan) of Kingman; daughter Heidi and her husband Doug of Suppesville, Ks. (Cody and Sarah, Bethany, Kynslie Howard, Ashly and Elijah, Allison and LJ, Sloane, Tyler, Hank and Archie and Madison and Ezryn); brother and sister in law Scott and Judy Utz, sister and brother in law Sharon and Larry Theurer; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were Tuesday, June 14 at the Kingman United Methodist Church with interment at Walnut Hill Cemetery.

Memorials may be made with the Kingman Carnegie Library and the U.S.D. #331 Kingman-Norwich School District in care of the funeral home.



Coila Fitzsimmons

Moundridge - Coila Joyce Fitzsimmons, 84, passed away Friday, June 10, 2022 at Pine Village in Moundridge. She was born on July 3, 1937 at her home in Macksville to Harry C and Nellie (Johnson) Johnson. Coila married Otis Darrell Keen in Trousdale and had 3 children together. She later married John "Jack" Leslie Fitzsimmons on August 15, 1976 in Trousdale. He preceded her in death on April 5, 1998.

Coila graduated Trousdale High School in 1955. She was a member of Cunningham Methodist Church, Cairo EHU, Cunningham Garden Club and Haviland Medicine Valley Club. She enjoyed gardening, playing pool and attending her grandchildren's school activites. She was an avid seamstress and photographer and entered many of her pieces in the county fairs and Kansas State Fair.

She is survived by her children, Wayne (Elizabeth) Keen of Morrison, Oklahoma, Daniel (Tammy) Keen of Cunningham and daughter, Renita (David) Stos of Moundridge; sisters, Louise Snook of Great Bend and Marieta Johnson of Inman; brother in-law, Hardy Morris of Sacramento, California; grandchildren, DaWayne (Britteny) Stos of Moundridge, Devon (Brianna) Stos of Moundridge, Amy (Aaron Shirley) Keen of Wichita, Danielle (Angel Sylvia) Stos of Moundridge, Brian Keen of Texas, Travis (Allison) Keen of Coldwater, Tommy Keen of Garden City, Julie (Tommy) Whiteworth of Wichita and Jesse Koehler of Cunningham; stepdaughters, Suzan Anderson and Cindy Ball; 15 great-grandchildren; and numerous step grandchildren and step great-grandchildren.

Coila is preceded in death by her husband, John "Jack" Fitzsimmons; parents; sister, Phyllis Morris; brother, Cecil Johnson; sister in-law, Vickie Johnson; daughter in-law, Lois Keen; and stepsons John Fitzsimmons, Jr and James Fitzsimmons.

Funeral service was Wednesday, June 15, 2022 at Larrison Mortuary, 300 Country Club Road, Pratt with Pastor Louis Keeling presiding. Burial followed at Cairo Cemetery, Cairo.

Memorials may be made to Pine Village in care of Larrison Mortuary.

Adeline Green

Adeline C. Green, 95, died June 6, 2022 at Wheatlands Healthcare Center, Kingman.

She was born Dec. 22, 1926, at Willowdale, Kansas the daughter of Fred and Elizabeth Arensdorf Miller. A resident of the Zenda community most of her life, she was a farm wife and homemaker.

Adeline was a member of the St. John Catholic Church and the Altar Society, both of Zenda.

On Jan. 12, 1954, she married C. Wayne Green at Willowdale; he died May 28, 1992. Survivors include two daughters and their husbands, Becky and Clint East, Junell and Chauncey Swingle; brother Paul Miller; sisters Joan Smith, Mary M. Miller and Jeanette Gaider; sister-in-law Wilma Leonaggeo; four grandchildren and their spouses Brennen and Adrienne East, Abbie East with Michael Huffman, Megan and Tom Resch and Jeff Swingle with Melissa Conroy; and two great-grandchildren Aubrey and Ella Resch. She was also preceded in death by a brother Joseph "Sonny" Miller.

Parish rosary followed by the Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:00 a.m., Friday, June 17, 2022 at the St. John Catholic Church, Zenda. Friends may call Thursday, June 16, at the Livingston Funeral Home in Kingman from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Burial will be in the Attica Cemetery.

Memorials may be made with the St. John Catholic Church at Zenda and the Attica Senior Citizens Center, Attica, Kansas both in care of Livingston Funeral Home of Kingman.

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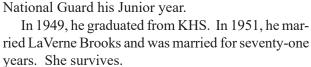
Monte Ray Amick

A Celebration of Life Services for Monty will be held at 5:00 p.m. Monday, June 27th, 2022, at Rumsey - Yost Funeral Home. 601 Indiana Street. Lawrence, KS, 66044. This is at the corner of 6th st and Indiana St. (or across the intersection from Pinkney Grade School.)

Bob Grey

Robert "Bob" Vincent Grey was born July 20, 1930, in Langdon, Kansas to Gordon V. and Vivian Williams Grey and passed away June 11, 2022, at Kingman, Kansas.

The family moved to Kingman in sixth grade and Bob joined the



He was also a part-time bus driver for Kingman schools; a volunteer firefighter for fourteen years. Bob was owner of Phillips 66 at the corner of Main and U.S. 54 for several years with Elton Long until selling out in 1966. After a stint with Morton Feed and then a parts salesman and wrecker driver for Bob Gorham Motors.

In 1970, he bought Western Auto, became President of the Chamber of Commerce and Treasurer of the Kingman Christian Church. In 1977, he purchased G&G Grocery on North Main and in 1981 he sold all and moved to Texas for a year upon returning to Kingman.

He worked for Food-4-Less and Food Barn and retired working for Whites IGA.

Survived by his wife; daughter Marja and her husband David Dickard; son Lonnie; sister Carol Ravenstein. He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Colleen, Joyce, Shirley; and brother Bill.

Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m., Saturday, June 18, 2022 at the Kingman Christian Church. The family will receive friends on Friday, June 17, 2022 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at the Livingston Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Walnut Hill Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Kingman Christian Church, Wheatlands Healthcare Center or Rivercross Hospice, all in care of Livingston Funeral Home.

Ben Sickles

Benjamin Sickles, 44, died June 8, 2022.

He was born April 23, 1978, at Winfield, Kansas the son of John and Mary Eilts Sickles. A longtime Kingman resident, he was a Extrusion Senior Coordinator at FabPro. A loving family man Ben was also an avid fisherman.



On Nov. 4, 2006, he married Jessica Gott at Kingman. Other survivors include sons Kyle and Jaxon; daughter Madalynn; mother Mary; sisters Missy Hale and Tabitha Boyce; 3 grandchildren; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral services were Tuesday, June 14, 2022 at the Livingston Funeral Home, Kingman. Burial will be in the Walnut Hill Cemetery.

Memorials may be made with the Sickles Children Education Fund in care of the funeral home.

Justin Bailey

Pratt - Justin Curtis Bailey, 41, passed away Sunday, June 12, 2022 at his home. He was born on April 26, 1981 in Pratt to Jay and Nancy (Kennedy) Bailey.

Justin graduated from Pratt High School in 1999. He worked as an Office Support Technician for American Trucking. He enjoyed



fishing, reading, playing video games and tending to his dogs.

He is survived by his parents; brothers, Bryan Bailey and Kyle (fiance' Bethany Lynn) Bailey all of Pratt; niece, Josephine Woodson; and grandmother, Jean Bailey of Pratt; his dogs, Zoey and Oscar; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, friends and other family members.

Justin is preceded in death by his grandparents, Sam Bailey and Merle and Lois Kennedy.

Cremation has taken place. A Celebration of Life will be held at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, June 16, 2022 at Larrison Mortuary with Jan Blasi presiding. Inurnment will follow at Greenlawn Cemetery, Pratt.

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