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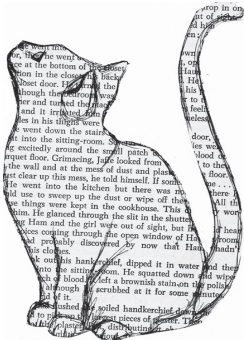
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Meanderings

Hey, fellow meanderers, this is the column I started a couple of weeks ago:

Growing up, Dad planted a garden northwest of the house when we lived south of the tracks there on Douglas Street (which wasn't Douglas Street 50 years ago).

Funny thing... I don't remember working in that garden much. Mom and Dad probably did most of the work. I can remember Dad tilling the soil. I can remember dropping seeds in and someone following up with a hoe, and I can remember following my sister and covering up the seeds she dropped in the holes. I remember watering the plants.

I can remember a potato patch south of the barn. Dad would grab his spade and a bucket or two. He'd set the bucket down, and start working the spade, and we girls would follow along, picking the potatoes out of the dirt and putting them in the buckets.

Summer makes me wish for a garden. I don't WANT a garden; I just would like to have access to one. A garden I don't have to work in. A garden I don't have to water or hoe. I want to hide in amongst the corn stalks, look for green beans on their vines. I would like to grab a saltshaker and a garden hose, and sit in the dirt pulling up radishes, salting them and enjoying an earthy summer treat. I would like to pick tomatoes straight off the vine and bite into them, the flavor of them soothing and delicious. I would like to sit in the garden and pick peas, cracking open the pods and tossing the peas into my mouth. What a delight!

Summer memories of gardens are wonderful.

I can't believe I've managed to fill another

paper and had material left over! I love when that happens. Except then I worry half the night that I forgot to put in something important....

I have decided that Thursday afternoons, before I head to volunteer at the shelter, I am going to spend a couple of hours at the Kingman Carnegie Library, getting 'new' news to add to our 'old' news column. Beginning this week, you will see news from 1977.

I have to use the microfilm machine (something I haven't done in 25 years). Back when I used one the cost to print from the machine was 10 cents. Now it is 25 cents, so I don't print much. I write the news down in script on a tablet, bring it home and retype it.... What I can read, that is.

Once a month, usually on the 3rd Saturday, the Cunningham High School class of 1979 gathers for a nice evening of good food and even better company. We have been having these little gatherings since my 60th birthday celebration last August

(yes, another birthday is rolling into my life next week already! Number sixty-one for those who aren't too good at math or curious or just really don't care even). Sometimes our group is small, sometimes it's large, but it's always, always, ALWAYS a pleasure to get together and visit and talk and catch up on our busy lives. We just had our July meeting at the Zenda Lumberyard. It was a small group this time: Lori and Chris were there for the first time, Berry and Carla, Dale and myself. It was nice to have a small group so I could visit more with those who were there with me.

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Last Thursday, I had birthday lunch with Karen Eck. (She turned 61.) We had a nice sit down visit at Cozy's Pizza, and wondered how we managed to spend 61 years of our life so quickly.

On Friday, my friends from Derby came out and we made our annual trip to Sawyer to eat at Family Food Store. Yummy! So yummy! I bought some

rolls: a cinnamon roll, a cherry roll, and a pecan roll. I stocked up on pickled beets (almost as good as Grandma's) and the dried okra didn't last the weekend.

Maryann, Vicki, Terri, and I headed to Pratt after eating. We spent the afternoon browsing the shops, buying a bit of this and a bit of that. Talking and catching up. I do love this yearly event and look forward to it every year as a special summer treat.

On Saturday, my friend, Kona, was in town from Holcomb, Kansas. She called, would I like to meet for lunch? You betcha! We met up at Humble Pie in Pratt and enjoyed tasty pizza and a nice long chat. We hadn't seen each other since pre-COVID. We message on FB, but it's still just so nice to sit and visit.

Coming up next week, MY birthday lunch with Karen on Thursday, and on Friday, I am heading to Derby to spend the day with my friend, Sue. Scrabble and a visit. Lunch and Scrabble. Visit and snacks. Just a nice, nice day.

My social life right now is keeping me busy!

We are due for a cool front this weekend. I am staying home and enjoying the cooler weather, hopefully it will rain. I need to mow, but I'll take the rain instead.

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and I have an idea (already!) for next week's column!

Always reading,
And currently re-reading,
"Pearl in the Storm: How I Found My Heart in the Middle of the Ocean"
By Tori Murden McClure,
Roberta

"Friendship is unnecessary, like philosophy, like art.... It has no survival value; rather it is one of those things which give value to survival."
— C.S. Lewis, *The Four Loves*

*"May I a small house and large garden have;
And a few friends,
And many books, both true."*
— Abraham Cowley

Tallgrass and Tumbleweeds

by Gaille Pike

Dear Readers,

It's HOT. And every weather forecast I've checked for here, there, and EVERYWHERE predicts it's going to stay that way...or get hotter. I equate the extra hours of sunlight that accompany Summer with bonus opportunities to enjoy family, fun and friends. But when fun under the sun becomes dangerous and blazing rays force us all

inside, the long days feel oppressive. So I long for Fall and Winter and muse on how nice it will be when things start cooling off.

Three important notes before we go any further:

TAKE CARE of yourselves, your loved ones, your pets and your livestock. Pay attention to Heat Advisories and let's do check on each other while it is so dangerously hot.

THANK YOU to all the line workers out there braving the heat to keep us safely air-conditioned as well as those working long hours to manage the demands on our power grid.

THANK YOU to all the air-conditioner repair technicians who are going the extra miles and working overtime.

I can't find a forecast predicting when this heat will break. And most suggest it will get even hotter over the next few days. BUT I do have good news to share—It could be worse.

According to weather.gov and kchistory.org, the worst stretch of heat in

Kansas was the summer of 1936 when there were 53 days over 100 degrees. There were "breaks" that summer when the temps dropped to 96. Wikipedia calls that summer "The 1936 North American Heat Wave" and says it remains one of the most extreme stretches of heat in modern history. And Kansas is one of 13 states where the All-Time Record for "Highest Daily Max Temperature" set that year still stands. Our record is by two towns where the mercury climbed to 121 degrees—Alton on 7/18/1936 and Fredonia on 7/24/1936. The accounts of lives and livestock lost across the

nation that summer are sobering and heartbreaking because few homes were air-conditioned and water was scarce.

Though I found a few meteorologists who think this summer is "on pace" to be in the Top Ten of hottest on record, none seem to think that Kansas heat will approach that recorded in 1936. Texas may not be so lucky. So if you're just now making vacation plans, I'd steer clear of there. I'm supposed to go to Dallas for work next month. Sure wish I could put that trip off until Winter when "warmer" might feel nice. And it makes me laugh that that now

I'm thinking of how, in a few months, I'll want a break from the cold when only a few minutes ago I was pining for Fall and Winter because the sun on my face was making me hot.

I like to think I'm only discontent with extremes, but writing this column's got me wondering if I just naturally desire the opposite climate of whatever I'm in—Am I the only one who runs hot and cold?

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



Primary Reasons to Show Up

Jackie Mundt, Pratt County farmer and rancher

The world belongs those who show up.

That simple idea has become one of the cardinal rules in my life. What I love about this rule is it doesn't hinge on predisposed talent or having the right connections. The only way to unlock the potential of this rule is to just keep showing up.

Showing up has been on my mind as I contemplate the upcoming primary.

Over the years, I have heard many people dismiss primaries as unimportant. They may say their vote doesn't matter or claim they will vote when the "real" election happens.

That type of thinking is flawed because often the primary election is the real race. If you live in an area that is largely affiliated with one party, the primary likely determines the front runner or the only name that will be on the ballot in the general election. In our state, there are dozens of state and local races where only one party has candidates who have filed for election. This is your chance to show up

for your community.

If you hesitate to vote because you aren't sure who to vote for, I invite you to visit KFB.org to see a list of the candidates endorsed by Kansas Farm Bureau's Voters Organized To Elect Farm Bureau Friends. These candidates have been recommended by our local members through a grassroots process. KFB's political action committee takes local feedback and, in cases of incumbents', voting histories into consideration to make endorsements for candidates who understand, value and support agriculture in our state.

If that is not enough of a reason to show up

for the primary, here an important question: Do you have an opinion on abortion? This is such a heated and prominent issue on the national stage that I am guessing most people do.

This primary election is your opportunity to share that opinion without having to put a sign in your yard and jeopardize any relationships. The primary will feature a proposed constitutional amendment that would affirm there is no Kansas constitutional right to abortion, and the right to pass laws to regulate abortion. If the amendment fails, the constitution would not change leaving in place the recently recognized right

to abortion.

I am not advocating for or against the amendment. However, I am advocating for you to show up and cast a ballot for your beliefs and values.

If I haven't convinced you in any of my previous points, let me try one more. You probably already knew an election was coming from the seemingly endless advertisements on social media, TV, streaming services and in your mailbox. These advertisements are overly sensational, meant to vilify one candidate while making a hero out of another, and often make claims that are irrelevant to the position in question.

The reason we are

bombarded with these advertisement is because organizations, many outside the state, are spending millions of dollars to sway your vote. All that money is spent in hope that an unengaged voter will show up to the poll and pick someone based on the faint memory they have of an advertisement.

If you don't want our elections to be determined by the highest bidder, show up as an informed voter for the primary.

Politics can be overwhelming and it is easy to feel like your vote doesn't matter, but it does. The world and elections belong to those who show up and I hope you will on Aug. 2.

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Thursday, July 14th 7:00 p.m. Water exercise class	Monday, August 8th 12:00 p.m. Water exercise class ***
Monday, August 1st 12:00 p.m. water exercise class	7:00 p.m. Board of Education meeting
Tuesday, August 2nd GET OUT AND VOTE! *** 7:00 p.m. water exercise class	Wednesday, August 10th 2022-2023 School Enrollment
Wednesday, August 3rd 12:00 p.m. water exercise class	Monday, August 15th 1st Day of Fall Sports
Thursday, August 4th 7:00 p.m. water exercise class	Wednesday, August 24th First Day of School
	Tuesday, August 23rd Teacher Professional Day

Approved Minutes from the June City Council Meeting

July 11, 2022 Special Meeting
The Cunningham City Council met in a special session on Monday, July 11, 2022 at City Hall, 119 N. Main St.

Present were Mayor, Aaron Murphy; Council Members: Jason Ruckle, Bart Ricke, Craig Woodard, Tanner Newell, and Tim Schultz; and City Clerk, Molly Morgan.

No guests were present.

Mayor Murphy called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Notice of Intent to Exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate – Motion by Ricke, second by Schultz to approve the notice of intent to exceed the revenue neutral rate. Motion passed with the following roll call vote:
Yes: Woodard, Newell, Schultz, Ruckle, Ricke
No: none

Infrastructure Summit – The Clerk has two webinars and a doctor’s appointment during the summit and is unable to attend. Council members schedules were full. No one able to attend in the summit.

4th of July Community Picnic - Motion by Newell, second by Ruckle, to reimburse Bernie Albers for groceries purchased for the 4th of July hamburger feed in the amount of \$756.20. Motion carried, 5/0.

Adjournment – Motion by Ricke, second by Newell, to adjourn. Motion carried, 5/0. Mayor Murphy adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

Spotlight Page Sponsorships

Please consider sponsoring the newspaper's school spotlight pages.

The family cost will be the same as last year (\$25.00 per person/family). The sponsorship for business will be a bit different this year -- only one-sized ad will be available.

By supporting these special pages, you help the newspaper, and the newspaper, in turn supports and funds school events and sponsorships. (Keeping your newspaper dollars local.)

If you wish to renew your subscriptions before the rates go up September 1st, please do so... and you can include your spotlight sponsorship in the same check.

--Roberta

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Cunningham Community Center,
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Public Notice
First published in The Cunningham
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS
Specialized Loan Servicing LLC Case No. 22CV12
Plaintiff K.S.A. 60
vs. Mortgage Foreclosure
Jackie Renee Cummings, et al., (Title to Real Estate Involved)
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued by the Clerk of the District Court in and for the said County of Kingman, State of Kansas, in a certain cause in said Court Numbered **22CV12**, wherein the parties above named were respectively plaintiff and defendant, and to me, the undersigned Sheriff of said County, directed, I will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand at **10:00 am on 8/11/22, at the front door of Kingman County Courthouse**, the following described real estate located in the County of Kingman, State of Kansas, to wit:

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SHERIFF OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS
Respectfully Submitted,
By: /s/ Sara Pelikan
Shawn Scharenborg, KS # 24542
Sara Pelikan, KS # 23624
Bonial & Associates, P.C.
12400 Olive Blvd., Suite 555
St. Louis, MO 63141
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Attorney for Plaintiff

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Upcoming Auctions

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1932

July 29 – Charlie Wetherall says it is going to rain. He started mowing his hay Thursday and says it never fails to rain when he starts cutting hay.

Slumberless Party

A group of young girls held a slumberless party Monday evening. They report a fine time and spent the night on the E. C. Crow lawn.

On Monday evening they were all loaded into Ora Anderson’s truck and took to Turon where they attended the picture show, “Lena Rivers” at the Dora Theatre. They came home from there and gathered at the E. C. Crow lawn until early morning when they walked to the river north of town and enjoyed a sunrise breakfast.

All report a fine time, but very little sleep.

Those in the party were: Misses Eleanor Crow, Martha Cooley, Eleanor Shelman, Bessie Baber, Gwendolyn Price, Sadie Schrum, Jean Baber, Louise Schrum, Mary Louise Anderson, and Hettie Schrum.

Sam McMichael, Elmo Huffman and Burris Miles left last Sunday morning on a vacation trip which will end in Yellowstone National Park. The young men have planned very carefully for the trip and do not expect to spend a great deal of money in seeing the sights, however, they do not intend to pass anything up. They expect to be gone for three or four weeks.

J. C. Shelman, Ray Amick, Jim Luce, and the writer hied themselves out to the banks of the Ninnescah river last Friday afternoon for a couple of days channel cat fishing. After driving over a hundred miles, a place was finally found that was suitable on the Messner farm southwest of Cheney. The fish bit good there and plenty were caught for eating. Saturday, the fishing party drove to the river southwest of Kingman where another day was spent fishing with good results.

1937

July 30 – Work will start within the next thirty days on resurfacing the county road from the Turon city limits south to the Kingman county line. Oil surface mat will be used.

It is understood that Kingman county commissioners have been approached regarding the matter of carrying the pavement project on to the Cannon Ball highway, but no definite plans have been made.

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1942

July 31 – Lumber is being unloaded here now and the work begun on the building of some government wheat storage bins being erected to relieve the wheat storage problem on the farms. The bins are being built on the Myrtle Baber property in the north part of town.

About twenty-five bins will be erected holding 3,000 bushels each. Fourteen steel bins, holding approximately 2,100 bushels each, were set up here during June and are now filled, the last one being filled this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Zrubek and sons moved last week into the Lloyd Wells home in the west part of town, which they recently purchased. Mr. and Mrs. Alex Toot will reside on the Homer Kelly farm vacated by the Zrubeks.

1947

August 1 – Those Ness county fellows who operate combines “that are old enough to vote,” got Ira Mease of near Nashville in on the conversation.

If there is an oldest combine contest, Mease wants in on that, too.

The Nashville farmer has just finished his 22nd

harvest with the same model P. Case machine which has harvested an average of 500 acres per year.

In those 22 harvests, the machine has broken down only twice in the field, Mease said.

The 13th annual St. Leo picnic and dance will be held Tuesday, August 5th at St. Leo, beginning at 3 p.m.

The usual delicious fried chicken and country sausage dinner will be served from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the school gym by the ladies of the church.

The evening’s entertainment besides bingo and other amusement concessions, will feature an outdoor platform dance with Jimmie Koci and his orchestra. Climaxing the evening will be the drawing for a Serval refrigerator and 5 piece chrome breakfast set.

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1952

August 1 – The Community Men’s Club is sponsoring a Community Picnic to be held at Cooley’s Grove on Tuesday evening, August 12. The purpose of this Picnic will be for the entire community to get together and have a good time.

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Cudahy’s Ham, 79c lb.
Cudahy’s Bacon, 47c lb.

1957

August 1 – The 1958 City Budget of Cunningham appears in this week’s issue of the Clipper.

The budget shows almost a mill and a half increase over last year’s tax levy of 18.48 mills. It will require a levy of 19.94 mills to conduct the city’s business during the next year.

There is a slight increase in millage in every fund of the city, general operating, city building, fire fighting, street lighting, and bond and interest.

The city’s water utility fund is the most active of all the city accounts, and the budget shows various transfers from the water utility fund to the other funds, thus reducing the mill levy on the other funds collected by taxes.

Cunningham batters collected 23 hits off four pitches to rack up a 16-14 decision over Wellington in an 11-inning game played at Wellington last Sunday afternoon.

Richard Krug paced the local batting attack with three triples, one double, and a single in six trips to the plate. Dean Mantooth and Jack Theis each collected four hits; Billy Schnittker contributed three hits to the Cunningham cause, and Jack Meyers, Dean Harding, and Elmer Becker each hit safely twice.

1962

August 2 – David Amick of Cunningham, and Jo Beth Waylan of Nashville, returned home last Wednesday evening from a 17-day trip with the United Nations Pilgrimage for Youth, to New York City, Washington, D.C., and other points of historical interest in the eastern states.

The trip is sponsored by the Odd Fellow and Rebekah Lodges, and is a yearly event in which local lodges participate.

Cunningham’s junior baseball team defeated Attica here, Monday evening, by a 6-0 score to finish in a tie for first place in the South Central Junior Baseball League with Attica.

Dennis Theis allowed only one hit, and Mark Maier

and Danny Meyers paced the Cunningham hitting attack.

1967

August 3 – The District Girl’s Slo-Pitch Softball Tournament will begin next Monday evening at St. Leo with a three-game session starting at 7:00 o’clock. Eight teams are entered in the tournament, including Nashville, Zenda, Kingman, Stafford, Bluff City, Harper, St. Leo, and Cunningham.

Our Mayor, Francis Dafforn, is a dedicated man.

Returning late Monday evening from a vacation trip to California, including a day-long drive from Colorado, the Mayor reported to the regular monthly City Council meeting about 10:00 o’clock that evening, setting in the meeting’s closing minutes.

It was the first time during his eight-year tenure as Mayor that Mr. Dafforn had missed a meeting.

K.C. Jones, President of the City Council, served as Acting Mayor during Mr. Dafforn’s absence, and conducted Monday evening’s meeting, during which the Council adopted the proposed city budget for next year, calling for a levy of 27.44 mills to raise \$13,938.04 to operate the city in 1968. The new mill levy is up 1.02 above last year’s rate. Tangible valuation for this year is \$501,600, down \$1,100 from last year’s figure.

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Publisher: Charles G. Barnes

Editor: Joyce Hartmann

Reporter: Florine Kampling

1977

August 4-Lucky Lady was Ruby Eck, Cairo; she climbed out of her wrecked car last Friday with only a scratch on her leg. A semi-trailer truck driver didn’t see her turn signal, hit her car from behind, and it turned over. Friends who saw the accident, The Delmar Hodgkinsons, helped pull tack out of the trunk before firemen wet the car.

Edwin Hart of Armarillo was a Tuesday guest of Mrs. Pearl Walker.

Mrs. Joe Seiwert and Dana are spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Kampling and family and other relatives.

Mrs. Leo Albers was a Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sterneker and sons. Additional afternoon callers were Mr. and Mrs. Ron Albers and Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Albers.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Schnittker and Sarah of California spent ten days with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Schnittker and Robert and attended the reunion of Duane’s class on Sunday.

Mrs. Louise Armstrong and Natasha spent the pat ten days on a vacation. They visited with Greg Shafter, Naperville, Illinois, who took them on a sightseeing tour of Chicago. They then visited with Mrs. Armstrong’s brother, Mr. and Mrs. Gary DeSpain and sons for a week at Sisters Lake, Michigan. While there, they all visited a winery and had a few samples.

Mr. Gene Patton Bloomington, Illinois, came Sunday to visit his mother, Mrs. Bonnie Patton and other relatives and friends.



Mrs. Paul Hageman and Mrs. Melvin Oller were in Wichita Sunday afternoon attending classes on the trend release for fall and winter. The trend features the solar haircut, with hair being longer. Combining waves and curls. Credit hours toward Senior Cosmetology Licenses were given.

Judy Almond has been dismissed from Kingman Hospital. Em Willinger has returned to her home from Pratt Hospital. Virgil Freund is still a patient in Pratt Hospital.

Karen Cornelius and Cheri Mantooth left Sunday to attend Student Council Camp at Emporia State. They will return on Friday.

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Day 15, Kansas Wheat Harvest Report

This is day 15 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.

Kansas farmers made significant progress completing wheat harvest in the last week, including many who spent the holiday weekend in a combine cab. In the weekly Crop Progress and Condition report, USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service noted

83 percent of the wheat crop has been harvested as of July 3, well ahead of 59 percent last year and 65 percent for the five-year average.

Nathan Larson — a one-man show — just started cutting in Riley and Clay counties with his first load delivered to the elevator on July 1.

Larson is averaging about 40 bushels per acre on fields planted to LCS Chrome from Limagrain Cereal Seeds. Overall, Riley County is yielding a bit better around 50 bushels per acre. While he is happy with his fields considering the weather this year, he is concerned about recent rains bringing test weights down, a concern he has heard from several others.

Even though growing conditions have been a bit different this year, Larson reported his harvest schedule is very similar to last year. If the rain holds off, he anticipates he will finish up in just two more days.

Osborne County is now about 80 percent complete with harvest, according to Craig Mans, general manager with Midway Coop in Osborne. Before mid-harvest showers, test weights were averaging 63 pounds per bushel, but now have dropped to 59 pounds per bushel.

Yields range from 20 bushels per acre to 75 bushels per acre with wheat following summer fallow coming in significantly better. Protein

is nothing special with the southern end of the coop’s territory above 12 percent and the northern end below 12 percent. Despite the mixed results, Mans noted wheat harvest is better than expected.

“Considering in April we didn’t even know if we would have a crop, most people are pretty happy,” he said.

Harvest in Sheridan County should also wrap-up by the end of this week, according to David Brooks with Hi-Plains Coop Association in Selden. The coop took in their first load on June 20, which puts harvest on a normal pace, thanks to newer combines and a slight decrease in wheat acres.

“Harvest is moving along with a break from a shower here or there that is very welcome,” Brooks said. “Overall, it’s going very smooth.”

Yields are averaging around 40 to 45 bushels per acre, but with a wide range from top to bottom depending on how much moisture the field received. The lowest yield so far was 1.1 bushels per acre from a field that received only 1.5 inches of moisture in the last 10 months. In contrast, the high yield thus far is 75 bushels per acre on wheat following summer fallow that caught some rain.


Protein has been average, but test weights have been excellent. The coop is averaging 61 pounds per bushel and

test weights are staying steady even with little rains throughout harvest.

“Everything is going good, and everyone is pretty happy,” Brooks said. “We can’t ask for anything more than Mother Nature has given us.”

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Written by Julia Debes for Kansas Wheat



Day 16, Kansas Wheat Harvest Report

This is day 16 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.

Kansas producers are wrapping up their harvest in far western counties, while farmers wait out humidity to continue cutting in the north-central region.

Adrian Polansky has been harvesting since June 28 in Republic County near Cuba, a few days later than normal. Polansky Seed, Inc. has

about half their wheat out of the field, and he estimates at least another week left of cutting, depending on rain.

He is happy with this year’s crop, averaging 75 bushels per acre. Polansky is happy with the decision he made in the 1980s to spray fungicide. He notes the practice is paying off with beautiful, picturesque wheat fields.

Varieties planted included Polansky Seed’s Rockstar and Paradise as well as AgriPro/Syngenta’s AP Bigfoot and SY Wolverine. Rockstar is the most popular and is having the best performance this year.

Only two producers have a few more truckloads to deliver and then harvest will be complete around Hill City in Graham County, accord-

ing to Daryl Popp with Frontier Ag Inc. While harvest went well, acres in the area were down quite a bit, so total bushels taken in were also down substantially.

Popp reported harvest had a wide range between pretty good and pretty poor. Yields ranged from 89 bushels per acre to basically nothing, with most farmers averaging 35 to 45 bushels per acre. Proteins also saw a wide range from eight percent to 15 percent. While the average is sitting around 11 to 11.5 percent, Popp noted the elevator saw a lot more low protein wheat than high protein.

Test weights stayed excellent at 60 to 62 pounds per bushel, with a few loads coming in up to 64 pounds per bushel. Popp said that the main factor influencing the

crop’s success or disappointment was rainfall, but crop rotations also played a major role in the crop’s development.

The Kansas wheat harvest is also finishing across the draw area of Skyland Grain, according to Matt Overturf, the executive vice president for grain marketing. Overturf is based in the Johnson location in Stanton County, but Skyland Grain covers a wide swath of the western portion of the state.

With a pretty big draw area, wheat harvest was truly a mixed bag. Overturf noted the southwest corner of Kansas was the worst — only cutting 25 to 30 percent of the crop. Dryland wheat, when not insured out before harvest, only yielded around 15 bushels per acre. It was not a

good year for irrigated wheat either in this area with yields averaging between 50 and 60 bushels per acre.

In the northern part of the region, up toward Hamilton and north, dryland yields improved to 30 to 40 bushels per acre. The eastern portion of the draw area near Cunningham only took in two-thirds of a crop, but Overturf said it had excellent quality.

Overall test weights held on throughout rain showers that knocked down the average to 58 pounds per bushel. Before the storms, test weights were averaging 62 to 63 pounds per bushel.

“We can’t complain about the quality across the area,” he said.


Overturf reported the western part of the state

normally has some protein and this year’s levels are higher than normal. The wheat didn’t get a lot of help from Mother Nature and some areas west of Stanton County went more than 300 days without a rain event over a quarter of an inch.

Despite the impact of drought, he noted this year’s wheat should be a product that will find an end market from both domestic milling and export destinations.

“The Kansas crop is certainly a smaller crop than normal, but we’re going to have good domestic demand,” he said. “We just need some export demand to go with it.”

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Day 17, Kansas Wheat Harvest Report

This is day 17 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.

Northwest and portions of north central Kansas are still fighting moisture levels on their journey to wrap up wheat harvest, while most of the rest of the state is nearly finished.

Dani Zwegardt with ADM Grain in Goodland, reports that harvest is about half way done. Some of their farmers are finishing up, while others are waiting to get in the field due to high moisture levels. Wednesday night they received one-half to one inch of rain throughout Sherman County.

Harvest near Oakley flew by due to very dry wheat, while Goodland stayed on track with the previous year, taking in their first load on June 28. A majority of the dry land wheat has been harvested, while they’re waiting on the irrigated wheat.

Zwegardt said Brewster has been very slow this year, with a

steady flow but no super busy days at the elevator. There has been fluctuation on the load intake of surrounding elevators.

ADM Goodland has been averaging 12.9 protein and seeing yields between five and 50 bushels per acre, with an average of 30 bushels per acre. If there is one thing their farmers are happy with, it’s their test weights. The average has been 62.6 pounds per bushel for local farmers.

Overall, farmers are happier with their crop than they thought they would be. Zwegardt anticipates they still have a couple weeks of harvest left.

Brian Linin of Goodland started four combines up and running in the field last Thursday. Some overcast weather and high moisture have kept them out of the field at times, but they have still been making progress. He estimates they have a week to 10 days left.

While weather hasn’t been in their favor, overall he is still happy with this year’s crop. He said they didn’t have to tear up any wheat, but the crop is not as good as last year. Varieties that have done well for Linin are WestBred’s WB Grainfield, Kansas Wheat Alliance’s KS Western Star and PlainsGold’s Langin.

Linin reports his average yield is 40 bushels

per acre. Proteins are 13 to 14 percent, and test weights range from 59 to 63 pounds per bushel.

Erik Lange, Executive Vice President and chief operating officer of MKC, says their more than 50 locations across Kansas are about 95 percent complete with this year’s harvest.

He said, overall harvest has gone really well.

Yields are highly variable throughout their entire trade territory, ranging from zeroed out to 80 bushels per acre on hard winter wheat, with an average of about 35 bushels per acre. On soft red winter, yields were less variable, ranging from 45 to 120 bushels per acre, with an average of 60 bushels per acre.

Harvest began on June 9 and the main area that

is still incomplete is near Salina at the northern end of their territory, where they are currently on rain delay for the third or fourth day.

Overall, acres of both hard red winter and soft red winter were up about five to seven percent across the trade territory. With increased acres and decent yields, soft red winter bushels taken in will be similar to last year, maybe even a bit more, but hard red winter bushels are only about 75 to 80 percent of last year.

“Probably some of the biggest challenges were just the variability in crop and trying to figure out what was coming at us on a day to day basis,” said Lange.

He reported the hard red wheat quality was fantastic, with an average

test weight of 61 pounds per bushel and a little over 12 percent protein across the trade territory. Soft red winter wheat quality is slightly above average as well.

“There was some disease pressure, not as high as previous years, but those that applied fungicide did see a benefit from it,” he said.

With so many varieties across the territory, Lange said they try to promote finding the right variety for the right acre. They are offering the MKC Grain Exchange Program, which provides an opportunity for farmers to transfer bushels of their 2022 wheat crop to MKC in exchange for Certified seed wheat for 2023.

“We do know that Certified seeds do make

a difference in yield, long term,” said Lange.

With an excellent quality crop, Lange said, “We really saw early on there wasn’t a lot of export demand in the early part of harvest, but we have seen that demand picking up.”

He said so far MKC has already bought about half of the crop from their customers, which is about 10 percent more than normal for this time of year.

“Thankfully farmers were taking advantage of the good prices early and getting crops sold,” he said.

Written by Marsha Boswell, Vice President of Communications

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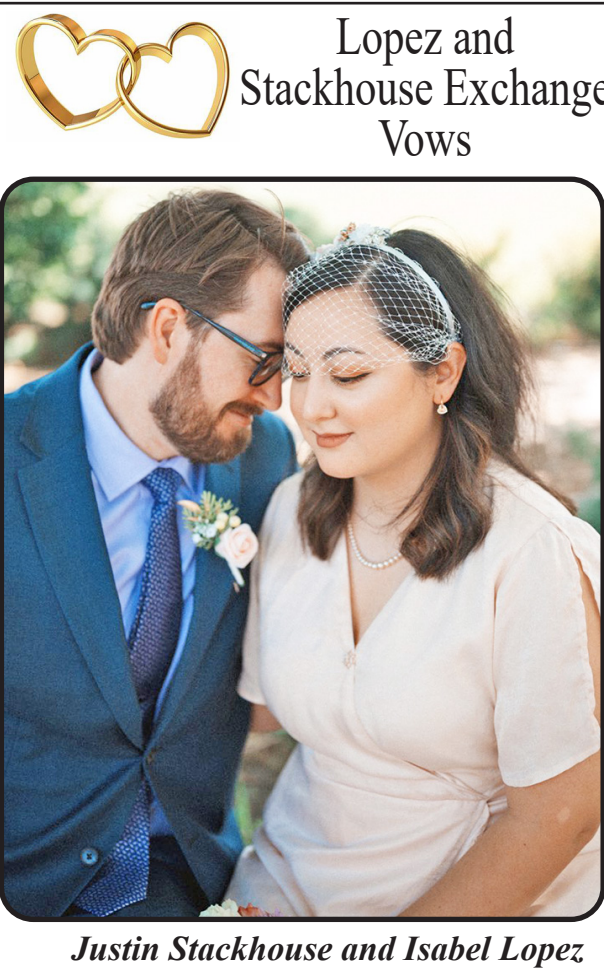
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Isabel Lopez and Justin Stackhouse were wed Friday, June 24, 2022, in Wichita, Kansas. Isabel is a graduate of Wichita North High School and Wichita State University and works as a graphic designer. Her parents, Julian Lopez and Isabel Ibarra Vega, make their home in Alvaro Obregón, Durango, Mexico, near Julian’s parents.

Justin is a graduate of Cunningham High School, Hutchinson Community College, and K-State. He is employed by the University of North Texas in information technology. He is the son of Bob and Mary Stackhouse, Cunningham, and the grandson of Marilyn Smiley of Stafford.


Currently at home in Wichita, the couple plans to move soon to Denton, TX, where they will continue with their current vocations and Justin will enter graduate school.

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620- 886-3397

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Cell: 620-886-0911



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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



Letter to the Editor

My Pro-life Journey

It was a dreary noon, school recess on the Cunningham Grade School playground. I quietly and privately asked my older friend what an abortion was, the answer she gave me was forthright and to the point. She had had time to process the grisly inhumane information. I was SHOCKED! She let me know by not only her words, but the look on her face, that she was feeling everything I was—disgust, disapproval, sadness, shock, fear, and so much more. Evidently I had heard the word on the nightly news and instinctively knew that it was a serious subject, deadly serious!

Fifty years later I still feel all those emotions poignantly! Proverbs 31:8,9 says, “Speak out on behalf of the voiceless, and for the rights of all who are vulnerable. Speak out in order to judge with righteousness and to defend the needy and the poor.” I believe that God would have me speak for those who have no voice, who are vulnerable, poor, and needy. In a healthy society the strong protect the weak!

As a young mother of age twenty-five, I was almost halfway through my third pregnancy. My

doctor asked my permission to perform a new blood test called an AFP (amino fetal protein.) I agreed naively, knowing very little about the test, other than the fact that abnormally high protein levels in the mother’s blood might indicate that the baby she was carrying could have spina-bifida. A couple of weeks later, my doctor called me and told me that he had some very bad news. To this day I know exactly where I was and can mentally transport myself back to the place and time that I received that phone call. My test had come back abnormal, the first since he had been administering it for the past six months. My protein levels were abnormally low rather than high, which could mean that my baby was mentally retarded, etc. He made all of the arrangements to connect me with a geneticist at Wesley Hospital in Wichita, on December 3, 1986. The first appointment of the day was with Dr. Cho, a chromosome specialist that spoke very broken English; however, the one word that we clearly understood was ABORTION. He used it repeatedly! Russ and I told him that that wasn’t an option for us. We would love and care for the baby that God gave us no matter what! Dr. Cho started to argue with us, but could sense that we were more determined than he was. Russ and I would spend most of that day at Wesley being shifted from high-tech sonograms to blood tests to an amniocentesis (which we later found out had the potential to severely harm our baby!)

On Christmas Eve I got one of the best gifts ever, which was a call telling me that our baby was healthy. We could have found out the sex of the baby as well, but chose not to.

Today, that “baby” is our vibrant , healthy, talented, thoughtful, beautiful thirty-five year old daughter, Megan. Had we listened to Dr. Cho’s grim predictions and threats, we would have missed out on our Megan, knowing her dear husband, Jordan, and our four precious grandchildren, Saylor, Crew, Morgan,

and Allie!

Fear and selfishness could have robbed us! Thanks be to God that He gave us the strength and determination to stand strong! No matter what, every life is a blessing and a gift from Him!

At Megan’s six month check up I finally summoned up the courage to recount to our beloved Dr. Dan what we went through that day at Wesley and the following three weeks of waiting. I wanted him to know the level of emotional anguish that we experienced to possibly spare or at least prepare the next family who had an abnormal test result. With Megan in my arms, looking at her while telling my story, I looked over at Dr. Dan, who was openly weeping. He said something that I will never forget. He said that we had come to a place in time where our technology had surpassed our human ability to comprehend and handle the results of it. He was genuinely sorry for the stress that we had endured!

Unfortunately, a handful of my dearest friends have had abortions. To protect their anonymity, I won’t go into details other than to say that after 45 years none of them have ever “gotten over it!” Regret. Remorse.Self-Loathing. Addictions.Brokenness.

Younger children of theirs that know that they could have, should have had an older sibling to know, love, and grow up with. Some of them were driven to the abortion clinics by their very own mothers! Emotional pain without end or measure!

I attended my brother-in-law’s 50th birthday party when I was expecting my seventh child, Beau. Sitting across from me was an attractive older woman, well-dressed, perfect makeup, stylish hair do, etc. I was dressed in a modest maternity dress. It was the classic country mouse-city mouse scenario. I thought she was beautiful, until I heard her talk sarcastically and flippantly about being pro-abortion. My heart started racing, I knew that I should speak up, but I was at my brother-in-law’s birthday party! I didn’t want to

make a scene and make him feel embarrassed or dishonored. So, I dismissed myself, so that I couldn’t hear her anymore. I WANTED to ask her which method she preferred, dismemberment, partial birth, or saline solution. But, I knew that if I verbally engaged her, one of us would leave crying... and it wouldn’t be me!!! Physical engagement did briefly cross my mind too...

So here we are, friends, at a cross roads of life and death. If we vote “yes”, abortion will not be illegal, unfortunately, but it will be limited. If not, we will be in the top three states, or even The Top State for nearly unlimited abortions! If the status quo is upheld, it is estimated that Kansas will go from having 7,000 abortions a year to over 100,000 per year. We will be an abortion destination! Is that really what we want to be known for? KFL.org has all the particulars, what our vote will do, what it won’t do.

Abortions aren’t safe for ANYONE! The babies certainly aren’t safe, the physical, emotional, and mental states of the mothers are not! So who benefits? Is it the money? Planned Parenthood, the world’s largest abortion mill, made 1.3 BILLION dollars in 2020.

Is the best solution ever murder? Why are we so sterile in our terminology? Abortion =Murder Fetus=Baby.

I miscarried a 7-8 week old baby on December 16, 2002. I saw its tiny head and fingers and toes. There was and still is grief because it was and is my child! I count it along with the rest of my children because though its days were few, it is an eternal soul who was cherished and made in the image of his or her Creator, “fearfully and wonderfully made.”(Psalm 139:14)

So, I implore you to vote “Yes” on August 2nd. “I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live. (Deuteronomy 30:19)

Sincerely, and with love,
Karen Cornelius Eck

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Minutes from Kingman County Commission for July 18th, 2022

Chairman Foley called the Board of County Commissioners meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. on July 18th in the County Commissioners room at the Kingman County Courthouse. Present: 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; Extension Board Members; Mike Floyd; Susan Floyd; Keith Bergkamp; Aliesa Woods, K-State Research Online Visitors: Trisha Rose; Extension; Caller 01; Caller 02; Caller 03
Staff: Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer; LaDawn Stegman, Financial Officer; Linda Langley, Internal Auditor; Mendy Frampton, Expo Center Director; Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director.

Chairman Foley asked if there were any additions to the agenda.
Chairman Foley wanted to add discussion of the FLAP project during Charles Arensdorf’s time.
MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the agenda with the addition of discussion of the FLAP project during Mr. Arensdorf’s time. Commissioner Henning seconded the

motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.
The County Clerk submitted the minutes of the July 11th, 2022 Commission meeting for approval.
MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the July 11th, 2022 Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.
Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer was in to let the Commissioners know that she has opened a new checking account for the self-insured insurance plan at KANZA Bank. This account will be for making payments on self-funding.
Ms. Luntsford needed documents signed for the new account with KANZA Bank.
Ms. Luntsford discussed that the new tax sale for this year has begun its process. There were 10 parcels for the tax sale originally but two have been paid leaving 8 parcels on the tax sale.
Linda Langley, Internal Auditor and LaDawn Stegman, Financial Officer were in to recap the 2023 County Budget and the requests that the Commissioners had asked to change from last meeting.
Commissioners discussed future road projects will Ms. Langley and Ms. Stegman along with possibly paying down some bond debt.
Ms. Langley reviewed budgets by department with the Commissioners.
Ms. Langley let the Commissioners know that the amount of budget expenditures for the 2023 budget is \$13,276,710

with the amount of taxes to levy being \$7,753,946 which is an estimated tax levy of 65.499.
Ms. Langley explained that the levy is higher than the RNR (Revenue Neutral Rate) but lower than last years mill levy of 68.256.
The Commissioners discussed the levy and decided the RNR (Revenue Neutral Rate) Hearing will be August 22, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Commission Room of the Courthouse and the County Budget Hearing will be after.
Mendy Frampton, Expo Center Director was in to discuss 38 panels that need to be repaired and she sent out for bid.
She received a bid from Curt Mertens in the amount of \$2,855.00 to fix the panels.
MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to accept the bid from Curt Mertens in the amount of \$2,855.00 to repair 38 panels. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.
Ms. Frampton discussed the electrical for the barn.
Commissioners and Ms. Frampton discussed the barn and the electrical on two barns but would like to know what is needed from the 4-H.
Ms. Frampton submitted a report on the Community Service hours to the Commissioners.
Ms. Frampton explained that she will need help to put the stalls back and she may not have enough community service to help.
Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director was in to let the Commissioners know

that she talked with Zenda City and they are interested in the program but will have to look at their budget.
Ms. Schrag also discussed that Norwich City wanting to apply for the Façade program to fix the front of the Dotzour Community Center.
Commissioners agreed that Norwich City could apply for the Façade Program.
Ms. Schrag presented flyers for the Kingman County Housing Summit to the Commissioners letting them know that it will be held on August 3, 2022, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Kingman Expo Center with dinner provided.
Commissioners let Ms. Schrag know that they would attend and asked who all was invited.
Ms. Schrag gave the Commissioners a list of contractors that she had put together.
Commissioners discussed the list of contractors with Ms. Schrag and gave some contact numbers for contractors to contact.
Stan Goets, HR was in to submit new hire sheets for signatures.
Mr. Goetz informed the Commissioners that Hinkle Law Firm will update the plan benefit book to incorporate the new self-funding health plan.
Mr. Goetz discussed that the flex spending per IRS changes has gone up to \$2,850.00 per year with available carry over of \$570.00 but they would need to make a motion to approve the County flex plan to allow for these changes.
MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to up the Flex Spending to \$2,850.00 per year with a carry over allowable of \$570.00. Commissioner

Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.
Mr. Goetz discussed that his computer is not running properly and asked for a quote from Integris for a new computer.
The quote received was for \$1129.79.
MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the quote from Integris for \$1129.79 to purchase a new computer. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.
Mr. Goetz submitted the minutes from the department head meeting held on July 11th, 2022, for their review.
Mr. Goetz received correspondence from a landowner in Vinita township with a complaint about access to their property.
Brandon Ritcha, County Counselor suggested letting the landowner know to get legal counsel to discuss this matter with.
Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in with an update on FAS 13 bridge and showed pictures on the finished bridge.
Mr. Arensdorf updated the Commissioners on the Onyx seal coat and that it will be mobilized on July 27th.
Chairman Foley and the board discussed the FLAP project with Mr. Arensdorf.
Mr. Arensdorf submitted the yearly solid waste hauling permits for TW Rolloffs, Waste Connections, Nisly Brothers, Inc, T & W Meats Co. and Stutzman Refuse Disposal Inc.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the yearly solid waste hauling permits submitted. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.
Aliesha Woods, K-State Research was in with Keith Bergkamp and Extension Board Members to discuss the Extension Council Budget for 2023.
Mr. Bergkamp let the Commissioners know that the Board had gotten together and discussed the Extension budget.
The Board discussed giving back \$70,000.00 of the budget received as they have been down one extension agent and now their second agent.
Commissioners didn’t know if that would be the way so they asked Ms. Langley and Ms. Stegman to come back to the meeting to discuss the process.
Ms. Langley discussed the options available.
Commissioners and the Extension Board discussed the Fair.
Commissioners discussed the Capital Improvement Funds.
Commissioner Thimesch let the board know that he has talked with the City about the 54 project meeting and that two of the City Commissioners would be attending along with himself.
MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 12:25 p.m. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Minutes from the Pratt County Commission Meeting on July 11th, 2022

The Pratt County commissioners met in regular session Monday, July 11, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. in the commissioner room, 1st floor of the courthouse. The following members were present: Rick N. Shriver, Thomas W. Jones III, Dwight Adams, Tyson Eisenhauer, county counselor, Lori Voss, county clerk and Mark Graber, IT director.
Heather Morgan, economic development/COVID consultant, attended a webinar and gave an update on the state of Kansas daycare bonuses. \$750 to \$2500 per child care professional, licensed day care, early head start and early education workers could qualify. Other daycares that are run under a school district are not eligible. The letters from the governor have not gone out, they will be sent out in a staggered fashion. Each individual person has to go onto a state

portal to apply for these bonuses themselves. If they need help with rules and guidance, they can contact her.
She stated up to 100,000 Kansas residents could qualify. There is possibly another federal bill coming to the state for infrastructure. She is assisting with the sam’s renewal.
Chairman Shriver asked about the daycare bonuses, if it is past or current workers. She stated they must be employed during a date window. Economic development will be meeting this week to review another façade application and meeting the new chamber director Ashley Smith.
Tim Branscom, emergency manager/zoning, presented quotes on three desktop computers for weather spotting at the new building. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to approve the purchase of three desktop computers from Dell in the amount of \$2,695.08 to be paid out of ARPA funds. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.
Chairman Adams commented they need to stop spending money for

items at the new building. He also presented a job description for his position, since he will be retiring the first part of 2023. He stated he will be off a few days next week.
Commissioner Shriver presented a certificate of completion for the new building, dated June 30, 2022. He has contacted Strong’s Insurance for coverage. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to sign the certificate of substantial completion. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.
Brian Atteberry, EMS director, asked about the weeds around the building. Commissioner Shriver said they had been sprayed. He presented a pay slip for a part time EMT, Stephanie Holmes. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to hire Stephanie Holmes for part time EMT at \$13.50 per hour. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.
Tyson requested a fifteen-minute executive session to discuss attorney/client matter concerning a letter received from another attorney.
Commissioner Shriver made a motion to recess into executive session at

2:25 p.m. for fifteen minutes to discuss attorney/client matter, concerning a letter received from another attorney to return at 2:40 p.m.. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Jones made a motion to return from executive session at 2:36 p.m. with no action taken. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to recess into executive session at 2:37 p.m. for fifteen minutes to discuss a non-elected personnel matter and to return at 2:52 p.m. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Jones made a motion to return from executive session at 2:49 p.m. with no action taken. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.
He reported at the end of August the company that has programs for schedules, time clock, truck checks, protocols and communications is coming up for renewal, he plans to replace with connect team for \$1900.00 annually.
Doug freund, road/lake supervisor, presented

a form from FEMA in the amount of \$290,693.79, that he will be receiving in the near future. Tyson stated the road project fund could be used on the NE 30th Street repairs. He presented a list of items he wants to put on Purple Wave. He stated the highest value of any item would be \$5000. The light at Highway 61 and NW 20th Street was discussed. KDOT will need to issue a permit. He has put in a work order. He met with Jamie Huber, City of Pratt, he has started the process of getting a yard light at the corner of Hwy 54 and NE 20th Avenue for the new building. He presented a quote to remove and replace two doors and frames at the county shop that are rusted out. He had a quote from JA Knight in the amount of \$8,915.
Commissioner Shriver made a motion to approve the purchase of two doors and installation from JA Knight in the amount of \$8,915. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. He reported there are storage buildings that have roof damage and rotting lumber. Also, the round top roof needs

repair. He presented a quote from Mainstream Roofing, in the amount of \$88,350.00, AR Roofing quoted each building separately. Commissioner Jones made a motion to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes at 3:09 p.m. to return at 3:24 p.m. to discuss an attorney/client matter to discuss repairs at the road shop buildings. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Jones made a motion to return from executive session at 3:23 pm with no action taken. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to approve the roof repair at the main road building from AR Roofing in the amount of \$24,162.87. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the lean-to roof repair from AR Roofing in the amount of \$775.01. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.
The Fourth of July at
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the lake was discussed. There will be meetings before the Fourth event in 2023. Chairman Adams questioned if the people that lost their houses to fire were staying at the lake, he would like to cut them a break in camping fees. Chairman Adams made a motion to waive the camping fees for the Mendenhall family until August 31, 2022. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Darcie Vander Vyver,

health director, gave a COVID update. The schools have been reaching out for guidelines on isolation and COVID requirements. She stated her contracted ARPN is not renewing her contract. She has been in contact with Pratt Family Practice about being able to contract their part time for one day at the health department. She reported on monkeypox in Kansas. She reported the executive meeting for the coalition will be this Friday, 9-12.

Chairman Adams called for a five-minute break at 3:39 p.m. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to return at 3:42 p.m. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the minutes from July 5, 2022. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Tyson reported on the appraisal from Milford Appraisal. He went over a resolution draft to waive reviews for survey plats, all other reviews can be done by any professional surveyor. Resolution 07112022 was read by Tyson, it will replace Resolution 040504. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to replace Resolution

405004 with Resolution 071122 concerning reviews by surveyors and adopt Resolution 071122. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

He stated he had forwarded an email from Scot Loyd, accountant, stating to recess until July 18, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. to discuss budgets.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve payment vouchers for July 11, 2022. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Adams discussed a program that Integreen uses to track their vehicles. He thought maybe this could be help-

ful for RSVP buses. He will contact Tara with the information.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to recess at 4:13 p.m. until Monday, July 18, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. to discuss budgets with Scot Loyd, accountant. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting recessed at 4:13 p.m.

The Pratt County commissioners met in recessed session Monday, July 18, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. iIn the commissioner room, 1st floor of the courthouse. The following members were

Present: Rick N. Shriver, Thomas W. Jones III, Dwight Adams,

Tyson Eisenhower, county counselor, Lori Voss, county clerk, Mark Graber, ITdirector, and Scot Lloyd, accountant, Loyd group, LLC.

The 2023 budgets were discussed and reviewed with Scot Loyd. Some changes were made, discussed making other changes at a later date.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to adjourn at 12:03 p.m. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned.

On hot days wear sunscreen,...

...sunglasses and light-colored clothing.

Kids: color stuff in!

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Dog Days of Summer

Hot, sticky days that make us sweat! Days when nothing seems to be happening...**dog days of summer!**

Dog days are here when the Dog Star, Sirius, appears over the horizon just before sunrise. At one time, people who were superstitious thought Sirius drove dogs mad in the heat of the summer. Sirius shines with a bluish-white light. It is the brightest star in our sky besides our sun. Sirius is in the constellation Canis Major, the Great Dog. Try to keep cool!

Tips to Keep Cool:

- drink lots of water
- visit an air-conditioned library or mall
- slow down
- keep shades drawn
- use fans
- wear light-colored clothing

Where I live we have hot summers. We are used to the heat, but lately it's been **too hot**. I've been feeling as sick as a dog. **Woof!**

Did you know that dogs don't sweat the way humans do? Although dogs have a few sweat glands, they cool off mainly by panting.

A star is called a "sun" if it is in the center of a solar system.

1. _____ are tossing and turning, trying to sleep.

2. pesky _____ are buzzing and biting.

3. _____ are wilting from lack of rain.

4. air conditioners hum and _____ whirl.

5. garbage and trash _____ are smelling bad!

6. _____ is parched because there is a drought.

7. chocolate _____ are melting.

8. _____ is protecting our skin from the sun's rays.

9. bicycle _____ are sinking into heated tar.

10. our _____ is running overtime to keep food cold.

11. our bare _____ are cooling on the green grass.

12. our _____ is sweating to cool our bodies.

The **hottest** place in the U.S. is Death Valley (CA, NV). Temperatures there have been recorded above 130 degrees F.

Sorry about the intense heat!

I don't understand why these blisteringly hot days are called the "dog days of summer." I'm so miserable!

Sighting the Dog Star

Start What stars can you see where you live?

Help us find our way to see the Dog Star, Sirius!

Finish

It's Hot! It's Sweltering!

How many different words do you know that help you to express **how hot it is**? Fill in the blanks below with letters from the key to spell out 12 different ways to describe the temperature rising.

I hum along to keep food cold, such as iced tea, ice cubes and frozen treats! Who am I?

1. bl _ ste _ in _

2. s _ o _ chi _ g

3. _ oa _ t _ ng

4. _ ca _ _ ing

5. s _ el _ eri _ g

6. b _ r _ i _ g

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Colors of Heat, Danger and Warning!

The color red is bright. It is sometimes used to communicate heat or danger. The color yellow is cheerful and warm. It is sometimes used to warn or protect. **Put a circle on items that are often yellow. Draw an "X" on items that are often red. Then, below each picture, mark the box that tells what the color means.**

☐ a warning

☐ warm and fuzzy

☐ you must stop your car

☐ a friendly wink

☐ is hot

☐ is smiling

☐ a warning at a crossroad

☐ a greeting

☐ so it is cheerful

☐ so it is easily seen in traffic

Safety items are often made with light or bright colors: white, yellow, orange and red. Circle "yes" or "no" for the statements below:

- Fire trucks are often red or yellow. **yes no**
- Hard hats are often yellow or bright orange. **yes no**
- Guide lines on roads are pink or green. **yes no**

(Answers on page 10)

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Getting Water to a Kenyan Village



The Lions' Club and the United Methodist Churches of Cunningham and Penalosa continue their fundraising efforts to bring water to the village of Kakindu, Kenya.

Because of the severe drought in Kenya, the village water supply is no longer potable, and the next closest place to get water is 15 miles away. The local group decided to pay for water to be brought to the town via a truck until the well could be dug. The water from the truck is then loaded into three large black tanks. From the tanks the villagers can fill the yellow containers and carry them home -- either walking, using donkeys or occasionally, on a motorbike. This is done twice a week.

They do still have to carry water from the mostly dried up watering hole to their homes to water their animals and vegetation.

The first of the well-drilling money was transferred from Ninnescah Valley Bank to Kenya this week. A well should be operable within a few weeks.

The group is still accepting donations for future wells. You can mail your donations to the Lions' Club, P.O. Box 95, Cunningham, KS 67035.

Kingman County Humane Society Pets Ready for Adoption

Curley

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Male Domestic Shorthair
Weight: 2.1 pounds
Age: 4 weeks
Adoption Fee: \$75.00
Intake Date: May 2, 2022

You or your business can sponsor a Humane Society pet for \$10.00 a week per pet. Fifty percent of the profits will be donated to the Humane Society.

Jack

Sponsored by Baker Accounting



Male Pointer, German Shorthaired/Hound
Weight: 60 lbs
Age: 1 year/8 months
Adoption Fee: \$180.00
Intake Date: June 10, 2022

Good with other dogs; People friendly
If you haven't met this pooch, you don't know Jack. He's a personal trainer, alarm clock, security system, dishwasher, land rover, and back massager. He's a Jack of All Trades. Great fun-loving family dog!

Diesel

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Because Steve recently asked about Diesel...
Male Retriever, Yellow Labrador
Weight: 42 lbs
Adoption Fee: \$150
Intake Date: January 23, 2021
Diesel is blind but don't tell him that. His favorite game is tracking his ball and he can find it almost anywhere, even underwater. Loves squeaky toys too. He's a pretty easy keeper and adapts well to new situations. Has lots of energy and would love to have a fenced in area where he could run around a little.

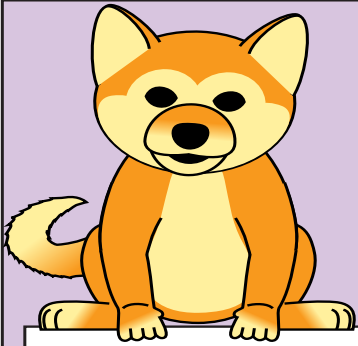
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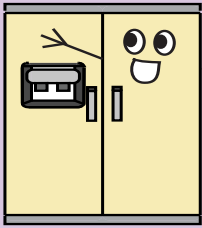
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"I always imagined that cats were the Paris Hiltons of the pet world: They didn't quite deserve all the attention but they got it anyway."
— Sarah Andersen, Big Mushy Happy Lump



- Tips to Keep Cool:
- drink lots of water
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 - slow down
 - keep shades drawn
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 - wear light-colored clothing

Who Am I? I keep your food cold!



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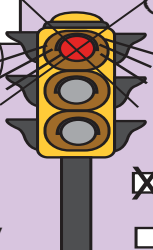
It's Hot! It's Sweltering!

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| 1. blistering | 7. fiery |
| 2. scorching | 8. sizzling |
| 3. roasting | 9. tropical |
| 4. scalding | 10. boiling |
| 5. sweltering | 11. searing |
| 6. burning | 12. torrid |

Colors of Heat, Danger and Warning!



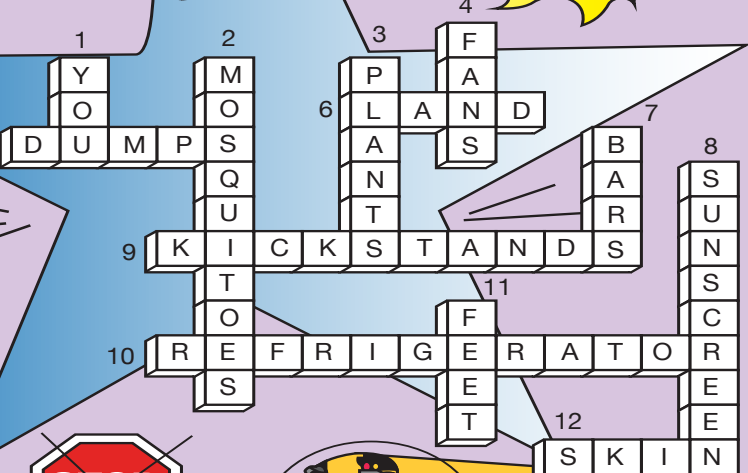
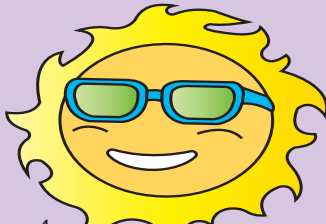
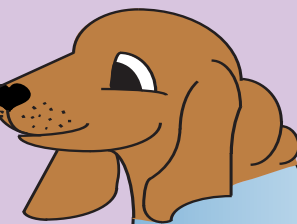
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☒ so it is easily seen in traffic

Minutes from the Pratt County Commission Meeting on July 18th, 2022

The Pratt County commissioners met in regular session Monday, July 18, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. iIn the commis-sioner room, 1st floor of the courthouse. The fol-lowing members were present: Rick N. Shriver, Thomas W. Jones III, Dwight Adams, Tyson Eisenhauer, county coun-selor, Lori Voss, county

clerk and Mark Graber, IT director.

Heather Morgan, economic development/ COVID consultant, re-ported APEX contract will be locating in DeSoto, Kansas. Department of Commerce is looking at other locations for supply chains for the new APEX plant. The Panasonic plant will em-ploy 4000, the supply network could employ another 4000. Average wages of 60,000. The benefits will exceed the incentives to bring APEX to Kansas. There are oth-er companies looking at Kansas for distributing

and manufacturing. The federal/state government do not have enough em-ployees to maintain the grants. She reported the office of the fire marshal now has \$1.2 million available in grant money. The grant can cover any PPE, cost of the fire-fighters physical, pay for the junior firefighter program, self-contained breathing apparatuses, jacket, pants, boots, a washing machine that is an extractor that can be shared by other depart-ments. She believes all fire departments that ap-ply will receive grants. She has offered to assist

all the fire departments with filling out the re-quired forms. Each de-partment will need to get quotes on the equipment they are needing. She will send information to be distributed to all the fire departments. The deadline is September 1, 2022.

Economic develop-ment met last week, awarded N’Cahoots a façade grant.

Catherine Rohrer, SCKCCA director, pre-sented her quarterly ad-justment request for the state, Chairman Adams

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<p>PRIMARY ELECTION NOTICE</p> <p>STATE OF KANSAS</p> <p>COUNTY OF KINGMAN</p> <p>I, Carol D Noblit, County Election Officer of Kingman County, Kansas, do hereby certify that in accordance with the petitions and declarations of intentions to become candidates on file in the County Clerk’s Office, that the following named persons for the respective offices as indicated below are entitled to a place on the official ballot in the Primary Election to be held on the 2nd day of August, 2022.</p> <p>REPUBLICAN TICKET:</p> <p><u>NATIONAL OFFICES</u></p> <p>UNITED STATES SENATE:</p> <p>JOAN FARR, P.O. Box 14, DERBY, KS 67037</p> <p>JERRY MORAN, 2400 Sumac Dr., Manhattan, KS 66502</p> <p>UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, 4TH DISTRICT:</p> <p>RON ESTES, P.O. Box 782952, WICHITA, 67278</p> <p><u>STATE OFFICES</u></p> <p>FOR GOVERNOR/ LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR:</p> <p>ARLYN BRIGGS/LANCE BERLAND, 24969 SW 130th Rd, Kincaid, KS 66039</p> <p>DEREK SCHMIDT, Independence/ KATIE SAWYER, McPherson PO Box 4050, Topeka, KS 66604</p> <p>FOR SECRETARY OF STATE:</p> <p>MIKE BROWN, 13451 Ballentine St., Overland Park, KS 66213</p> <p>SCOTT J. SCHWAB, 10940 Parallel Pkwy Ste K #246, Kansas City, KS 66109</p> <p>FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL:</p> <p>TONY MATTIVI, 3118 SW Muirfield Court, Topeka, KS 66614</p> <p>KELLIE WARREN, 14505 Falmouth Street, Leawood, KS 66224</p> <p>KRIS KOBACH, P.O. Box 155, Lecompton, KS 66050</p> <p>F O R S T A T E TREASURER:</p> <p>STEVEN JOHNSON, 10197 S Hopkins Road, Assaria, KS 67416</p> <p>CARYN TYSON, P.O. Box 191, Parker, KS 66072</p> <p>FOR COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE:</p> <p>VICKI SCHMIDT, 5906 SW 43rd Ct., Topeka, KS 66610</p> <p>F O R S T A T E REPRESENTATIVE, 114TH DISTRICT:</p> <p>MICHAEL MURPHY, 35810 W Greenfield Rd, Sylvia, KS 67581</p> <p>FOR MEMBER, STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, 7TH DISTRICT:</p> <p>DENNIS HERSHBERGER, 8812 S Halstead St., Hutchinson, KS 67501</p> <p>BEN JONES, 217 E Main St., Sterling, KS 67579</p> <p><u>COUNTY OFFICES</u></p> <p>F O R C O U N T Y COMMISSIONER 1ST</p>	<p>DISTRICT:</p> <p>LARRY LANDWEHR, 9548 NE 20th St., Murdock, KS 67111</p> <p>HEATHER KINSLER, 1226 N Spruce St., Kingman, KS 67068</p> <p>PATRICK J. ELPERS, 15371 NE 50th St., Cheney, KS 67025</p> <p>TOWNSHIP OFFICES:</p> <p>ALLEN TOWNSHIP CLERK:</p> <p>THEODORE HALL, 16155 SE 110 St., Norwich, KS 67118</p> <p>BELMONT TOWNSHIP CLERK:</p> <p>PETER CLOUSE, 4738 SW 90 St., Kingman, KS 67068</p> <p>BENNETT TOWNSHIP CLERK: NO FILINGS</p> <p>CANTON TOWNSHIP CLERK:</p> <p>TIM ALLENDER, 13565 SE 90th Ave, Kingman, KS 67068</p> <p>CHIKASKIA TOWNSHIP CLERK:</p> <p>LYNDEN M. MESSENGER, 14600 SW 70 Ave, Zenda, KS 67159</p> <p>DALE TOWNSHIP CLERK:</p> <p>JAMIE FLUSCHE, 8496 SE 20th St., Murdock, KS 67111</p> <p>DRESDEN TOWNSHIP CLERK: NO FILINGS</p> <p>EAGLE TOWNSHIP CLERK:</p> <p>JAMES F. COON, 6259 SE 60 Ave, Murdock, KS 67111</p> <p>EUREKA TOWNSHIP CLERK: NO FILINGS</p> <p>EVAN TOWNSHIP CLERK: NO FILINGS</p> <p>GALESBURG TOWNSHIP CLERK: NO FILINGS</p> <p>HOOSIER TOWNSHIP CLERK: NO FILINGS</p> <p>KINGMAN TOWNSHIP CLERK: NO FILINGS</p> <p>LIBERTY TOWNSHIP CLERK:</p> <p>DEAN R. PAGENKOPF, 313 Gregory, Nashville, KS 67112</p> <p>NINNESCAH TOWNSHIP CLERK:</p> <p>DOUGLAS RICHARDSON, 2174 SE 40 St, Kingman, KS 67068</p> <p>MIKE ROWLEY, 4550 SE 10 St., Kingman, KS 67068</p> <p>PETERS TOWNSHIP CLERK: NO FILINGS</p> <p>RICHLAND TOWNSHIP CLERK: NO FILINGS</p> <p>ROCHESTER TOWNSHIP CLERK:</p> <p>GARY WOODARD, 12828 SW 90 Ave., Zenda, KS 67159</p> <p>RURAL TOWNSHIP CLERK: NO FILINGS</p> <p>UNION TOWNSHIP CLERK: NO FILINGS</p> <p>VALLEY TOWNSHIP CLERK: NO FILINGS</p> <p>VINITA TOWNSHIP CLERK:</p> <p>RICHARD CASLEY, 1048 SE 160 AVE., Cheney, KS 67025</p> <p>WHITE TOWNSHIP CLERK: NO FILINGS</p> <p><u>PRECINCT OFFICES</u></p> <p>COMMITTEEWOMEN AND COMMITTEEMEN</p> <p>ALLEN COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p>	<p>BELMONT COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>BENNETT COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>CANTON COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>CHIKASKIA COMMITTEEMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>CHIKASKIA COMMITTEEWOMAN:</p> <p>MICHELLE DICK, 12753 SW 60 Ave., Spivey, KS 67142</p> <p>DALE COMMITTEEMAN:</p> <p>ROBERT E. FRAMPTON, 961 SE 80th Ave., Murdock, KS 67111</p> <p>DALE COMMITTEEWOMAN:</p> <p>JAMIE NICHOLS, 3244 SE 70 Ave., Murdock, KS 67111</p> <p>MENDY FRAMPTON, 961 SE 80th Ave., Murdock, KS 67111</p> <p>DRESDEN COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>EAGLE COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>EUREKA COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>EVAN COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>GALESBURG COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>HOOSIER COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>KINGMAN COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>LIBERTY COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>NINNESCAH COMMITTEEMAN:</p> <p>STEVEN L. RAMSEY, 2965 SW 50th St., Kingman, KS 67068</p> <p>NINNESCAH COMMITTEEWOMAN:</p> <p>JAMIE SMITH, 915 W A Ave., Kingman, KS 67068</p> <p>PETERS COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>RICHLAND COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>ROCHESTER COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>RURAL COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>UNION COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>VALLEY COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p>	<p>VINITA COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>WHITE COMMITTEEMAN & COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>1ST W A R D COMMITTEEMAN: RORY AUMILLER, 1502 N Main St., Kingman, KS 67068</p> <p>1ST W A R D COMMITTEEWOMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>2ND W A R D COMMITTEEMAN: NO FILINGS</p> <p>2ND W A R D COMMITTEEWOMAN:</p> <p>TRACY WINSOR, 1816 N Sidney St., Kingman, KS 67068</p> <p>3RD W A R D COMMITTEEMAN:</p> <p>CHUCK LUNTSFORD, 350 E Sherman Ave., Kingman, KS 67068</p> <p>3RD W A R D COMMITTEEWOMAN:</p> <p>BECKY LUNTSFORD, 350 E Sherman Ave., Kingman, KS 67068</p> <p>4TH W A R D COMMITTEEMAN:</p> <p>TIMOTHY ELLIOTT, 329 N Broadway Ave., Kingman, KS 67068</p> <p>4TH W A R D COMMITTEEWOMAN:</p> <p>DEBRA ELLIOTT, 329 N Broadway Ave., Kingman, KS 67068</p>	<p>66047</p> <p>FOR COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE:</p> <p>KIEL CORKRAN, 14201 W 138th Ter., Olathe, KS 66062</p> <p>F O R S T A T E REPRESENTATIVE, 114TH DISTRICT:</p> <p>NO FILINGS</p> <p>FOR MEMBER, STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, 7TH DISTRICT:</p> <p>NO FILINGS</p> <p>All Townships not listed had no filings on that ticket.</p> <p><u>TOWNSHIP OFFICES</u></p> <p>NO FILINGS</p> <p>All Townships and Kingman City Wards not listed had no filings on that ticket.</p> <p>DRESDEN COMMITTEEMAN: ALAN L. ALBERS, 606 E 1ST St, Cunningham, KS 67035</p> <p>DRESDEN COMMITTEEWOMAN: KATHLEEN “KATHY” ALBERS, 606 E 1st St, Cunningham, KS 67035</p> <p>EVAN COMMITTEEMAN: STEVEN L. COX, 14850 NE 20 St, CHENEY, KS 67025</p> <p>EVAN COMMITTEEWOMAN: TAMMY L. COX, 14850 NE 20 St, CHENEY, KS 67025</p> <p>VINITA COMMITTEEMAN: TIM HENRY, 15614 SE 22ND St, CHENEY, KS 67025</p> <p>VINITA COMMITTEEWOMAN: ROBYN LONGHOFFER, 15571 SE 50th St, CHENEY, KS 67025</p> <p>KINGMAN CITY 1ST W A R D COMMITTEEMAN: MARK F. SCHNITTKER, 225 E F Ave, KINGMAN, KS 67068</p> <p>KINGMAN CITY 1st W A R D COMMITTEEWOMAN: HELEN T. SCHNITTKER, 225 E F Ave, KINGMAN, KS 67068</p> <p>QUESTION SUBMITTED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT VOTE YES OR NO EXPLANATORY STATEMENT. The Value Them Both Amendment would affirm there is no Kansas Constitutional right to abortion or to require the government funding of abortion, and would reserve to the people of Kansas, through their elected state legislators, the right to pass laws to regulate abortion, including, but not limited to, in circumstances of pregnancy resulting from rape or incest, or when necessary to save the life of the mother.</p> <p>A vote for the Value Them Both Amendment would affirm there is no Kansas Constitutional right to abortion or to require the government funding of abortion, and would reserve to the people of Kansas, through their elected state legislators, the right to pass laws to regulate abortion.</p> <p>A vote against the Value Them Both Amendment would make no changes to the constitution of the state of Kansas, and could restrict the people, through their elected state legislators, from regulating abortion by leaving in place the recently recognized right to abortion.”</p>	<p>Shall the following be adopted?</p> <p>\$22. Regulation of abortion.</p> <p>Because Kansans value both women and children, the constitution of the state of Kansas does not require government funding of abortion and does not create or secure a right to abortion. To the extent permitted by the constitution of the United States, the people, through their elected state representatives and state senators, may pass laws regarding abortion, including, but not limited to, laws that account for circumstances of pregnancy resulting from rape or incest, or circumstances of necessity to save the life of the mother.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> YES</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p>Voting Places and the Township each voting place will serve, will be as follows:</p> <p>VOTING PLACE TOWNSHIPS</p> <p>KINGMAN EXPO CENTER NORTH ROOM</p> <p>Hoosier Township, Ninnescah Township, White Township, Belmont Township, Richland Township</p> <p>KINGMAN EXPO CENTER SOUTH ROOM</p> <p>KINGMAN CITY 1, 2,3 & 4th WARD</p> <p>DOUTZER COMMUNITY CENTER</p> <p>Norwich City</p> <p>Bennett Township</p> <p>Allen Township</p> <p>Eagle Township</p> <p>Canton Township</p> <p>MURDOCK METHODIST CHURCH</p> <p>Galesburg Township</p> <p>Evan Township</p> <p>Dale Township</p> <p>Vinita Township</p> <p>ZENDA COMMUNITY CENTER</p> <p>Liberty Township</p> <p>Nashville City</p> <p>Zenda City</p> <p>Rochester Township</p> <p>Chikaskia Township</p> <p>Spivey City</p> <p>Valley Township</p> <p>Kingman Township</p> <p>Peters Township</p> <p>CUNNINGHAM COMMUNITY CENTER</p> <p>Cunningham City</p> <p>Dresden Township</p> <p>Rural Township</p> <p>Eureka Township</p> <p>Penalosa City</p> <p>Union Township</p> <p>All persons must be registered to vote in the Primary Election. A person may declare his or her party affiliation for the first time at the polls, but they can-not change party affiliation at the polls. Any party change had to be done before noon on June 12th, 2022. The polls will be open from 7:00a.m. until 7:00p.m. on the day of the Primary Election, August 2nd, 2022.</p> <p>In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 27th day of June, 2022.</p> <p>Carol D. Noblit</p> <p>Kingman County Election Officer</p>
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Pratt County Commission Minutes

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Public Notice

First published in the Cunningham-Courier, Thursday, July 21, 2022.

IN THE THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

SHEILA M. DICK, Deceased.

Case No. 2022 PR 37

(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 Edward P. Dick, surviving spouse of Sheila M. Dick, deceased, praying:

Descent be determined of the following described real estate situated in Kingman County, Kansas:

All of Block Six (6) in Rall's Addition to the City of Zenda, Kingman County, Kansas, EXCEPT All that part of Block Six (6) in Rall's Addition to the City of Zenda, Kingman County, Kansas, lying South of the following described line; Beginning at a point on the West line of said Block 6, said point being 168 feet North of the Southwest corner of said Block 6; thence East to a point on the East line of said Block 6 and 161.00 feet North of the Southeast corner of said Block 6.

And

Lots Eleven (11), Twelve (12) and the North 22 feet of Lot Thirteen (13), all in Block Three (3), in the town of New Nashville, Kingman County, Kansas.

and all personal 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 August 9, 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.

Edward P. Dick

Petitioner

BY: Matthew W. Ricke

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Attorney for Petitioner

signed the form. She reported they had gone to an online grant program. Tara Pagenkopf, RSVP director, presented checks for signatures. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to approve the checks for the council on aging. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

She presented an updated 2023 budget. She stated the funding for the extended hours will expire and she will have to cut the extended hours starting in August. She will be increasing the bus rates to \$1.00 in 2023.

Commissioner Shriver made a motion to recess into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel to discuss the budget for non-elected personnel for fifteen minutes at 2:34 p.m. to return at 2:49 p.m. Commissioner Jones made a motion to return from executive session at 2:45 pm with no action taken. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

The bus hours will change August 1, 2022, Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. It was discussed if she still took

people home from the hospital at night. She replied she has done that. Chairman Adams questioned if she was using her own vehicle, that she should be using the RSVP vehicles. It was decided they would not be taking people home after hours, only during work hours.

Jon Roach, noxious weed director, reported he had sprayed around the public safety building. The truck has been repaired. The new truck goes in for the new bumper and will then be taken in to install the spraying equipment. They discussed spraying pastures for the public.

Jason Winkel, landfill/recycling supervisor, reported he had an employee quit. He presented two new applicants. Commissioner Jones made a motion to hire Alex Garza and John Stoltenberg at \$15.00 per hour for the recycling center. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

He reported he will be attending a meeting in Hays this week.

He reported the roof has been repaired at the landfill.

Doug Freund, road/lake supervisor, pre-

sented a receipt in the amount of \$329,452.95 from FEMA. He presented the invoice from Kirkham Michael for the road at NE 20th Avenue. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to approve the payment amount of \$269,928.08 to be paid to Morgan Brothers Construction paid out of Capital Improvement. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Shriver made a motion to approve a change order in the amount of \$3,388.96. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Dewayne Bryan, reported he has a meeting with the city of Pratt later today, they are donating the property at the corner of Stout and Highway 54 for new signage for PRMC.

Tyson needs to talk to Regina Goff, city attorney to know how to proceed.

County clerk, Lori Voss presented pay slips for two new part time employees in the county clerk’s office. Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve hiring Susan Pixler and Kim DeClue at \$15,00 for part time in the clerk’s

office. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Shriver made a motion to recess into executive session for an attorney/client matter to discuss the new building for fifteen minutes at 3:33 p.m. to return at 3:48 p.m. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Shriver made a motion to return at 3:42 p.m. with no action taken. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the payment vouchers for July 18, 2022. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Shriver made a motion to approve payment to Landmark Architect for invoice #26 in the amount of \$7,166.25. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to recess the meeting at 3:48 p.m. until Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. for the budget meeting. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

The recessed meet-

ing was called to order Tuesday, July 19, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. with the following members present: Dwight Adams, Thomas W. Jones III, Rick Shriver, Tyson Eisenhower, Lori Voss, Mark Graber and Scot Loyd, Loyd Accountant, Loyd Group, LLC.

The budget worksheets were discussed by Scot Loyd and the commissioners.

Tyson Eisenhower, county counselor, read the notice of revenue neutral rate intent to exceed the revenue neutral rate and our proposed mill levy rate is 58.406. The date of our hearing is September 12, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. and will be held at Pratt County Courthouse, 1st floor commissioner room, 300 S. Ninesciah Street, in Pratt, Kansas.

Commissioner Shriver made a motion to adopt the notice of revenue neutral rate intent as read. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to adjourn at 4:04 pm. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned.

Survivors Must Be Allowed To Make Own Healthcare Decisions: “No” vote on constitutional amendment will do this

TOPEKA KAN July 26, 2022 -- The overturning of Roe v. Wade has removed fundamental federal protection for reproductive health care decisions around abortion. This reversal will impact all of us for years to come.

The loss of federal protection of the right to make reproductive health care decisions impacts the decisions victims have to make every day to survive. Victims and survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence

need access to all reproductive health services. This allows them to regain personal autonomy lost to them as a result of the abuse and violence. Everyone, including victims and survivors of domestic and sexual violence, must have the right to control their own body as well as the right to exercise self-determination in all health care decisions, including abortion.

We know that the trauma and violence of sexual assault and domestic violence strike at the core of a victim’s ability to control their own life. That is the intention and result of the violence. Regaining personal autonomy is fundamental to healing and survival. Without the right to take control of their body and their future, many will be trapped in the ongoing web of trauma that the violence has spun around them, forced to

be an involuntary parent, forced to be a child parent, forced to co-parent with an abuser or rapist. We should all have the right to make decisions about ourselves, our bodies, and our futures. This is equally, or even more, important for victims and survivors of domestic and sexual violence.

Currently, the Kansas Constitution still supports our rights to self-determination, bodily autonomy, and reproductive decision-making. Our Kansas Supreme Court has held that the right to make decisions about one’s own body is fundamental, applies to all Kansans, and is protected by our state’s constitution. Because of this Kansas court decision, abortion is still legal and available in Kansas today even after the overturning of Roe.

But that may not last long. The Kansas Legislature has put an

amendment to the Kansas Constitution on the ballot on August 2 in order to change this Kansas court decision.

A “yes” vote will pass this amendment and will remove abortion from the rights protected by the Kansas Constitution. A “yes” vote will allow the Kansas Legislature, when it next convenes, to eliminate access to abortion for all Kansans.

A “no” vote will keep Kansas laws as they are. A “no” vote will not expand abortion rights in Kansas. A “no” vote will allow Kansans to continue to access reproductive health care, including abortion, in Kansas.

We encourage Kansans to educate themselves and to vote on August 2 or before.

We strongly support the right to make personal decisions about ourselves, our safety, our lives, and our families.

We strongly support the right of victims and survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence to have access to reproductive health care options that will help them heal from this violence.

Founded in 1982, and celebrating its 40th anniversary this year, the purpose of the Kansas Coalition Against Sexual & Domestic Violence (KCSDV) is the prevention and elimination of sexual and domestic violence through a statewide network of programs providing support and safety for all victims of sexual and domestic violence and stalking with a primary focus on women and their children; direct services; public awareness and education; advocacy for victims; comprehensive prevention; and social change efforts. Learn more at <https://www.kcsdv.org/>.

Kingman County Sheriff's Report

Sunday, July 17th			
Traffic complaint	7000 block W Hwy 54 Kingman	Traffic complaint	SW 60 Ave & SW 60 St. Kingman
Animal	1000 block N Spruce St. Kingman	Fraud	6000 block SW 30 St Kingman
Theft	400 block E Leigter Ave. Cunningham	Suspicious person	300 block E. D Ave Kingman
Unlock Vehicle	16000 block NE 50 St Cheney	Suspicious vehicle	W Hwy 42 & S Hwy 14 Rago
Monday, July 18th		Vehicle disabled	SW 140 Ave & W Hwy 54 area Cunningham
Traffic stops	5	Thursday, July 21st	2
Traffic complaint	5000 block N Berry Ave Kingman	Traffic stops	11000 block E Hwy 54 Cheney
Traffic complaint	14000 block E Hwy 54 Cheney	Traffic complaint	12000 block SE 20 St Murdock
Traffic complaint	1000 block W Hwy 42 Spivey	Animal	SE 30 St & SE 170 Ave area, Cheney
Damage	500 block S Parkway St. Norwich	Assist other agency	SE 100 St & SE 130 Ave, Norwich
Disturbance	12000 block NE 10 St Murdock	Burglary	7000 block SE 150 Ave Norwich
Extra Patrol	SE 20 St & SE 50 Ave area Kingman	Theft	200 block W Burns Ave Norwich
Fire outside	SE 20 St & SE 50 Ave ara Kingman	Theft	16000 block N 10 St Cheney
Fire outside	200 block W Kansas Ave Kingman	Trespassing	
Welfare check	NE 50 St & NE 70 Ave area, Kingman	Friday, July 22nd	14
Tuesday, July 19th		Traffic stops	NE 50 St & Ne 60 AVe area Kingman
Traffic stops	8	Traffic complaint	12000 block E Hwy 54 Cheney
Traffic complaint	NW 20 St. & NW 110 Ave area Cunningham	Traffic complaint	NE 50 St & N Hwy 14 area, Pretty Prairie
Traffic complaint	2000 block E Hwy 54 Kingman	Traffic complaint	13000 block W Hwy 54 Cunningham
Animal	400 block S Cowgill St. Nashville	Animal	S Main St & W Hwy 54 area, Zenda
Sign down	SE 110 St. & SE 70 AVe area, Rago	Animal	400 block S Cowgill St. Nashville
Vehicle disabled	2000 block E Hwy 54 Kingman	Animal	SW 130 St. and SW 30 Ave area, Spivey
Vehicle disabled	7000 block E Hwy 54 Kingman	Animal	NE 50 St & NE 60 AVe area, Kingman
Welfare check	200 block E Grover Ave. Spivey	Saturday, June 23rd	2
Wednesday, July 20th		Traffic stops	NE 50 St & NE 40 Ave area Kingman
Traffic stops	3	Traffic complaint	13000 block E Hwy 54 Cheney
Traffic complaint	12000 block S Hwy 14 Rago	Traffic complaint	NE 10 St & SE 70 Ave area Kingman
Traffic complaint	3700 block S Hwy 14 Kingman	Animal	4500 block SE 140 Ave Cheney
		Animal	2500 block N Hwy 11 Kingman
		Suspicious vehicle	12000 block NE 10 St Kingman
		Vehicle disabled	10000 block W Hwy 54 Cunningham

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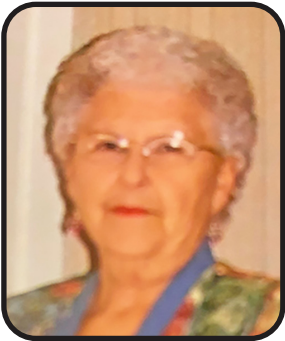
Evelyn Mauch Megason, 84, passed away peacefully at home in New Boston, Texas on July 19, 2022.

Evelyn was born on November 1, 1937 in Nashville, Kansas to Francis Keith and Nilma M. (Weber) Coss. She attended the Nashville school. On March 18, 1954, she married Otto Mauch in Wichita, KS. He passed away on June 14, 1996. Later in life, she married Lloyd Megason of Malta, TX. He died on August 16, 2017.

Following graduation from high school, Evelyn worked as a switchboard operator. Throughout her life she worked as a housekeeper, cook, assisted Otto in the oil field, and served as campground attendant and store clerk in several campgrounds and lakes across Kansas, Texas, and Arizona. Most recently, Evelyn was a member of the Malta Baptist Church. She was an active gardener and a gentle guardian for the birds, squirrels and other wildlife that would come to her porch. She enjoyed fishing, being outside and spending time with family and friends.

In addition to her parents and husbands, Evelyn was preceded in death by one grandchild and a son-in-law. Survivors include brothers, Johnnie Coss (Jenny) of Ozawkie, KS and Tom Coss of Wichita, KS and sister, Annette Hartley (Greg) of Haysville. KS; daughters, Rita Mowry (Condy) of Beaver, OK, Terry McKennon (Ricky, passed) of Nashville, KS and Leisa Mauch of Cunningham, KS; seven grandchildren, fourteen great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild.

The family will be holding a private service in the future.



Cassi Rinke

Cassandra “Cassi” “Ellen Rinke, 62, passed away July 21, 2022 at the Pratt Health and Rehabilitation Center. She was born July 3, 1960 in Pratt to Harold Dean and Francine (Honeman) Rose.



Cassie graduated Skyline High School in 1978. She received her Associates at Pratt Community College She attended McPherson College and Fort Hays State University. She received her Bachelors Degree from Wichita State University Education. Cassi taught in several schools in the area and also in Texas. She was a member of the Reach Church, Pratt and the Ashland Ministries Round Up Saturday Night, in Cullison. She enjoyed Walking, Staying busy with the children at school and helping people. The special Olympics was very close to her heart.

She is survived by Son, Ryan (Mary Vandembark, fiance) Rinke of Wichita, KS; Daughter, Elizabeth Rinke of Pratt, KS; Brother, Joseph “Josh” (Anita) Rose of Pratt, KS; Two Nephews, Connor Rose of Pratt, KS, Derek Rose of Pratt, KS; .

And grand daughter Sofia Rose Rinke.

Cassi was preceded in death by her Father, Harold Dean Rose; Mother, Francine Rose; .

Visitation will be Monday, July 25, 2022 from 9:00 am to 8:00 pm., with family receiving friends from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm., at Larrison Mortuary. Funeral service will be Tuesday, July 26, 2022 at 10:00 an, at Asland Ministries Center, Cullison, KS., with Darin Dauner presiding. Burial will follow at Sunset Cemetery, Cullison.

Memorials may be made to Bread of Life in care of Larrison Mortuary 300 Country Club, Pratt, KS 67124.

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

Sally Davis

Sally A. Davis, 76, died July 19, 2022 at Wheatlands. She was born March 10, 1946, at Topeka, Kansas the daughter of Ernest and Alberta Dieball Wertzberger, she was a retired teacher.

Private family services have been requested.

Memorials may be made with the Kingman County Humane Society in care of Livingston Funeral Home.



A Note of Thanks

Our family would like to express our sincere appreciation for the many gestures of thoughtfulness surrounding Jack’s passing. Your cards, Masses, memorials, food, and gentle hugs have been a reminder of why Jack loved this community so much.

-The family of Jack Meyers-

Donna Noblit

Donna L. Noblit, 85, died July 21, 2022, at Kingman Healthcare Systems.

She was born March 23, 1937, at Penalosa, Kansas the daughter of John and Lillian Jones Evans. A life-time resident of the Kingman community, she was a former switchboard operator for SW Bell and a retired cook for USD 331.

Donna was a member of the St. Patrick Catholic Church, the Altar Society and the Daughters of Isabella, all of Kingman.

On May 31, 1958, she married Lewis L. Noblit; he died Aug. 23, 1996. Survivors include two sons, Jim and his wife Carol, and Ray; daughter Ginger Robinson; sister Sr. Norma Lee Evans BVM; 5 grandchildren; and 5 great grandchildren. She was also preceded in death by a son Mike “Knothead”; a brother John Evans; and sister Sr. MaryAnn Evans BVM.

Mass of Christian Burial was July 26, at St. Patrick Catholic Church. Burial was in the Walnut Hill Cemetery.

Memorials may be made with the St. Patrick School or the Kingman County Humane Society, both in care of the Livingston Funeral Home.

Penny Wood

Penny L. Wood, 74, died July 24, 2022 at her home in Kingman.

Services are pending and a more detailed announcement will be forthcoming..

County Health Clinics

Kingman County Health Department will be doing its monthly outreach clinics in August on the following dates:

Cunningham-

Wednesday, August 3rd from 9:30am-12:00pm

Nashville-

Wednesday, August 3rd from 1:30pm- 4:00pm

Norwich-

FRIDAY, August 5th from 1:30pm-4:00pm

Friendship meals free blood pressure checks at the senior center Wednesday, August 10th from 11:00am-12:00pm

*Please note the date change for this clinic.

Free Developmental Screening Planned

A free screening clinic for children from birth to 5 years of age will be held in Kingman to help parents determine if their child’s development is age appropriate. The screening is planned for Monday, August 8th at the Kingman United Methodist Church, 133 E D Ave.

Areas to be screened include concepts, motor skills, social development, speech, hearing and vision. Immunization, physical and nutritional information will also be available.

The screening clinic is sponsored by the regional Inter-Agency Coordinating Council. Agencies participating in this clinic include: Arrowhead West, Inc., South Central Kansas Special Education Cooperative District, Kingman County Health Department, Horizons Mental Health Center, USD 331 and USD 332. The staff from these agencies will assist in the identification of any special needs your child may have and in locating services to meet those needs.

To schedule an appointment to have your child screened please call (620) 672-7500.

A Note of Thanks

To all our dear friends, family, & neighbors of Cunnningham & surrounding areas,

Thank you all so very much for the abundance of cards, encouraging words & gifts for Monte as he retires EMS. It has been a long journey for him and one that has been challenging at times but very rewarding. After a lot of praying & talking we have concluded that it’s time to pass the torch to a younger generation of caring, compassionate, & very smart individuals, whomever they may be. We ask that you support & encourage them the way you have supported us & all previous EMTs. Your support will never be forgotten!

God Bless you all!!

-Monte & Marla Rose-

“We must find time to stop and thank the people who make a difference in our lives.”

— John F. Kennedy

Joyce Bruse

Joyce Jean Bruse, 93, passed away Sunday, July 24, 2022 at Pratt Health and Rehab. She was born on February 16, 1929 in Pratt to Bryan Jennings and Nellie Irene (Haworth) Scarbrough. Joyce married Henry Edward Bruse on April 21, 1973 at First Baptist Church in Pratt. He preceded her in death on November 22, 1993.

Joyce graduated from Pratt High School in 1947. She worked as the District Manager for Pratt County Conservation District. She was a lifetime member of First Baptist Church until it closed and then transferred her membership to Pratt Free Methodist Church. She was a former member of American Baptist Women. She enjoyed reading, movies, gardening, cooking, baking, studying God’s word and kept a thank you journal for many years.

She is survived by her children, Belinda Jean (Duane) Fischer of Pratt, Roger Lee (Janet) Crabill of Hutchinson and Penny Sue (Mal) McCawley of Rogers, Arkansas; grandchildren, Darin Lee (Dorothy) Fischer of Lawrence, Kimberly Ann (Stephan) Phoenix of Grapevine, Texas, Jacob Elvis (Amber) Elder of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Katherine Irene (Mitch) Janik of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and Amy Jean (Jamie) Ward of Fayetteville, Arkansas; great-grandchildren, Haley Dawn (Danny) Dufford, Gavin Fischer, Allie Fischer, Aubrey Fischer, Amelia Phoenix, Emily Elder, Audree Elder, Carson Janik; great great-grandchildren, William Todd-Fischer, Kanoa Todd-Fischer and another on the way; and nephew, Nick (Keven) Horner of Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Joyce is preceded in death by her husband, Henry Edward Bruse; parents; and sister, Helen Maxine (Jack) Horner.

Visitation will be Wednesday, July 27, 2022 beginning at 1:00 p.m., and funeral service was Wednesday, July 27th at Larrison Mortuary, 300 Country Club Road, Pratt, with Pastor Terry Stafford presiding. Burial followed at Greenlawn Cemetery, Pratt.

Memorials may be made to Pratt Public Library in care of Larrison Mortuary. Online condolences may be made at www.larrisonmortuary.com.



Darrel Brehm

Darrel Edward Brehm passed away Sunday, July 24, 2022 at Pratt Regional Medical Center. He was 83.

Darrel was born on June 23, 1939, in Pratt, Kansas, to Edward Andrew Brehm and Edith Ilene (Dauner) Brehm.

He attended Pratt and Fairview (a two room country school) schools through the 8th grade. He then attended Pratt High School, graduating May 1957, and Pratt Community College graduating in May 1959.

In January 1959, Darrel married his high school sweetheart, Sharon Randle. They lived in Pratt one year before moving to the farm where they lived the rest of their lives.

Darrel was currently a farmer and stockman, retiring from his income tax preparation business in 2007. He was a member of the Glendale United Methodist Church and attended the Pratt First United Methodist Church. He was a board member of the Pratt County Historical Museum and a member of the Pratt Jaycees and Elks. He served as a board member of the Kanza Cooperative for 24 years. Darrel had a lifelong hobby of HO scale model railroad collecting and belonged to the Southwest Kansas Railroad Society.

Darrel is survived by two sons, Steve (Mary) Brehm of Pratt, and Doug Brehm of Wichita; two granddaughters, Hannah (Quentin) Jacobson of Pratt, and Ellie (Derek) McClure of Stafford; one great-granddaughter, Andromeda Jacobson of Pratt; a sister, Shirley (Garry) Baker of Stafford; and many nieces and nephews.

Darrel was preceded in death by his parents and wife, Sharon Brehm.

Visitation will be Thursday, July 28, 2022 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. with family present from 6 to 8 at Larrison Mortuary, 300 Country Club Road, Pratt. Funeral Service will be 2:00 p.m. Friday, July 29, 2022, at the First United Methodist Church with Rev. Nicole Schwartz-Eck presiding. Burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery, Pratt.

Memorials may be made to Pratt County Historical Museum in care of Larrison Mortuary, 300 Country Club Rd. Pratt, KS 67124.



Check the Blessing Box east of the Methodist Church. Anyone can give or take from the Blessing Box at any time.