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TakeAways from September City Council Meeting

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Monte Rose gave the fire department report. He talked about the need for a larger tanker truck. He told the council the fire department had been on three fire calls this month, including 2 mutual aid requests from other departments.

He discussed foam aspirators and the 800 radio, which finally arrived, after being lost twice enroute to Cunningham. He said they could use some new bunker gear, which costs \$3000-\$4000 per outfit.

SCTelcom gave the city a quote for service to City Hall and the fire station. It was greatly reduced over what they

are paying now between Century Link and Cox. They will begin laying lines to Skyland Grain at 1st and Main Streets. The work will be on the west side of Main Street. They are prioritizing Main Street businesses.

The Cunningham Community Center was discussed. If the city brings it in under their umbrella of owned buildings, the cost for insurance would be reduced from \$5200 to just over \$900 with better coverage. They will work on getting the deed signed over to the city.

Ordinance 678 calls for Estella Street to be vacated from Wilmot to the gates behind Hilltop Manor with the agreement that an egress will be left for the care home in case of emergency situations. The ordinance passed.

Jackie Ruckle gave the property officer report. She talked about the

hearing earlier in the evening in which Cunningham Auto had been cited for property in need in cleaning up. They have agreed to make some changes.

A special assessment for Leiter Street was discussed. A tax would have to be levied for the homeowners so the street can be paved and guttered. Engineers, bonds issuance, grants were all discussed.

Tyler Beat has been appointed to serve the position on the Planning and Zoning board vacated by Jeanette Kerschen and Todd Shelman.

Fences were approved for the residences on North Douglas and East First Streets. Another one is in the works for a residence on West 2nd Street. A carport was approved for Green Acres Mobile Home Park.

Mesa Sallee gave his maintenance

report. A leaking fire hydrant on West 1st Street is being monitored, Ohio Street can be fixed next spring. A new bid was put in for the concrete needed to be poured in well house #2. Timers on the lights at the park have been installed. Water well 1 quit working, a burnt smell was detected, and Eck Electric came out to fix the problem. A pine tree by the public restrooms has died and will be removed. Due to its location, it will not be replaced.

An issue with drainage along the draw from Florence Street to Santa Fe Street (west of Douglas) was discussed. The city will clean out the culvert under Santa Fe and see if that helps with the drainage.

Bills were paid. Meeting adjourned.

-the editor

Kansas' September Total Tax Receipts \$84.5 Million More Than Last September

TOPEKA – Today, Governor Laura Kelly announced Kansas' September total tax receipts were \$961.0 million. Those collections are \$96.2 million, or 11.1%, more than the estimate, and reflect a \$84.5 million, or 9.6%, growth from last September.

"Thanks to our laser-sharp focus on creating quality jobs and attracting business to Kansas, we have now seen 26 months of revenue surpluses," Governor Laura Kelly said. "That has enabled us to provide tax credits for teachers and cut taxes for seniors, veterans, homeowners, and businesses – all while paying off debts and fully funding our schools. These revenue estimates show we are making Kansas the best place to live, work, and raise a family."

Individual income tax collections were up \$31.3 million, or 7.6%, for

the month with \$441.3 million collected. That is \$34.5 million, or 8.5%, more than the same month in 2021. September corporate income tax receipts, which are comprised primarily of estimated tax payments, have continued to trend upward. Corporate income tax collections were \$49.2 million, or 40.6%, more than the estimate with \$170.2 million collected. That is a growth of \$24.9 million, or 17.1%, from the same month last year.


"The higher-than-expected corporate estimated payments suggests that corpo-

rations again anticipate favorable profit margins in 2022," Revenue Secretary Mark Burghart said.

Combined retail sales tax and compensating use collections were \$309.6 million, 8.3%, or \$23.7 million, more than last September.

To view the September 2022 tax receipts spreadsheet, go to: https://governor.kansas.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/03_September_Revenue_FY2023_10-03-2022_Final.pdf

Efforts to Secure and Protect State's Water Saves Kansas Taxpayers More Than \$30M



TOPEKA – Governor Laura Kelly today announced that, by paying off state debt on essential water storage ahead of schedule, her administration has saved Kansas taxpayers more than \$30 million.

signed bipartisan Senate Bill 267, which included a payment of nearly \$80 million in debt owed by the state to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) for water supply storage in certain federal reservoirs in Kansas.

The \$80 million payment eliminated debt owed for Clinton Lake, Hillsdale Lake, and Big Hill Lake, and will also be able to help pay down additional debt owed for Perry Lake and Milford Lake. This investment in reservoir water supply storage will save Kansas approximately \$27.6 million in interest payments that would have been made over the lifetime of these contracts.

Second, as recommended by Governor Kelly for the FY 2022 budget, the Legislature agreed to pay \$332.2 million in bonded debt off early, including the bond issued for the dredging project at John Redmond Reservoir, which restored water supply capacity needed for the operation of the Wolf Creek nuclear power plant. The state had been paying approximately \$1.6 million each year against this debt.

By paying off the John Redmond

Reservoir debt approximately 8 years ahead of schedule, the state will save approximately \$3.2 million in future interest payments.

"This early paydown reflects responsible financial judgment," Kansas Water Office Director Connie Owen said. "Taxpayers will receive a tremendous savings, as well as a more dependable water supply into the future."

The Kelly Administration has led the way in making water protection a top priority for Kansas.

This year, Governor Kelly fully funded the State Water Plan Fund – a multi-agency effort to protect a reliable statewide water supply – for the first time in more than 14 years. Kansas water resource priorities benefiting from this investment include, but are not limited to:

- Irrigation technology and education for agricultural water conservation of the Ogallala/High Plains Aquifer;
- Water reuse and reclamation projects for dairies and feedyards,
- Local-level adoption of Local Enhanced Management Areas (LEMAs)

and Water Conservation Areas (WCAs),

- Financial assistance supporting adoption of soil and water practices; and
- Farmer-to-farmer education on soil health and other water conservation practices.

This year, Governor Kelly's Administration issued the first update of the Kansas Water Plan since 2009. The Kansas Water Plan is developed by the Kansas Water Office and approved by the Kansas Water Authority from input provided from state, federal, regional, and local partners.

Through the efforts of Governor Kelly's Administration, a water injection dredging (WID) demonstration project will now be able to take place at Tuttle Creek Lake to remove accumulated sediment that is decreasing the lake's water supply storage capacity which helps to serve over 800,000 Kansans. Planning efforts for this demonstration, in partnership with the US Army Corps of Engineers, are currently underway.

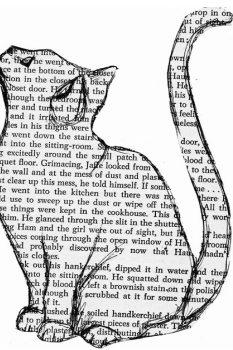
Happy National Healthcare Food Services Week to Our Awesome Nutritional Services Crew!



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Meanderings

I'm going to editorialize in my meanderings this week. It is what I've been meandering about for some time now.

Our community needs to self-promote.

We have an awesome group of folks working for our city. Molly is an extraordinary city clerk, always willing to learn; helpful, and organized. Mesa is a man who knows his stuff, be it mechanical or ecological or any other science related knowledge. Sam works hard to maintain our grassy areas. Although Todd and Ken are both recently retired, they, too were knowledgeable and hardworking.

I think the city needs to invest in a webmaster to keep up the website (cunninghamks.net). It wouldn't take but a few hours a month to maintain the site. Molly, of course, could... but she is not only city clerk, she is also the clerk/secretary for the planning and zoning committee. She has a family, and she drives a school bus to sporting events. She doesn't need anything more on her life's plate.

If the city can hire seasonal help for the mowing, they could certainly pay someone for a few hours a month to keep our website updated. (it is badly out of date. Several businesses are listed that haven't been in operation in years). Maybe this person could add some photos of what our community has to offer--businesses, parks, school, churches, etc. And then promote the heck out of the site and our community.

We also have great schools, great teachers, great staff working with

our youth. BUT information about what happens within the walls of the schools is not being promoted. At one time, I could get quite a bit of information from USD 332's Facebook pages. But much now the last couple of years.

As I'm reading through old newspapers, gleaning bits to add to the 'old news' page, I realize just how little of our school happenings today are shared with the public. The old newspapers were filled with stories from the schools. Teachers sending in little articles -- a couple of paragraphs of what their classes are doing, who visited, field trips, birthdays, etc. There weren't a great many photos, because, most teachers didn't keep a camera in their pocket, or even their desk drawer. But I have a better idea of what happened THEN than I what is happening now. I check the district's Facebook often, but it's pretty scanty on events in the classrooms.

Anyone wanting to check out our school system would think we spend an inordinate amount of time playing ball. The USD 332 Facebook page is pretty well filled with information about sporting events... football and volleyball. The one highlight was Miss Taylor Schultz's forensics story ... you go, girl! (The story was also sent to this paper by Sterling College, and I ran it a couple weeks ago.)

Homecoming candidates are shown, but nothing from the festivities surrounding the event. Nothing from the powder puff football, the pep rally, or the afternoon at the park. Not even a photo of the homecoming royalty all dressed up in their gowns and western wear.

This week, I found a couple of photos of the German Exchange group.

There were a couple of photos of the band in Hutchinson. But really, that's all that's on the Facebook page since school started.

Although I check the USD 332 calendar every week, this week I spent a bit of time going through the different pages and such they offer on their website. There are a handful of photos from last year, but not much else. The pages are dark and gloomy in their black and red look' the masthead hasn't been changed in years.

I have hundreds of readers all over the world who check this newspaper online or get it in print. They would probably like to see what is happening in our schools... especially those taxpayers who just voted for a new school to be built.

If I were in the market for a good district to move to for my children's education, I'd pass right on by this one because nothing is there that shows what we really have to offer. A new school isn't going to bring in new families. Postings about upcoming sporting events aren't going to bring in new families.

The school needs to show what it REALLY has to offer. What we really have that would make families want to come to attend our schools.

I am sure there are still high school office aids. I would think one or more of them could be put in charge of spiffing up these two promotion sites. Young adults are good at this. Innovative and fearless in showing off their skills and talents.

Always reading, and currently reading, "Silver on the Tree" by Susan Cooper, Roberta

"If you are on social media, and you are not learning, not laughing, not being inspired or not networking, then you are using it wrong."

— Germany Kent

"Websites promote you 24/7: No employee will do that."

— Paul Cookson

Tallgrass and Tumbleweeds

by Gaille Pike

Dear Readers,

Last week, in Part One of Three about my recent Winfield Bluegrass experiences, I chronicled how it was impossible to be anything other than happy camper. Even if camping hadn't been such a cinch, I like to think I would have maintained a cheery disposition. Luckily for me and for my friends old and new, we never had to find if that were truly the case.

Happy campers all, my pals and I had a ball.

I had not seen most my "old friends" since I graduated from Southwestern College 38 years ago. The intervening years line our faces, yet our bonds of affection have not aged at all. As for my "new" fast friends, I had not grasped how close we had become until we hugged goodbye, parting with laughter in our throats and tears

in our eyes. Upon reflection, the warp-speed of my new connections was a byproduct of the atmosphere at our campsite, "The Point," and a credit to each member of this group who have for several decades established their own Winfield Bluegrass traditions.

I'd like to tell you more about my new friends but I shot myself in the columnist-foot early in the week by promising I wouldn't "name names" or "tell tales out school" when it came to what went on at The Point. That promise was not, however, extended to my old college chums for

two reasons—they didn't ask for such a pledge and because we're all just glad our college years were lived in pre-cell phone days. Therefore, any old tale I tell can be denied, and our new tales are tame in comparison.

For example, I spent one day of the festival hanging with a college roommate and the wildest thing we did all day was to get our cheeks (faces, folks, faces) painted a unique-to-us-only design of clovers, rainbows and guitars. Her name is Emalee Curtis McCafferty and she's a joy, by the way. She remains as fun and abundantly full of energy as

when we became friends through Methodist High School groups.

Then there's Jeff Wampler, who I mistook for a cop when showed up to camp one night. I won't try to explain our rowdy, rarely quiet old friendship except to say it out evolved because we had the same work-study shifts in SC's library. We weren't even noisy at Winfield Bluegrass though I did exclaim loudly when I saw pictures of his four beautiful daughters. Plus the hooligan is a grandpa now, too!

Then there's my old friend Albert Horning. Trying to explain our friendship is like trying to explain being left-handed. Albert told me I could write any of our stories I want but all that matters that each of our tales ends the same way. Then and now, the man's got my back. Sure was good to see you, too, Albert.

I love that my friends and I continue to have a ball, though we have returned to real-life. And in Part Three, I'll share with you the other thing I carried back: The Music.

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

A column by Dorothy Rosby

Bedpans and Ballpoint Pens

Whenever we had company, my father would haul out his collection of ballpoint pens. He had hundreds of pens with advertising slogans printed on them, glued to three-foot square boards where they would never write again. My siblings and I were mortified especially when the guests he was showing off to were ours. Nothing like having your prom date see your father's ballpoint pen collection.

Of course, even then I realized the collection was a terrific conversation starter. Our guests would ooh and ah and ask how he got his hands on that hammer-shaped pen from a hardware store in Seattle or the one with a steak-shaped eraser from a butcher shop in Houston. The conversation was up and running. Plus, if the guests had any manners at all, they would immediately search their pockets or purses and hand over all their ball point pens.

Even knowing how useful his pen collection was, I secretly scoffed at my father and other collectors. I figured people who hoarded things like

ballpoint pens, assorted steering wheels, and beer steins had too much time on their hands, like the woman I know who collects jigsaw puzzles—and puts them all together. Or too much space in their home, like the guy I read about who has devoted an entire room to typewriters. Or too much money, like the guy who paid \$6000 for Lee Harvey Oswald's toe tag.

I believed collectors to be lonely people with immense voids in their lives. I could see them lying awake at night thinking, "If I can just get my hands on that pocket-knife/golf tee/watering can, my life will be complete." But then it never is and one more pocket-knife/golf tee/watering can is always necessary.

But my biggest objection was the certainty that if I started a collection, my chosen collectible would be the only gift I'd receive for every birthday or Christmas for the rest of my life—unless I collected Ferraris.

Then I had a conversion experience while I was hosting a dinner party. I decided I needed a collection of my own when the silences dragged on so long that I was tempted to mention my father's pen collection.

Instead I asked if any of my guests had a collection. The conversation took off. At my table that night were collectors of lunch boxes, lava lamps, playing cards, and piggy banks. it was fascinating—for them.

I decided then and there that if I ever collect something, I want it to be something I'm genuinely interested in, something that speaks to me.

A friend told me a lawn ornament in the form of Snow White practically called out to her from the shelves of a hardware store. And what's Snow White without a dwarf or seven? Or seventeen?

It would also be nice if there were great acquisition stories attached to each piece in my collection. A woman I know nearly lost her teeth in a fight over an antique baby carriage she'd spotted at a garage sale. The way she tells it, you'd think she'd been fighting the other woman for the baby himself.

My chosen collection shouldn't take up too much space; antique washing machines are out. It can't be too expensive, no precious gems. And of course, it must be a good conversation starter. Call me close-minded, but I think that eliminates garden hose nozzles.

Keeping these requirements in mind, I'm on the lookout for a collection of my own. The choices are bewildering; there is hardly anything that someone doesn't collect.

I've seen collections of sunglasses, perfume bottles, paperweights, and license plates. An acquaintance of mine collects antique bedpans and can speak endlessly about them. Boy is he fun to be around.

I know people who collect mermaids, unicorns and Mt. Rushmores that have been stuffed, sculpted, or dangled from jewelry. None of these collections really "speaks to me," but the collectors are handy to know in a scavenger hunt.

My aversion to dusting discourages me from the ever-popular spoons, decorative plates, and salt and pepper shakers. People collect ashtrays and matchbooks, but that seems foolish for me since I don't smoke. Thimbles? I don't sew. Watering cans? I don't garden either. Guns? Too dangerous. Novelty thumb tacks? Too sharp. Hawaiian shirts? Too ugly.

It's tough, but I know someday the perfect collectible will call out to me from the shelves of a secondhand store, and I'll just know. Until then, I'll be more careful about who I have over for dinner.

Dorothy Rosby is the author of 'Tis the Season to Feel Inadequate; Holidays, Special Occasions and Other Times Our Celebrations Get Out of Hand, coming in November 2022. Contact her at www.dorothyrosby.com/contact.

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Thursday, October 6th 4:00 p.m. HS Cross Country at Bethel College *** 4:00 p.m. JH VB at Norwich *** 6:00 p.m. JH FB at Norwich Friday, October 7 6:00 p.m. HS FB vs South Coffey County at HOME *** Cheer Camp Performance dur- ing halftime Monday, October 10th Columbus Day. Federal Offices closed *** 4th Grade Field Trip *** 6:00 p.m. HS JV FB at HOME vs Central Christian	Tuesday, October 11th HS VB at HOME vs Stafford and Pretty Prairie *** Booster Club Night Wednesday, October 12th School pictures: in- dividual and sports *** 7:00 p.m. USD 332 BOE Meeting Thursday, October 13th HS Cross country HOPL League Meet at Burrton *** JH VB vs Skyline at HOME *** JH FB vs Skyline at HOME Friday, October 14th HS FV vs Burrton at HOME *** Booster Club Night *** Senior Night
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B-29 Museum
is open on Sundays from 2:00 to 4:00 pm

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

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Come Talk at the Coffee Shop
Join us at the Extension Office for our new Coffee Shop Program! Starting Friday, October 7 from 8:30 to 10:00 we will be hosting a weekly Coffee Shop. Come learn what services the Extension Office has to offer. You can also bring issues you need information on to us. Have a weed you would like to identify? Bring it in! A bug that has been bugging you? Bring it in! A question about what is available for youth in the county? Bring it in! Come in and let us help you! This program will be held weekly in the month of October each Friday from 8:30-10. The Extension Office is located at 125 North Spruce across from the Court House.



new 4-H year, we celebrate with National 4-H Week. This year National 4-H Week is October 2 – 8.
4-H is a youth organization that was founded in 1902 by A. B. Graham in Clark County, Ohio. The clubs at first were called “The Tomato Club” or “The Corn Crowing Club”. By 1912 clubs were called 4-H Clubs.
So, what do the four H’s stand for? The first H is for Head. This is to engage youth and increase their knowledge through hands-on learning. The second H is for Heart. This is to teach members responsibility, follow through, and how to work with peers and adult leaders. The third H is for Hands. This teaches members how to be active all year in learning experiences and also community service and involvement. And the final H is for Health. This represents gaining knowledge about healthy lifestyle choices to be physically and emotionally the best they can be.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Happy New Year! Wait, what do you mean this isn’t the right month? October marks the beginning of the new 4-H year! To kick off the new 4-H year, we celebrate with National 4-H Week. This year National 4-H Week is October 2 – 8.
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Children can join 4-H between the ages of 7 to 18. We have five community clubs in Kingman County that are all very active. The clubs do many community service projects in each of their home areas. We also have many county-wide events that members can take part in during the 4-H year. Events such as County Club Day give members the chance to give public presentations to others. County Day Camp gives members a day outside learning and exploring what can be found in the world around them. And of course, the County Fair gives members the ability to showcase what they learned during the year, showcasing their project work.
If your family is interested in joining the Kingman County 4-H Program, please give us a call at the Extension Office at 620-532-5131. We will get you in touch with a club!

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1927

Oct. 7 – The Fee Hardware Company unloaded a new 1928 Model 11 McCormick-Deering Harvester-Thresher on Wednesday of this week. This new machine is said to be far superior to any other model thus far produced by the International-Harvester Company.

Roy “Red” McNamee is evidently the luckiest guy on earth. He was driving out over his pasture Wednesday and say a bunch of ducks on a pond. He then drove back to the pond and killed twenty of the ducks in three shots.

Colonel G. E. Walters, who formerly lived on a farm south of the J. G. Gibbens Ranch east of town, passed through Cunningham, Tuesday evening, on his way to California. He was driving a Stanley Steamer automobile, the first one seen in this locality for some time.

Jake Sanders, automobile salesman from the Swinson Motor Car Company, of Pratt, was over Monday and traded cars with Roy Huffman and William Stanley. Mr. Huffman got a Buick sedan, and Mr. Stanley a Chevrolet coach.

1932

Oct. 7– Ninety-nine out of a total enrollment of 114 at the grade school have a perfect attendance record thus far this year.

The grade school team defeated the Maud School team in a punkin ball game last Thursday afternoon by a score of 43 to 21.

The high school baseball team was defeated by Langdon by a score of 8 to 6 in a game played on the Zrubek diamond last Monday afternoon.

Tear gas equipment was installed in The First National Bank building Tuesday.

1937

Oct. 8–A deal was completed last week whereby Roy McGeorge became the owner of the Midway Theatre, purchasing the same from the Equipment Company of Kansas City, Mo. The theatre has been closed since the death of John Collopy, former manager, the latter part of August.

Cunningham has had a mad dog scare during the past week since Floyd Kent, of Skellyville, was bitten by a dog with rabies last Friday at the Adams oil well test west of town. Since then all dogs have been ordered to be tied up this week to make sure of no further infection.

1942

Oct. 9 – Fourteen more Kingman County men, including one from Cunningham, Mervin Eck, left Monday from Kingman for the United States Army Induction Center at Fort Leavenworth.

Norman Schnittker, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Schnittker of St. Leo, left Sunday for Fort Riley to take his examination for the United States Army Air Corps, having previously enlisted in that branch of military service.

A third fatal accident within a week’s time on the detour section of U.S. Highway 54 around the “Calista Gap,” occurred Wednesday at the east end of the detour, when Paul Dick, 34, of Larned, was

instantly killed. Four other men with him escaped with minor injuries.

Herman Rohling has purchased the Williams Oil Company bulk wagon and service from Vernon Ratlief

1947

Oct. 10– Miss Mona Wilcox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank McCool, and Mr. Edwin Steffen, son of Mrs. Anna Steffen, were married at a quiet ceremony, Thursday, October 9, at 2 o’clock at the home of the bride’s parents. Reverend O. L. Mueller of Nashville, read the double ring service.

1952

Oct. 10– Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Dean Cooley on the birth of a daughter, Tuesday, October 7, at the Kingman Memorial Hospital. The baby weighed seven pounds, eleven and one-half ounces, and has been named Julie Rogene.

A farewell skating party was given in honor of Airman Second Class Daniel Bayer, Wednesday evening at the Penalosa Skating Rink.

A new polio outbreak is reported in the St. Leo and Nashville communities during the past week.

The First National Bank of Cunningham, set a new record for that institution, with over one and one-half million dollars on deposit at the close of business last Friday, October 3.

1957

Oct. 10– Rev. Sidney Dellinger of Sharon Springs, has been assigned to the Cunningham-Cairo charge of the Central Kansas Conference of the Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Long of Wichita, announce the birth of a son, Wednesday, at Wesley Hospital in that city.

He weighed eight pounds, 14 ounces, and has been named Steven Austin.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Luce, and the paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lewis, all of Cunningham.

1962

Oct. 11 – Cunningham football players proved to be pretty good “mudders” as they slopped through the rain and ground out a 31-0 victory over Norwich here last Friday night.

Eugene “Butch” Huston scored the first three Cunningham touchdowns on runs of 9, 39, and 35 yards. Kenneth Spade scored the fourth Wildcat touchdown on a 1-yard plunge. Spade also scored the only point-after-touchdown when he crossed the goal-line on a 2-yard buck following the third Cunningham touchdown.

1967

Oct. 12 – Wayne Jarmer, a senior and son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Jarmer, and JoAnn Rohling, also a senior and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rohling, were crowned “1967 Football King and Queen” of Cunningham High School, in the high school gym-auditorium last Friday night following the Cunningham-Norwich football game.

Rain throughout the entire game prevented the ceremonies from being held at the playing field.

The queen’s attendants were Susan Rottering, a senior and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Rottering, and Hollis Lackey, a junior and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Lackey.

Attendants to the king were Tom Schnittker, a senior and son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Schnittker, and

Jim McCune, a senior and son of Mr. and Mrs. Merle McCune.

Cherri Mantooth was the flower girl and Lance Sheldon served as crown bearer.

Cunningham Halfbacks Larry Lubbers and Ned Albers sloshed their way to five touchdowns, and teamed with Wildcats’ defense, Center Wayne Jarmer, Guards Tom Schnittker and Harold Stark, Ends John McCune and Alan Albers, and Quarterback Frank McClellan, to hold Norwich to a net gain of 84 yards and easily win a rain-swept football game from the Eagles here last Friday night by a score of 35 to 7.

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October 13-Cunningham High School marching band was one of 89 high school bands participating in Band Day, October 6, at Kansas State University, Manhattan.

The Cairo EHU met October 6 at Mrs. Ola Crosley’s at 7:30 p.m. in the evening with 16 members and 2 children present. Roll call was “Humor in the News”. Mrs. Carrie FitzSimmons, president, suggested we make bibs, lap robes and chair pads for the rest home for Christmas.

Mrs. Alda Hodgkinson moved we make them. Mrs. Kathy Webster seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Cooley spent from Tuesday until Saturday in Colorado Springs at the home of Mrs. Cooley’s sister, Mrs. Claudine Leslie.

Little Billy Talbot has been staying with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Sheldon and Lance for 10 days while his father is in the hospital.

CHS Industrial Arts teacher, Mike Mueller, attended the Industrial Arts Congress at Pittsburg, Kansas on October 7 and 8.

There will be a meeting of the Carter Luce Post of the American Legion and Auxiliary on Monday, the 17th at the Odd Fellows Hall at 7:30 p.m. Bob Holcomb and Karen Fischer will give talks on their experiences at Boys and Girls State. The public is invited.

The Better Homes and Garden Club met Friday, September 30, for their fall luncheon. Mrs. Eugenia Hellar and Mrs. Bernice Poland were hostesses. The members drove to Medicine Lodge to attend “Fur and Fashions Ladies Day” at the First Methodist Church. Lunch was served at noon to all ladies present.

Cunningham Student Council members sponsored a League STUCO workshop in the Skyline gym on September 19. Each Cunningham STUCO member was a group leader. The group sessions were informative for all school.

For entertainment, Bob Renner, Roger Theis, Bruce Sterneker, and Kevin Stillwell did their “Big Spender” act, accompanied by Pat Uhlenhop. Refreshments were served in the Home Economics room after the closing session.

Cunningham Clipper cost \$6.00 for a year. Total distribution was 394.

Cunningham Grade School 1944-45 1st and 2nd Grade Classes



Miss Mabel Theising is the teacher.

Front row: Donald Rohling, unknown, Johnna Cooley, Mary Rohling, unknown, Joan Chamberlain, Beverly Kitson.

Second row: unknown, Ronnie Panning, unknown, unknown, unknown, Jean Ann Wise, unknown, Leroy Meyers

Third row: Sharon unknown, Julia Miller, Connie unknown, Genevieve Bayer, Janice Spain, Richard Baker, Larry Hart, Jon Donmitts

Fourth row: Jimmie Poland, Richard Phillips, unknown Kennedy, Roger Buntmeyer, Brenton Bortz, Allan Schnittker, unknown, unknown Kennedy.

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Funerals Do It Every Time

There’s nothing like a death to reveal the intricate web of personal connections we’re all a part of.

Several months ago, I attended the funeral of an acquaintance. The 36-year-old mother was the victim of cancer.

Because of her youth, her young family and her courageous fight to the end, it was a particularly moving event.

Her memorial service brought together over 200 of the most diverse people you could imagine. Fishermen. School teachers. Rich. Poor. Young. Old. The churchd and non-churched.

I overheard more than once, “You knew Debbie too?” At that moment, the surface differences that had kept these peo-

ple from meeting each other in the past, melted away when they discovered their common bond with Debbie. During that event, all were focusing on their similarity.

Facing death makes our connections to everyone else become visible - and our differences become invisible.

Why can’t we carry that vision throughout our everyday life?

Our society has a bad habit. A habit of looking for our differences in-

stead of looking for our similarities. And darn it, we always see what we look for.

If each of us had the strength to ignore the impulses of others around us and upon meeting others asked ourselves “How are they similar to me?” instead of “How are they different? not only would we get along better with others, but we’d garner the side benefit of getting along better with ourselves.

It’s true. Our minds

work like this: if I’m upset with you, I’m the one who gets to feel the upset. If I enjoy our similarities, I’m the one who gets to feel that enjoyment.

What I do to you affects me. What you do to me, affects you. What we do to others affects us.

In reality, by focusing on our differences, all we’re doing is making ourselves feel miserable!

Facing the death of another is a wake-up call to our undeniable similarities.

We all make the same passage.

We’re all from the same source.

We’re all doing the best we can with the resources we have.

Underneath those differences we’ve focused so intently on, we’re all really the same. Believing we’re different only leads to one destination - misery.

Must it take a funeral to get us to think differently?

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From the heartland to urban parks, the release of school kids onto the baseball diamonds signals the beginning of summer. There was a time when baseball was the only summer game. But with competition from soccer and lacrosse, the clap of leather gloves in around-the-horn warmups is not as omnipresent as it used to be. Still, America’s game is a place for young

boys to prove themselves in their pre-adolescent tribes.

Tim was one of those boys. His build was slight, unfinished. Some boys seem to have the makings of athletic ability through every growth phase. Tim seemed to be growing in odd ways: long arms and legs, thin shoulders, more teeth than space allotted in his mouth. No meat on his bones. But he loved baseball. And game after game, he stood at the plate, dropping the heavy bat into a half swing at the first three pitches. Strikeout after strikeout piled up in the stat sheet. The desire was there, but the body doesn’t respond

to dreams and wishes. It needs to be trained. Progress was slow. Tim was determined. The strikes continued.

Tim practiced his swing every day, and every strikeout brought two things to the surface: determination and a few tears that Tim quickly wiped away before returning to the dugout. His teammates encouraged him. His coach worked with him. Even opposing teams held their breath, wishing for a hit, just one hit for a boy who seemed to deserve it more than any other 10-year-old kid in the world.

What teammates and parents and even the coach never saw was a

gray van that pulled up each game in the parking lot adjacent to left field. Inside was Tim’s father, too weak from the advancing cancer to get out of the van. It’s a tough assignment to watch your kid strike out, even tougher when you don’t have the strength to pitch to him.

But life sometimes pushes you along in the right direction, and toward the end of the season, Tim stood at the plate as determined as ever. On the first pitch, the bat fell from his shoulder in a downward swing and somehow made contact. The ball dribbled down the third-base line, and Tim galloped to first. He

stood on the bag wearing a smile as big as the outfield. He didn’t have the chance to advance, and when the pitcher retired the final out, Tim ran straight into left field, climbed the fence and dove into the front seat of a gray van, into the arms of a frail father whose wish for his son had fi-

nally materialized.

Sometimes it is more than a game.

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Sacred Heart 5th Anniversary Dedication

SAVE THE DATE- Sacred Heart's 5th Anniversary of our Church's dedication will be celebrated on October 8, Saturday, right after the 5:30pm mass. Drinks, Food, and Fun will follow. More details to come."

St. John's in Zenda to Hold Festival

St. John Fall Festival –at St. John’s Parish Hall, Sunday, October 9, 2022, from 4pm to 7pm. Stop by for all you can eat – homemade chili and chicken noodles, cinnamon rolls and desserts. Adult \$10.00, ages 5-10 \$5.00, ages 4 under are free! All proceeds go to the hall repair fund. Please make checks out to St. Elizabeth Altar Society.

ALSO:

This Sunday, October 2nd is the last day of the silent auction for the remaining contents of the Rectory for all active parishioners of the 4 parishes. All bids will be reviewed by the finance committee and winning bids will be contacted.

Christian Humor: Jokes You can Tell in Church



The story of Adam and Eve was being carefully explained in the children's Sunday School class. Following the story, the children were asked to draw some picture that would illustrate the story. Little Bobby drew a picture of a car with three people in it. In the front seat was a man and in the back seat, a man and a woman. The teacher was at a loss to understand how this illustrated the lesson of Adam and Eve. Little Bobby was prompt with his explanation. "Why, this is God driving Adam and Eve out of the garden!"

What did Adam say when he was asked his favorite holiday? "It's Christmas, Eve."

Little Johnny's new baby brother was screaming up a storm. Johnny asked his mom, “Where’d he come from?”

“He came from heaven, Johnny.”

Johnny responded: “Wow! I can see why they threw him out!”

A teacher asked the children in her Sunday School class, "If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale and gave all my money to the church, would I get into heaven?"

"NO!" the children all answered.

"If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would I get into heaven?"

Again, the answer was "NO!"

"Well," she continued, "then how can I get to heaven?"

In the back of the room, a five-year-old boy shouted out, "You gotta be dead!"

Why didn't anyone want to fight Goliath? It seemed like a giant ordeal.

Which Bible character was the best musician? Samson—he brought the house down.



Catholic Churches

Sacred Heart, Cunningham
Saturdays 5:30 p.m..

St. John, Zenda
Sundays 8:30 a.m.

St. Leo
Sundays 10:00 a.m. St. Leo

St. Peter Willowdale
Saturdays 4:00 a.m.

Father Roger Lumbré
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Lutheran Churches

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

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

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

Pastor Dennis Fangmeyer
Cell: 620-886-0911



Church of Christ

Penalosa
Sunday 11:00 a.m.



First Christian Church

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



United Methodist Church

Penalosa
Worship 9:15 a.m.

Cunningham
Worship 10:45 a.m.

Pastor Mathew Ndambuki Musyoki
620-298-2090

Zenda
Worship 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School: Children 8:30 a.m. Adults 10:00 a.m.
Pastor J L Nichols
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Hands of Hope (contact any church)

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

Cunningham Community Center (leave donation at the bank)

Lions' Club (Money is being raised to dig a well in the village of Kakindu, Kenya)

Cunningham Museum (to donate contact Alan Albers)

Cunningham Public Library (to donate, contact Kerri Steffen)

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JH Wildcats Take Down the Tornadoes

On Thursday, September 22, 2022, the Cunningham Jr. High football Wildcats traveled to Kiowa to take on the South Barber Tornadoes and came away with a 32-0 victory. The Wildcats

led 24-0 after the first quarter on three Stephen Kerschen runs. The first touchdown was a nine yard run that was set up by a Wyatt King punt block deep in Tornado territory, Layne Green added to PAT for an 8-0 lead. Kerschen would again score on runs of seven yards

and 15 yards in the quarter, each of those TD's were followed up by Layne Green runs for the PAT. The Wildcats would score their final touchdown on the evening early in the second quarter on a Layne Green 9 yard run, this time Andrew Kerschen would catch a Green pass for the

PAT which made the halftime score 32-0. The Wildcats defense would continue to dominate throughout the remainder of the game and the Wildcats were able to have long drives to eat up the clock, but were unable to score again. The win moved the Wildcats to 4-0 on the season.

-Coach Bart Ricke



JH Wildcats Run Past Pretty Prairie/Burrton

On Thursday, September 29, 2022, the Cunningham Jr. High football team played host to the combined Pretty Prairie/Burrton team in Heart of the Plains League action. The Wildcats scored twice in the first two minutes of the game and never looked back and came away with a 46-0 win.

Cole Hageman got the home team on the scoreboard first with a 32-yard run, Layne Green added the PAT and Cunningham lead 8-0 just 41 seconds into the game. The

Wildcats would get the ball back and would score on a 10 yard run by Stephen Kerschen (PAT failed,) making the score 14-0.

With just under a minute left in the first quarter S. Kerschen would burst up the middle untouched and raced 62 yards for the third score for the home team on the night, Green added the PAT and the first quarter score was 22-0.

S. Kerschen would score his third touchdown on the night early in the second quarter to extend the Wildcat lead to 28-0 on a 27 yard run. The Wildcat defense would get the ball back one more

time before halftime and Green would score from 5 yards out with 0:12 on the clock to make the score 34-0 at the half.

In the second half Hageman would get his second touchdown in the game on a 37 yard run to make the score 40-0 early in the third quarter. After a turnover by Pretty Prairie/Burrton deep in their own territory, Kollin Fischer would score from 7 yards out to end the game with 2:43 left in the third, 46-0. The win moved the Wildcats to 5-0 on the season.

-Coach Bart Ricke



photos by Molly Morgan

Stephen Kerschen



Cole Hageman



Kollin Fischer

JH Lady Cats inSnapshots



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Photo Highlights from High School Ball Games

At press time, I had not received any sports articles from the high school coaches, but I do have some good photos to include in the paper this week.



Tescott game: Lane Halderson



Tescott game: Dagim Reed

photos by Barb Schultz

Cunningham vs. Pawnee Heights



Luke McGuire



Dagim Reed



Trey DeWeese

photos by Molly Morgan

Lady Cats at the Burrton Invitational Tournament



Mattie Jump



Maranda Lohrke



Shanelle Romine



Ellie McGuire



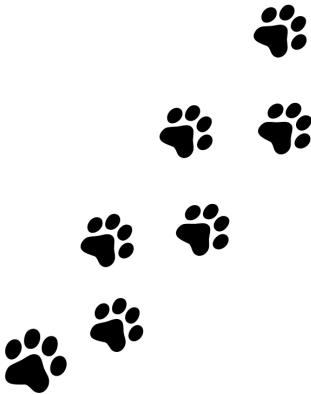
Hannah Ellis



Alice Huelskamp



“Compassion speaks with a slight accent. She was a vulnerable child, miserable in school, cold, shy ... In ninth grade she was befriended by Courage. Courage lent Compassion bright sweaters, explained the slang, showed her how to play volleyball.”
— J. Ruth Gendler, *The Book of Qualities*



The German Students Have Arrived!



Tuesday evening Cunningham German Exchange students welcomed the Preetz German Exchange students to Kansas! There are a total of 16 German students this year, and they will be staying with Cunningham students while they are here.

This week they went to All Star Sports in Wichita, Cottonwood Feeders, Pratt Livestock Auction and will be attending the CHS football game. Everyone has been on the move since arriving and look forward to next week’s adventures!

story and photos stolen from Nadine Hope's Facebook page.

Why Are People Anti-Science?

by John Richard Schrock,

“Why are people anti-science, and what can we do about it?” was just published July 12 in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences by Aviva Philipp-Muller at Simon Fraser University along with two colleagues. Because refusing vaccination against COVID-19 “...is costing lives now and will continue to do so in the future,” they summarize a large body of research in psychology and communication in order to determine why there is so much dissent in the Western world.

To discern why anti-science sources are effective and scientists are not successful, they bring together over a hundred studies that have addressed various factors, many related to the easy spread of misinformation by social media. They identify four “principles driving anti-science attitudes.”

The first problem arises when scientists are not perceived as expert or lack credibility and are therefore ignored. They break that into the recipient looking for expertise, honesty and objectivity in the scientist. Some will dismiss scientists for being elitist. Others note

that in the past scientists have lied for the tobacco or auto industries. Some see scientists as atheists. And medical scientists can be seen as dishonest agents for pharmaceutical companies.

The second factor arises when the listener is member of a group that holds anti-science attitudes. This includes both political and religious groups. This polarization can result in immediate rejection of any message from the outgroup without any consideration of the content of the message itself. These groups are now much more easily held together with social media.

The third problem is when the scientific message itself is rejected based on what people already believe is true. The authors describe “cognitive dissonance, which arises when a person is exposed to information that conflicts with their existing beliefs, attitudes or behaviors.” This leads to rejecting the science or making it trivial, etc. In addition, corrections provided by media often reinforce their disbelief.

The final problem they describe is the message not matching how the recipient sees the world. This would include a broader view of common sense being more valuable than in-

tellectual book learning. They note viewers of CNN or Fox News will automatically trust their source and disparage the opposition without thinking the issue through.

Unfortunately, this report considers “increasing a population’s general scientific literacy” to be “ineffective.” Instead they promote “scientific reasoning skills” as if there is a method to determine accuracy in science that is separate from the science knowledge itself. But the major problem in these last two years has been the ability to communicate the basic human anatomy and physiology involved, the nature of viruses, and the way the immune system works.

The United States ranks near the bottom of all developed countries in science literacy, is top in number of deaths, and it is very close to the top in deaths per 100,000. And science literacy is a very good predictor of the number of deaths per 100,000 from COVID-19, as can be accessed online at the Johns Hopkins, statista, and ourworldindata websites. German citizens receive comprehensive science education in public school to the extent they can self-refer themselves to a medical specialist. While our covid death

rate is 3,171 per million, Germany’s is only 1,682.

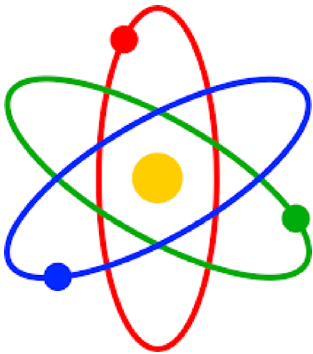
And death rates are far lower in South Korea, Japan, China, Singapore, etc. due to a different culture where citizens take far more responsibility for protecting the health of everyone around them—they have worn face masks for decades. They are likewise far more willing to use advanced smartphone technology to monitor exposure for rapid contact tracing.

These authors also

take aim at technical jargon. Yet, the language of science is not jargon but necessarily specific and accurate terms that only appear to be jargon to the science illiterate. If you do not understand the concept of diffusion, you will not understand why we wear a face mask to protect others more than ourselves. Unfortunately, it has taken the U.S. many decades to sink to our low level of average science literacy, and would take a long time for future generations to

gain it back.

Meanwhile, the marketing psychology in this P.N.A.S. report will do little to solve our problem.



2022-23 General Classifications for Kansas High Schools

TOPEKA, Kan - The 2022-23 KSHSAA senior high membership is 354 schools. Wichita-Northeast Magnet school is an unclassified member school. For the complete list: <https://www.kshsaa.org/Public/PDF/Classifications22.pdf> School classification changes with enrollment ranges are as follows: [Last year’s (2021-22) classification is shown in parenthesis.]

Class	#of Schools	Range	Schools Changing Class
6A	36	2430-1340	Shawnee-Mill Valley (5A)
5A	36	1306-735	Hutchinson (6A)
4A	36	711-323	Hugoton (3A)
3A	64	313-174	Concordia (4A)
			Atchinson Maur Hill Mount Academy (2A)
			Effingham-Atchison County Community (2A)
2A	64	173-110	Easton-Pleasant Ridge (3A)
			Hays-Thomas More Prep-Marian (3A)
			Atwood-Rawlins County (1A)
			Leoti-Wichita County (1A)
			Meade (1A)
			Topeka-Cair Paravel (1A)
1A	117	109-10	Lawrence-Bishop Seabury Academy (2A)
			Pratt-Skyline (2A)
			Rosalia-Flinthills (2A)
			Yates Center (2A)
			Olathe-Kansas School for the Deaf (NEW)

Introduction - Carpe
Diem
Part 1 - The Brainstorm
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Trip
Part 3 - Saying
Goodbye to Kansas
Part 4 - Saying Hello
to Puerto Rico (today's
blogpost below)

Which meant we were kinda homeless at the end of May, 2022. Now, I think I'd mentioned that we're pretty conservative - on all fronts, really, but specifically financially. And so after 26 years in Wichita, we'd paid off our home, drove an eight year old used car, were foot-loose and debt-free. Our plan was to take the cash from the sale and buy a place in PR outright.

And in fact - spoiler alert - it's working out just about as planned. It's the 2nd of August and we've been here just over 6 weeks, having arrived June 18. And - drum roll please - we closed on our

(By the way, after years of owning a house,

So way back in January of this year I contacted a friend of ours named Miguel. He's a member of the church in Orocovis that we're attending right now. I knew Mike lived in the states but had a home in the mountains of PR.

Boldly and politely, because that's really one of the best ways to get anything in life, we asked Miguel if we could rent his home for a couple of months. He was very open to the idea and graciously made his mountain home available to us, also allowing us use of the vehicle he kept here. So for the past six weeks, we've been living in the mountains near Orocovis, *(con't on page 10)*



shared their visions of treasures, with kings, queens or other needed to support their trips crews.

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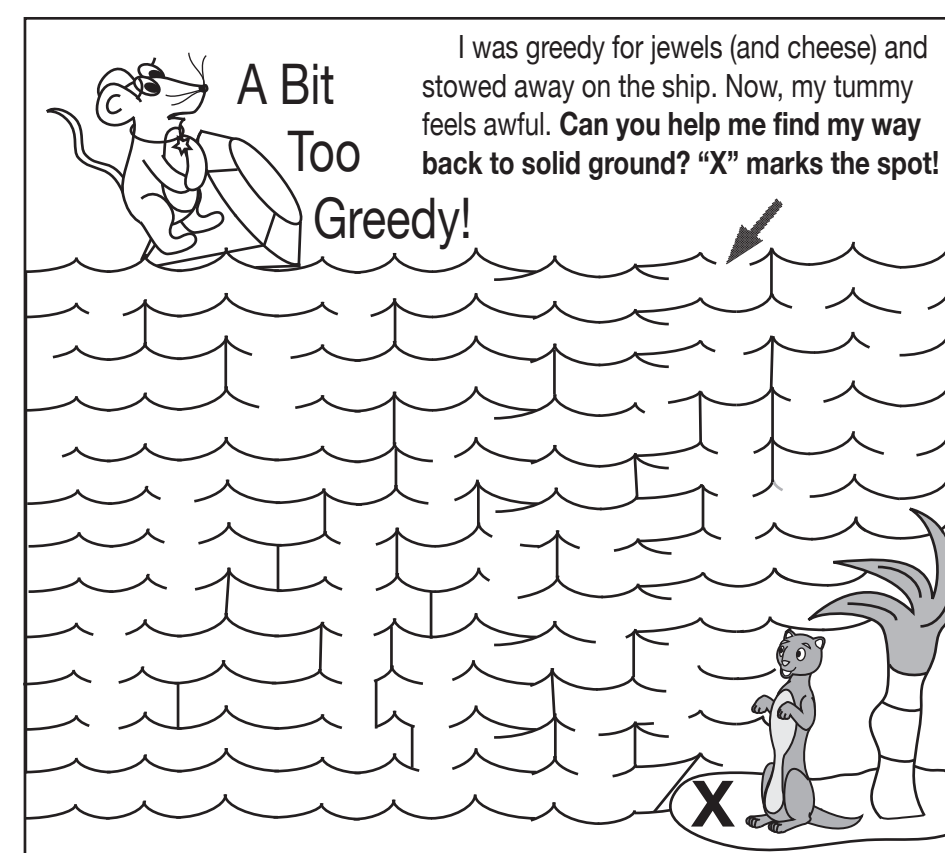
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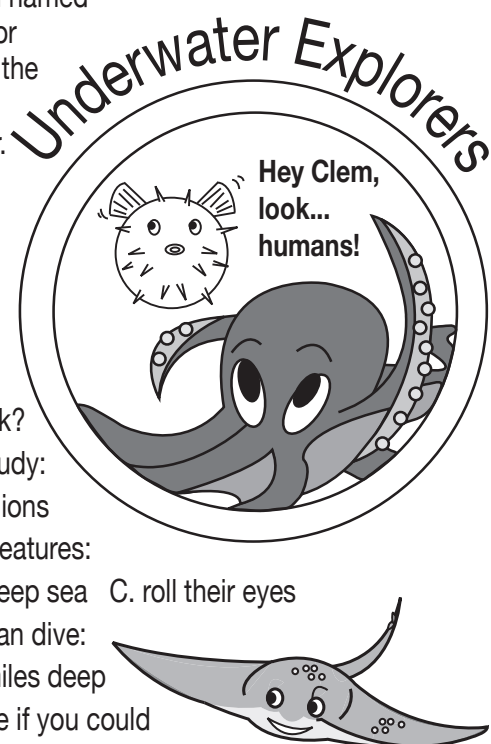
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12. to draw up _____ of the lands



1. The underwater explorers will study:
A. birds B. sea creatures C. lions
2. They will study how deep sea creatures:
A. like to party B. survive the deep sea C. roll their eyes
3. The new research submarines can dive:
A. 300 feet deep B. almost 3 miles deep
4. What do you think you might see if you could peek out of a porthole from inside a submarine?
A. murky water, coral, octopus B. the moon, stars, clouds



same time. This other explorer thought the areas they found were indeed a “New World.” His last name was **Vespucci**. His first name was...

[illegible]

Puerto Rico

(con't from page 9)

PR, and loving it. It's cooler here than on the coast where we want to live. There's farm life right outside our window. Chickens, guinea hens, cows and calves, a few farm dogs. Mike has a pool and permanent cabana next to the house. Outdoor lines for an eco-friendly way to dry our clothes.

We're also thirty minutes from the nearest store! It's quite a lifestyle adjustment for us. Julie blogged about it recently, titling her experience: "City Girl Goes Country" - fun!

Our goal, however, was beach front living. I hate to keep sending you to another blog post, but I wrote about our house hunting adventures here on my writing blog. The



long and short of it is, we were here only four days, saw three condos, and made an offer on Door Number 2!

Six weeks later, we have an ocean view, rooftop space, two bedrooms and a den area with a futon, living room, kitchen, and patio deck - about 1380 square feet. You're welcome to visit! First two nights

are free, then we start charging! During the past month and a half, though, we've stayed busy. One of our first priorities was to open a checking account. That way we could easily access funds for the eventual condo purchase and not rely on our daughter in Wichita to go the bank and cut a cashier's check and overnight it for seventy bucks and then not have it show up until 2 days later, which is what hap-



pened when we had to put up the down payment to secure Door Number 2... grrr... Anyway. Bank account. I'd heard that this was going to be a difficult process. It actually wasn't, but I'd joked to my friends that we'd bring all our official documents just in case we needed to prove our identities, including our birth certificates, marriage certificate, SS cards, passports, drivers licenses, and 1st Grade Report Cards. Ha. It turned out we only needed our SS cards and drivers licenses. Cool.

I don't do endorsements (unless I get paid, lol), but Banco Popular here in PR has been very good to us. If you want to open an account, you have to do it here - I don't think it can be done from the states - but we managed just fine using 50 percent English and 50 percent Spanish. Great folk at Banco Popular.

Speaking of quality service, our T-Mobile data and internet plan is

very reasonable and so far, here in the mountains, the wi-fi using their wireless router has been excellent. (Psst, T-Mobile, any perks for this free promo?)

Now it's time to move. Over the next two weeks we'll get the condo ready (fully furnished, which is a blessing!) and transfer most of our suitcase belongs to the new place. By the end of next week, we'll take our 19-year-old cat Charlie with us and make the move permanent. We are so grateful to Miguel for this transition home. It's been great. But vacation time is over! Time to start our beach chapter.

I'll provide another update in a few weeks as there's a lot to do. I'll share more pics of the condo - and talk about some of the challenges we still face - transferring utilities to our name, fixing some appliances that need attention, figuring out the HOA system in the condo community, etc.

Also, we still haven't

purchased a vehicle or tried to get Puerto Rican drivers licenses. All things that will take time and will be good fodder for future posts. In the meantime, did you know we have a Facebook Page and Instagram Account? Julie posts regular pictures there, so be sure to like and follow us if you want. (We're also on Twitter but really don't know how to use it, lol. YouTube is coming soon with our first video. Will keep you updated!)

Thanks for reading and following along on our PR Adventure!

(I contacted Lyn about their welfare after the island was struck by Hurricane Fiona. His reply: "We are doing well. Julie is actually in Chicago area visiting her mom - good timing! I'm here with our 19 yo cat - but we do have power and water. Although parts of the island are still without services. So it's been rough for a lot of people. Where we were we were not hit bad - some heavy rain and a bit of wind. But again, all is well. Just hot and humid still! Hope all is well with you.")

Kingman County Humane Society's
1st Annual

Doghouse Scramble
Golf Tournament

4 Person teams, Florida Scramble format
Saturday, October 15, 2022
Eagles Pub & Golf Course
9:00 am

Raffle prizes!
Hole prizes!

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Mulligans Available!

\$240 Entry per team
(includes lunch and golf)
Cart Rental \$25

Be the CHANGE you want to see in
the world, FOSTER a shelter pet.
Fostering SAVES lives!

Kingman County Humane Society Pets Ready for Adoption

Maggie Blossom

Sponsored by Baker Accounting



Female Chihuahua,
Short Coat
Weight: 10.4 pounds
Age: 5 years, 10 months
Adoption Fee: \$250.00

Intake Date :
September 14, 2022
Adult-Only Home Preferred; Good with other dogs; Housetrained.

Original Web Site memo: Maggie (Blossom) is one of several purebred dogs rescued from a breeding operation. These dogs are all used to being handled and are not at all aggressive but they are

not socialized in the way most people expect from a pet. If you are wanting one of these dogs, your expectations need to be a little different. These dogs have lived their entire lives in kennels. They have never set foot in grass. They have had limited interaction with other dogs. They have been handled but not cuddled. They do not know how to play with toys. They are not house-trained. You will need to be patient and loving but the rewards are tremendous. If you open your hearts and your home to any one of these dogs you will never regret it.

Update from Maggie's foster:
Maggie has made a lot of progress. She can walk on a leash now, goes in her kennel at night by herself, will play with other dogs, uses the doggy door, will sit in the recliner and allow you to sit and pet her. She doesn't like a lot of commotion or loud yelling...she's not a kid dog, prefers adults only and really seems to prefer men. She's come a long way since coming from the breeder and will likely do best in a home with another dog to help guide her into becoming a better dog. She's had a ruff start but deserves a second chance.

Happy

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Female Domestic Shorthair
Weight: 3 pounds
Age: 3 months
Adoption Fee: \$75.00
Intake Date: June 28, 2022

Please consider
volunteering or adopting
or fostering or donating!
or all four!

Swaney
Veterinary Clinic
Stacie Swaney DVM
620-532-5544

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday,
from 8:00 - 5:30
(except during lunch 12-1)
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Who Were They?

Juan Ponce de Leon
Christopher Columbus
Amerigo Vespucci
Samuel de Champlain
Hernán Cortés
Ferdinand Magellan
Capt. Meriwether Lewis
Lt. William Clark

Two of the men listed above were Americans. They led the famous Lewis and Clark Expedition.

Explorers of the Americas

Underwater Explorers
1. B, 2. B, 3. B, 4. A

What Were They Looking For?

How Were the Americas Named?

The Americas were not named after Columbus, but after an explorer who lived at about the same time. His last name was Vespucci. His first name was...

3 Syllable Words

adventure
voyages
colonies
religion
exploring
continents

discovered
syllables
Christopher
Vespucci
Ferdinand
Magellan

Minutes from Kingman County Commission on September 19, 2022

Chairman Foley called the Board of County Commissioners meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. on September 26, 2022, in the County Commissioners room at the Kingman County Courthouse. Present were:

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; Tanner Yost, Kirkham Michael; Sarah Carroll, Invenergy; Mark Davidson, Invenergy; Luke Hagedorn, Invenergy; Melissa Thimesch, Extension Agent; Trisha Rose, Extension office assistant; Diana Kirk, Extension Board; Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director and Julie Lyon.

Online Visitors: Caller 01; Fred

Staff: Macay Ewy, Emergency Manager; Mary Schwartz, Health Nurse; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director

and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director.

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

Chairman Foley would like to have an attorney-client executive session with the Brandon Ritcha, County Counselor.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the agenda with the addition of an attorney-client executive session. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Foley asked if there was any public comment.

Larry Landwehr discussed the fall festival and that compared to other fall festivals, Kingman festival is missing something.

Commissioners discussed that not everyone has Facebook and advertising is needed to get the word out.

Macay Ewy, Emergency Manager was in and asked the Commissioners if they would be okay with him starting a Facebook page for Emergency Management.

Commissioners asked what the Facebook page would be used for.

Mr. Ewy said it would be used to keep people notified of training availabilities and a place for people to go for Emergency information.

Commissioners signed

vouchers in the amount of \$536,177.72.

Carol Noblit, County Clerk submitted the minutes of the September 19th, 2022, Commission meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the September 19th, 2022, Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve a vacation extension request for an employee. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Melissa Thimesch, Extension Agent was in with an update on the 4-H kids that had exhibit results in the Kansas State Fair and Kingman County was well represented.

Ms. Thimesch asked the Commissioners if they would approve a proclamation declaring next week being 4-H Week.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the proclamation declaring next week 4H-Week. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to go into execu-

tive session with Stan Goetz, HR; Brandon Ritcha, County Counselor at 9:02 a.m. to discuss pending administrative proceedings pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of matters which would be deemed privileged under the attorney-client relationship, and that we return to open session in the board meeting room at 9:21 a.m. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 9:21 a.m. no decisions were made.

Commissioners reviewed the EMS Contract received from the City of Kingman.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the Kingman EMS Contract with the City of Kingman. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director was in to request approval of a letter of support for the Moderate Income Housing funds.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the letter of Support for the Moderate Income Housing funds. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was ap-

proved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Ms. Schrag presented the SEED Grant Project totals to the County Commissioners and asked Julie Lyon to talk about the Saddle & Ropers Floor.

Julie Lyon was in to discuss the request to the SEED Grant projects for the Saddle & Ropers flooring.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the matching funds of \$746.50 for the SEED grant for the Saddle & Ropers flooring. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners asked about the apartment building and what is available for funding to help rebuild it.

Ms. Schrag said that she is working on possibilities.

Mary Schwartz, Health Nurse was in with a clinic traffic report to review with the Commissioners.

Ms. Schwartz let the Commissioners know the upcoming training classess that herself and staff will be attending soon.

Ms. Schwartz discussed the grant funds available that has a deadline of July 1, 2023, to be spent and some of the options that she would like to do. Ms. Schwartz would like to upgrade some things.

Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Sarah Carroll, Invenergy; Mark Davidson, Invenergy; Luke Hagedorn, Invenergy were in to discuss Flat Ridge 4

Ms. Carroll introduced who was in to discuss windfarm documents and that it is a place to start.


Commissioner Henning let the representatives know that they are here to protect Kingman County and the redline document received with so many changes are far from any agreements.

Ms. Carroll went through the red line changes throughout the documents presented with the County Commissioners.

Tanner Yost, Kirkham Michael and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director discussed the concerns of the bridges available in the suggested windfarm map.

Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director and Mr. Yost discussed the road agreement presented to discuss today and their thoughts on it.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 12:34 p.m. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.



Glenn Brunkow, Pottawatomie County farmer and rancher

My fellow Kansas Farm Bureau (KFB) members this is a call to action, a challenge, we need you to go out and vote Nov. 8. I am not going to sugarcoat it, instead I am going to hit this head on. Every one of our members need to get out and vote and your neighbors need to get out and vote — agriculture depends on it.

Historically when those of us from farms and ranches and our rural communities have shown up at the ballot box, we have carried the day. But recently we have gotten lax about going to the polls. In 2020, just under 68 percent of voters in the largely rural 1st Congressional District

cast ballots. In the compact, urban 3rd District, turnout topped 75 percent of eligible voters.

I get it if it is fatigue from all of the haggling or wrangling. I am tired of it too. I don't care why you might not have voted in the past, I am telling you to get out and vote in this election because it absolutely will matter. Recently we have seen elections turn on just a few votes, elections right here in our own state. Don't tell me your single vote doesn't matter because it does.

My parents instilled in me the need to get out and vote in every election, and I can proudly say I have never missed the opportunity to cast a ballot. I believe my mother told me that you do not have the option to complain about the government if you did not vote. Rural voters might be a minority in Kansas, but

we have proven time and time again that when we go to the polls, we have an impact and often sway the election our way.

Am I going to tell you how to vote? No, but if you want my advice and opinion, I would be happy to share it with you. I would urge you to look at the list of candidates endorsed by KFB's Voters Organized To Elect Farm Bureau Friends (VOTE FBF), our organization's political action committee. VOTE FBF is a group of Farm Bureau members, elected from all 10 districts who research races, solicit feedback from county Farm Bureaus and endorse candidates friendly to agriculture. You may view endorsements at www.kfb.org/votefbf. We need to make sure we elect farm-friendly legislators who will make decisions in the best interest of agriculture.

My message is urgent because we have to mobilize the rural vote. We each need to make sure our friends, family and neighbors are registered to vote by Oct. 18. Make sure they know how critical it is for each of us to exercise our right to cast a ballot. I cannot say it strongly enough, if we do not get out and vote, important decisions that affect our way of life will be made by voters who do not understand how those decisions impact us.

So, do your homework, look at the list of Vote FBF endorsed candidates and make sure you get to the polls on Nov. 8. If you can't make it in person, you still have the opportunity to cast a mail ballot or go to the courthouse and cast an absentee ballot. There are no excuses for not voting, our businesses and livelihoods depend on it.

Kansas Farm Bureau Purchases Shop Kansas Farms

MANHATTAN — Kansas Farm Bureau (KFB) has purchased Shop Kansas Farms (<https://kfb.us11.list-manage.com/track/click?u=45bba928f411d21617c5eadbe&id=e5996a291f&e=dab2a00df9>) (SKF), an online community that connects consumers with Kansas farmers and ranchers.

“Kansas Farm Bureau is excited about this partnership and what it means to current and future users of Shop Kansas Farms,” Terry Holdren, CEO of Kansas Farm Bureau, says. “Shop Kansas Farms was born during COVID-19 shutdowns by Farm Bureau member Rick McNary and has continued to provide a way for consumers and farmers to connect over food and farming. Together, with Rick, we

plan to build the platform out and help communities create local food systems.”

McNary will remain a driving force behind SKF and will focus on things like consulting with communities who want to develop local food systems.

“Kansas Farm Bureau has been instrumental in the success of Shop Kansas Farms from the beginning,” Rick McNary, creator of Shop Kansas Farms, says. “Staff provided help as administrators on the Facebook group and were sounding boards as the viral community took off. We were partners from the start and this purchase solidifies KFB's interest in finding ways to ensure rural communities and Kansans thrive.”

Kansas Farm Bureau's mission is to strengthen agriculture and the lives of Kansans through advocacy, education and service.

Kingman County Sheriff's Report

Sunday, September 25th	
Traffic Stop	9
Traffic / Disabled Vehicle	14000 E Hwy 54, Cheney
Suspicious Person	15350 A NE 50 St, Cheney
Suspicious Activity	400 N Main, Zenda
Monday, September 26th	
Traffic Stop	1
Traffic Complaint	14000 W Hwy 54, Cunningham
911 Accidental Dial	5644 N Hwy 11, Kingman
911 Accidental Dial	2479 NE Waterloo Ave, Murdock
Tuesday, September 27th	
Traffic Stop	9
Traffic / Disabled Vehicle	7000 W Hwy 54, Kingman
Suspicious Person	15000 E Hwy 54, Cheney
Suspicious Vehicle	SW 30 St & SW 10 Ave, Kingman
911 Accidental Dial	140 E Burns Ave, Norwich
Wednesday, September 28th	
Traffic Stop	3
Traffic Complaint	284 E Hwy 42, Rago
Animal Complaint	NW 50 St & N Berry Ave, Kingman
Fire / Grass Fire	SW 130 St & SW 30 Ave, Spivey

Thursday, September 29th	
Traffic Stop	1
Traffic Complaint	SW 30 St & SW 150 Ave, Cunningham
Traffic Complaint	NE 40 Ave & E Hwy 54, Kingman
Theft	15916 NE Tailridge Rd, Cheney
Suspicious Person	W Hwy 54 & SW 120 Ave, Kingman
Gas Leak	642 N Thompson St, Kingman
Trespassing	460 S Penalosa, Cunningham
Damage to Property	1807 W Hwy 42, Spivey
Friday, September 30th	
Traffic Stop	6
Vehicle / Fire	18000 W Hwy 54, Cunningham
Harassment	243 E Burns Ave, Norwich
Saturday, Octobe 1st	
Traffic Stop	2
Traffic Complaint	1615 E Kansas Ave, Kingman
Harassment	401 North Main St, Spivey
Fire / Grass	14000 W Hwy 54, Cunningham

Cattle Chat:
Impact of
Drought on a
Fall-Calving
Herd

K-State beef
cattle nutritionist
says supplementa-
tion is key to
maintaining health

By Lisa Moser, K-State
Research and Extension
news service

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Dying trees, brown grass and cracked lawns are visible signs of a lack of rainfall.

Along with the landscape disadvantages, a lack of rainfall is detrimental to establishing crops and growing pasture grass, which can lead to negative consequences for the beef cattle that graze those fields and pastures, said experts at the Kansas State University Beef Cattle Institute.

Speaking on a recent Cattle Chat podcast, nutritionist Phillip Lancaster said a drought can be especially challenging for a fall-calving herd.

“A drought is a real disadvantage to the fall-calving cows because the summer pastures dried up sooner than typical due to lack of rain, which impacted the amount of body condition they were able to carry,” Lancaster said.

In a normal year, fall-calving cows are typically around a score of six (on a 1 to 10 scale, with 1 being emaciated and 10 being morbidly obese), he said.

Lancaster said many of those cows are coming off summer pastures at a lower body condition score and at the same time the nutritional demands on them are peaking due to the lactation requirements from the nursing calf. This is also coupled with a time when feed costs are high.

“In this drought year, producers are going to have to supplement fall-calving cows with energy and protein along with roughage to meet her needs, and doing that in a cost-effective manner is going to be difficult,” Lancaster said.

Another option is to look at relocating the herd to an area of the country that has more readily available grass and feed-stuffs, said K-State veterinarian Brad White.

“You’ll need to do that math to see if relocation is a viable option for the herd,” he said.

Another option is to reduce the herd size by selling some of the cows.

“As painful as it is, reducing the number of mouths to feed will help extend your feed resources,” White said.

To hear the full discussion, listen to the Cattle Chat podcast online.

First tried for seven months in 1918, says wikipedia, DST was used for a full year for the first time during World War II. It was used again in 1973 in a bid to reduce energy usage because of an oil embargo, then repealed a year later.

As I reported a year ago, the jarring shift to our daily sleep patterns and routines each fall and spring is linked to an increase in heart attacks, strokes or automobile accidents.

In March, when our clocks “spring forward,” hospitals report a 24% spike in heart attack visits around the U.S.

The reverse happens in the fall when clocks are set back. Heart attack visits to hospitals drop by 21% — but pedestrian deaths increase because it gets dark earlier.

Finally, last March, some of our political leaders in the Senate took a break from spending money we don’t have to do something about an actual issue that matters.

The Senate passed the Sunshine Protection Act to “make daylight saving time permanent starting in 2023, ending the twice-annual changing of clocks in a move promoted by supporters advocating brighter afternoons and more economic activity,” according to Reuters.

You’d think the House and the president would jump on such a concept since ending the clock change is something 71% of Americans agree upon.

The trouble is, there is little agreement on how to end the clock change.

CNN cites a poll from late 2019 that found three things:

- 31% of Americans prefer daylight saving time so that we have more light later in the day at the expense of darker mornings — which is apparently bad for our biological circadian clock, according to Universal Sci, and that will cause us to get less healthy sleep.
- 40% prefer standard time so that we have more sun in the morning, at the expense of the sun going down earlier in the evenings, which Universal Sci says is much better for restful sleeping.
- 28% prefer we keep changing our clocks back and forth, as these self-serving people are clearly in the coffee or auto-body repair business.

Frankly, I’m not sure if I prefer 12 months of DST or standard time, just so long as we don’t have to change clocks twice a year.

Because while we humans may finally adjust to the forced time changes each year, my dog, Thurber, never will. (If you want to see a talking dog, Thurber explains why at www.ThurbersTail.com!)

Our household is built upon his Labradorian clock, which demands he is fed breakfast and let out to do No. 1 and No. 2 at the very same time every single morning — or my carpet may be at risk of an unpleasant experience.

When I try to explain to Thurber why human beings think they can manipulate time and light, he looks at me like the human race is clearly less sensible than a typical canine.

And he’s right.

If dogs ran Congress, we wouldn’t have to switch our clocks every spring and autumn.

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Yellow jacket wasps are increasing in numbers as they scavenge for food this fall until cold weather arrives. Kansas State University horticulture expert Ward Upham encourages those outdoors to be careful as wasps can sting if agitated.

“Yellow jacket wasps are three-fourths of an inch long and closely resemble bees from a distance,” Upham said. “Bees have more hair and are duller in color.”

Wasps look for food near compost piles rather than flowers, and especially sugary liquids such as soda.

If a nest is found, it is best to avoid the area as wasps can be more aggressive near the nest, Upham said.

While they are known for unfriendly behavior, wasps are beneficial to their environment, feeding on soft body insects like caterpillars and sawfly larvae. Upham encourages not destroying nests unless they present a danger to people.

“Rather, concentrate on removing food sources near areas you frequent,” he said.

Public Notice

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GENERAL ELECTION
NOTICE OF PLACES AND
DATES OF REGISTRATION

Pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 25-2311, notice is hereby given that the books for the registration of voters in Kingman County, Kansas will be closed from 5:00p.m. on Tuesday, October 18th, 2022 and will remain closed until the day after the General Election which will be held in the County of Kingman, State of Kansas on the 8th day of November, 2022. Books will reopen on November 9th, 2022.

OFFICE HOURS:

The books will be kept open Monday through Friday from 8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m. in the County Clerk’s Office until the books close and will remain closed until November 9th, 2022, which is the day after the General Election.

You may register during regular hours of business through October 18th, 2022. Anyone wishing to register must appear at the County Clerk’s Office with some form of Photo Identification or contact the County Election Officer for a registration card to be mailed out to them.

To register you must be a citizen of the United States who is 18 years of age or older or will have attained the age of 18 years before the next election. Registration closes 21 days prior to every election.

When a voter has been registered according to law, his or her registration shall continue to be valid until one of the following occurs:

1. The voter changes name by marriage, divorce or legal proceedings.

2. The voter changes residence in which he or she resided at the time he or she registered.

3. When a voter dies or is disqualified for voting, his registration will be pulled from the files. When a voter fails to vote in two consecutive General Elections, such voter’s name may be removed from the registration books and party affiliation lists. Such voter must re-register in order to be able to vote.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 3rd day of October, 2022.

Carol D. Noblit

Kingman County Election Officer

Upham and his colleagues in K-State’s Department of Horticulture and Natural Resources produce a weekly Horticulture Newsletter with tips for maintaining home landscapes and gardens. The newsletter is available to view online or can be delivered by email each week.

Interested persons can also send their garden and yard-related questions to Upham at wupham@ksu.edu, or contact your local K-State Research and Extension office.

Updated Minutes from the Pratt County Commission Meeting on September 26, 2022 were not posted at press time.

Public Notice

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IN THE THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:
EUNICE SMITH, Deceased.
CASE NO. 2022 PR 6

(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 Prisca Krehbiel, duly appointed, qualified and acting Administrator of the Estate of Eunice Smith, deceased, praying Petitioner’s acts be approved; account be settled and allowed; the heirs be determined; the Estate be assigned to the persons entitled thereto pursuant to the laws of intestate succession; fees and expenses be allowed; costs be determined and ordered paid; the administration of the Estate be closed; the Administrator be discharged and Petitioner be released from further liability.

You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before October 25, 2022, at 10:00 o’clock a.m., in the District Court, Kingman County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Prisca Krehbiel, Petitioner

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

gasket and lost compression from two of the cylinders—along with most of the oil.

I called Norah to come and pick me up at a hotel in Bennett and upon arriving at her WONDERFUL homestead I was greeted by a plethora of fowl life and canines! Did you know that if you add water to chicken poop it hardens into a concrete-like substance?! (I learned that from Mr. Tinker-Paul Villain). After spending nearly three hours trying to contact people to work on my car, I finally made contact with an intelligent life-form who would help me out. However, I was still stranded in PARADISE (Norah’s house), covered from head to toe in four different cat hair colors, mauled by three of the stupidest dogs I’ve ever encountered, chased by some ‘friendly’ peacocks and geese, and for some strange reason got humped by a mutt! WOW! I think I’ll advertise this vacation getaway on the .net. What do you think? Well, talk to you later! Matt

Public Notice

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IN THE THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:
SALLY A. DAVIS, Deceased.
CASE NO. 2022 PR 46

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

NOTICE

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that Petition has been filed in this Court by Connie Hageman, Laura Cress and Melinda G. Miller, Co-Administrators of the Estate of Sally A. Davis, deceased, praying that: the following Kansas real estate owned by the decedent, situated in Kingman County, Kansas be sold. The real estate is described as:

Unit G, Spring Meadows: A portion of Lot One (1), Block One (1), Spring Meadows, a replat of Lots 1-20 (inclusive), Bay & Wier’s Subdivision of Block J, Frazier’s Addition, and all of Block K, Frazier’s Addition, Subdivisions in the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of Section Thirty-two (32), Township Twenty-seven

(27) South, Range Seven (7) West of the 6th P.M., in Kingman County, Kansas, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Lot 1, Block 1, Spring Meadows; thence on North along the West line of said Lot 1, a distance of 42.33 feet; thence with a deflection angle 90°03’10” right-East

65.67 feet; thence with a deflection angle 90°00’00” right-South 7.10 feet; thence with a deflection angle 90°00’00” left-East 18.00 feet to the extension of the centerline of a party wall for the point of beginning; thence with 90°00’00” deflection angles and distances as follows: left-North along the centerline of said party wall and the extension thereof a distance of 103.20 feet; right-East 38.30 feet; right-South 58.40 feet; left-East 5.00 feet; right-South 24.30 feet; right-West

11.00 feet; left-South 13.40 feet; right-West 14.30 feet; left-South 7.10 feet; Right-West 18.00 feet to the point of beginning; together with an undivided one-fourth (1/4) interest in and to the common area to be owned by the Spring Meadows Homeowners Association in accordance with agreement filed in Misc. Book 216, Page 184, in the office of the Register of Deeds of Kingman County, *Kansas*

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before October 25, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., in the District Court, Kingman County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Connie Hageman, Laura Cress & Melinda G. Miller, *Petitioner*

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Attorney for Petitioners



Effective June 1, 2022: Ads are \$6.00 per column inch. Front page ads are \$10.00 per column inch. All ads are subject to approval of this paper, which reserves the right to edit, reject, or properly classify any ad. Note: The views and opinions expressed in advertisements in The Cunningham Courier do not necessarily represent the views and opinions of the Courier or staff. Errors will be corrected when brought to my attention.
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Richard Rohling

Richard Joseph Rohling, 74, passed away Thursday, September 29, 2022 at his home. He was born on August 20, 1948 in Nashville to Joseph B. and Lucy H. (Ebencamp) Rohling. Richard married Diane Marcile (Ross) Rohling on July 14, 1984 in Haviland. They were married for 38 years.



Richard graduated from Cunningham High School. He attended two years at Pratt Junior College. He worked for Northern Natural Gas Company for 42 years. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus and “Friday Afternoon Retirement Club”. He enjoyed working, being outside, yardwork, animals, and spending time with his family.

He is survived by his wife, Diane of Pratt; children, Larry (Stephanie) Rohling of Gardner, Jennifer (Matt) Badsky of Silver Lake, Heather (Danny) Lynch of Pratt and Chris (Lori) Rohling of Pratt; sisters, Marlene (Larry) Miller of Garden City, JoAnn (Kenny) Clouse of Lawrence and Janet (Terry) Schield of Hutchinson; and grandchildren, Lainey and Luke Rohling, Bailey and Bryce Badsky, Sammie and Jessie Lynch, and Kynlee and Brooklyn Rohling.

Richard is preceded in death by his parents; sister, Mary Helen Kummer-Maneth; and grandson, Casen Rohling.

Monday, October 3, 2022 was a Mass of Christian Burial at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Pratt with Father Charles Atuah presiding. Cremation followed and private family inurnment will be at a later date at Greenlawn Cemetery, Pratt.

Memorials may be made to Sacred Heart Church, Pratt Area Humane Society or St. Jude Children’s Hospital in care of Larrison Mortuary.

Loretta Mabie

Isabel - Loretta M Mabie, 79, passed away Friday, September 30, 2022 at Pratt Health and Rehab. She was born on May 3, 1943 in Anthony to Hershel and Lois (Lynam) Jamison. Loretta married Ira Merle Mabie on August 23, 1960 in Eureka. He preceded her in death on September 14, 2011.



Loretta worked as a CNA and Ward Clerk for many years. She enjoyed sewing, cross-stitch, reading, square dancing, playing dominos and yahtzee, fishing, camping, children’s activities, sports and rodeos.

She is survived by her children, Diana Mabie of Isabel, Lisa (Tim) Gray of Arkansas City, Tony (Kay Woods) Mabie of San Antonio, Texas and Regina (Virgil) Shields of Derby; brother, Robert (Kristi) Jamison of Salina; sisters, Peggy Scullawl of Dodge City and Beverly (Bill) Becker of Isabel; grandchildren, Krista (Chris) Davidson, Justin (Madi) Trott, Brandie (Jacob) Smith, Heaven Mabie, Preston Mabie, Cory Shields, Cortney Shields, Tyler (Krystal) Beat, Pete Shields and Angie (Chris) Stump; and 13 great-grandchildren with another on the way.

Loretta is preceded in death by her husband, Ira Merle Mabie; parents; daughter, Sharyl Mabie; and sister, Debra Jamison.

Funeral service was held on Tuesday, October 4, 2022 at Larrison Mortuary with John Hamm presiding. Burial followed at Isabel Cemetery, Isabel.

Memorials may be made to Parkinson Disease Foundation or American Cancer Society in care of Larrison Mortuary.

Larry Ryan

Larry James “Larbear” Ryan, 25, passed away Sunday, September 25, 2022. He was born on May 17, 1997 in Grand Junction, Colorado to James Ross Ryan and Rhonda Jean Palmer.



Larry graduated from Fruita Monument High School in 2015. He worked as a mechanic in the oil and gas industry in Colorado before moving to Pratt in 2018. Once in Pratt he worked as a mechanic at Premier Trading and Transportation, Lanterman Motors/Pratt City Ford and most recently at Kanza Coop . He was a former member of Open Door Ministry, FFA and the Car Club (Domestic Disturbance). He enjoyed tractors, trucks, mechanical work, two-steppin and hanging out with friends. He was selfless and would do anything for anyone. He always had a smile on his face and a laugh that won’t be forgotten.

He is survived by his mother, Rhonda (Scott Tallent) Palmer of Grand Junction, Colorado; brothers, Justin (Mandy) Ryan of Montrose, Colorado and Lee (Heather) Ryan of Pratt; nieces, Kindall Ryan and Braydon Ryan both of Colorado, and Lacey McCartney of Pratt; nephew, Richard (Charisma) Ryan of Colorado and Keagon Hayden of Pratt; best friend, Kyle (Ambrea) Hayden of Pratt; friend, Chad “Shroom” Cosby of Pratt; and many other friends that loved him dearly.

Larry is preceded in death by his father, James Ross Ryan; grandparents, Larry and Adele Palmer and Ross and Betty Ryan; and sister, Stacy Ryan.

Cremation has taken place. A Celebration of Life will be held from 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., Saturday, October 8, 2022 at The Rut and Strut Lodge, 70261 East Highway 54, Pratt. Inurnment will be at a later date at Elmwood Cemetery, Fruita, Colorado.

Memorials may be made to Larry Ryan Memorial Fund in care of Larrison Mortuary, 300 Country Club Road, Pratt.

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(StatePoint)
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To help reduce the burden of this lung disease, the American Lung Association and Pfizer are partnering to share important facts about pneumococcal pneumonia for adults 65 or older and adults 19-64 with certain underlying health

conditions. Here’s what to know:

What is pneumococcal pneumonia? Many people think pneumococcal pneumonia is a cold or the flu, but it’s not. Pneumococcal pneumonia is caused by bacteria that live in the upper respiratory tract, and it can spread to others through coughing or close contact. Common symptoms include high fever, excessive sweating, shaking chills, coughing, difficulty breathing, shortness of breath and chest pain. Some symptoms can appear quickly and without warning.

Who is at risk? While anyone can get pneumococcal pneumonia, some people are at higher risk of getting severely ill, including those 19 or older with certain medical conditions such as asthma, COPD, chronic heart disease or diabetes,

and adults who smoke cigarettes. Additionally, even healthy adults 65 and older are at increased risk because the body’s immune system naturally weakens with age. Visit Lung.org/pneumococcal to take a two-minute quiz to determine if you are at elevated risk.

How can you help prevent pneumococcal pneumonia? The CDC recommends pneumococcal pneumonia vaccination for adults 19 or older with certain underlying medical conditions, and for adults 65 or older. Unlike the flu shot, you don’t need pneumococcal vaccination every year. Your healthcare provider can help you determine when you should be vaccinated against pneumococcal pneumonia. Infection can strike anytime, anywhere, in any season, so now is the time to talk to a healthcare

provider about pneumococcal vaccination.

“Low vaccination rates leave far too many people vulnerable to pneumococcal pneumonia,” states Dr. Albert Rizzo, chief medical officer for the American Lung Association. “Keeping up to date with vaccinations is important for everyone, especially those living with chronic health conditions such as asthma or diabetes.”

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