

CATHOLIC Masses

St. Leo
Sunday, March 24, 2019
8:30 a.m.

St. John's, Zenda
Sunday, March 24, 2019
10:00 a.m.

Sacred Heart, Cunningham
Saturday, March 23, 2019
4:00 p.m.

St. Peter's, Willowdale
Saturday, March 23, 2019
5:30 p.m.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST
Penalosa

Sunday Bible Class
10:00 a.m.

Worship
11:00 a.m.

Afternoon Worship
1:30 at Penalosa
Community Center

Mid-Week Bible Study
Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.
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CHRISTIAN
Cunningham

Sunday School
9:30 a.m.

Worship
10:45 a.m.

Bible Study
6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Prayer
Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Pastor Mike McGovney
620-298-3201
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LUTHERAN
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Worship Service
8:30 a.m.

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& Bible Class
9:45 a.m.

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Pastor Dennis
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Worship
9:15 a.m.

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9:45 a.m.
Worship 10:45 a.m.

Pastor Katelyn Zoglmann
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(United Methodist
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Tues. monthly: 6:30 p.m.)
Pastor Ken Keeling

Community Bulletin Board

March 18th - 22nd Spring Break No School	March 26th 3:30 p.m. Forensics Meeting
Thursday, March 21st Forensics at Otis-Bison	Wednesday, March 27th 5:00 p.m. BOE Retreat
Saturday, March 23rd Forensics at Hoisington	Saturday, March 30th Forensics at Pratt
Monday, March 25th 4:00 p.m. JH Scholars' Bowl I at Home (south)	March 30th Regional Music at Larned
Tuesday, March 26th Spring Pictures	Monday, April 1 JH Scholars' Bowl II (West) at South Barber
March 26th PCC Ag Day for Sophomores and Juniors	Tuesday, April 2 JH Trackmeet at Kingman

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YEARS AGO IN The Cunningham Clipper

W. A. BRADLEY, EDITOR

March 27, 1969 – City and school board elections will be held next Tuesday, April 1.

A blank ballot will confront City of Cunningham voters. All the candidates will be elected by the “write-in” method. The polling place is City Hall, and will be open for 12 hours from 7:00 o’clock in the morning until 7:00 in the evening. The judges and clerks are John Schnittker, Henry Gibbens, Iona Shafer, Zola Pearson, and Frances Nossaman.

A blank ballot also faces voters in city elections at Penalosa and Nashville.

School board elections will be held for three positions on the U. S. D. No. 332 School Board, but only one position has a contest.

Voters in the Willowdale community will decide between two candidates, Bernard Gillen and Julius Govert, for Position No. 4.

Dean Pagenkopf is the candidate for Position No. 5, representing the Nashville area.

Joe Dirks is the candidate for Position No. 6, representing the Zenda community.

Motor failure at the city water pumps created a water shortage in Cunningham last Thursday morning.

The water was off in the city from about 10:30 o’clock that morning until almost 2:00 o’clock in the afternoon while a motor replacement was being made by the Layne Western Company of Wichita.

School was dismissed shortly after noon due to the water stoppage.

March 26, 1964 – Theodore A. (Ted) Zensinger, an automotive veteran of 35 years with the Studebaker Corporation, has been named executive assistant to Gordon E. Grundy, president of the Studebaker Automotive Division.

A native of Willowdale, Kans., Mr. Zenzinger was educated at Cunningham Rural High School and Kansas State College at Manhattan, where he was also a member of the College R.O.T.C.

He joined Studebaker in 1927.

Mr. Zenzinger is well known in this community, having visited relatives and friends here many times. He was the brother

of the late Mrs. Albert (Olinda) Sterneker.

Easter Sunday Sunrise Services will be held at the Christian Church, Easter Sunday morning, beginning at 5:45 o’clock.

Breakfast will be served in the church undercroft following the services. A 25-cent charge will be made for the breakfast.

The public is welcome to attend the services.

The Kingman County Grade School Music Festival was held in the Cunningham Rural High School Gym-Auditorium last Friday afternoon.

Over 650 grade school students presented the program, “It’s Hootenanny Time,” to a goodly crowd, slimmed perhaps by the inclement weather.

Mrs. Bill Bradley of Cunningham, served as the festival chairman.

Schools participating in the festival were Adams, Belmont, Cunningham, H.H. and C., Murdock, Ninnescah, Spivey, Norwich, Nashville, Zenda, Waterloo, and St. John’s Lutheran.

Music teachers of the county schools include Keith Richardson at Adams, Mrs. Marvin Blumanhourst at H.H. and C., Mrs. Lola Maxwell at Norwich, Mrs. Jessica Gatz at Cunningham, and Mrs. Bradley at Nashville, Belmont, Zenda, Spivey, Waterloo, and Murdock.

March 26, 1958 – Enrollment at Cunningham Rural High School has reached its highest in the history of the school! Principal Will Seacat announced that 111 students are enrolled in high school.

The High School Board of Education announced this week that the entire faculty of the past year has been re-hired for the coming year.

They are Principal and Mrs. Will Seacat, Mrs. Lynn Spencer, Warren Fouse, Russell Willis,



Weldon Allen, Gerald Keenan, and Ronald Burgess.

It is believed that this is the first time in the history of the Cunningham school system that the entire faculties of both the grade and high schools have been re-hired for consecutive years.

No candidates filed for city offices at the City Election to be held Tuesday, April 7, according to City Clerk Elmer Steffen. No names will be printed on the ballot.

March 25, 1954 – Two new homes are in the process of construction in Cunningham at the present time. Mrs. Fern Huhman is building a new home in the south part of town, and Leroy Needham is erecting a new residence in the northeast part of town.

Coach Nelson Hartman has twenty-six aspiring candidates out for track this spring, eleven of which are returning lettermen. The squad will participate in nine track meets with the first one being held here next Wednesday with Zenda and Nashville.

We found out that several of our subscribers read the Clipper from “cover to cover.” We made a mistake in last week’s issue in reporting a fire at the Addie Wilson farm, when it should have been the Addie Wetherall farm. Some of our readers let the mistake pass on the front page, but by persistent pursuing of the correct news through the next eight pages, found the “truth of the matter” in the Classified Department on the back page where they read a Card Of Thanks from Mrs. Wetherall thanking those who helped extinguish a brooder house fire at her farm the previous Saturday night. We are sorry for the mistake, but this should be a good lesson to our readers – read the whole paper.

March 25, 1949 – Cunningham high

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YEARS AGO

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school received six I ratings out of nine entries in the Kingman County High School Music Festival held at Norwich last Friday.

They were as follows: Marilyn Oak, Howard Elrod, Paul Goetz, Girls Triple Trio, Girls Glee Club, and Mixed Chorus. Those receiving II ratings were Norma Watkins, Mary Smith, and Elva Mae Gagnebin.

Miss Helen Luce, Miss Ann Hauser, and E. R. Smizer were accompanists.

Trap Shoot, Sunday, March 27 at Leo DeWeese Farm, Hams – Bacon, Meade Creek Gun Club

The J. O. Y. Endeavor group enjoyed a St. Patrick's party Friday evening in the Christian church basement.

Those present were Pat White, Donna Renner, Johnna Cooley, Janice Spain, and the hostess, Mrs. Kenneth Crosley and co-hostess Mrs. Mark White.

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March 24, 1939 –

Art Therapy Project Receives Grant

When Paula Sellens was elected American Legion Auxiliary District Eight President in 2016, she was charged with developing a President's Project to benefit veterans. She launched an art therapy program for Fort Dodge Soldier's Home. She obtained funding from an art auction the first year, then received two grants from the Community

Cunningham High School tied with Adams High School for first honors of Highly Superior in the one-act play contest in the County League Forensic Festival held at Adams, Tuesday evening, and won two third place honors in the Reading and Extemporaneous Speaking contests in the afternoon.

Eight high schools from over the county participated in the Festival, Adams, Belmont, Cunningham, Nashville, Norwich, Penalosa, Spivey, and Zenda.

The one-act play, "The First Dress Suit," in which Phillip Fee, Bernice Hardraker, Jean Fee, and Dean Cooley took part, was a grand comedy and was splendidly played.

In the afternoon contests, Phillip Fee placed third in the Reading, and Dale Sheldon ranked third in Extemporaneous Speaking, both receiving the rating of Excellent.

Formal dedication services for the new Junior College of Pratt took place in the Auditorium of the College, and on Friday evening, an "open house" will close the week of dedicatory services, which began Sunday with a union church service.

Menzo Hainline, publisher of the Kingman Leader-Courier, an-

Foundation of Southwest Kansas to keep pace with the growing popularity of the project.

The initiative received continued support with additional funding from Kansas Department Legion Commander Dan Wiley and the Dodge City Chapter of the Retired Teachers Association. National American Legion Auxiliary Executive Committeewoman Jeanne Haas encouraged Sellens to apply for a grant from The American

nounced the sale of the paper to Kenneth G. Meuser, former Olathe and Herrington editor, effective April 1.

On Friday, March 31, The Kingman Journal will celebrate a half century of progress in Kingman with the issue of Volume 50, Number 1. In commemoration of the birthday, R. S. Whitelaw, veteran Kingman newspaperman, who has been editor of the paper the past 31 years, announces a "Golden Anniversary Edition."

March 30, 1934 – Dow "Doc" Caldwell, 35, oil field truck driver for the Skelly Oil Co., in the Cunningham Pool, met almost instant death Tuesday afternoon on the highway about 10 miles east of Eldorado, when he slipped and fell beneath the wheels of a heavily loaded trailer.

Last Friday evening the "Who-Do" Sunday school class of the Methodist church enjoyed a Taffy Pull at the parsonage with Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Shuler.

The party started off by singing songs and later games were played. After a short business meeting, pop corn and taffy pulling were enjoyed.

The Cairo vicinity was favored with a fine rain. So goodbye sand storms,

Legion Auxiliary Foundation.

Sellens liked the suggestion and applied for a Veterans Project Grant to the American Legion Auxiliary Foundation. She was recently notified that her application was successful, and the project was being awarded a \$2,200 grant. Auxiliary members organized a ribbon cutting ceremony at Ft. Dodge on February 3, 2019. The ceremony was well attended with over thirty Legion family members participating.

for awhile at least.

March 29, 1929 – The Western Light and Power company have had a large force of men working in town and the country the past couple of weeks putting the new high line and distribution system in shape.

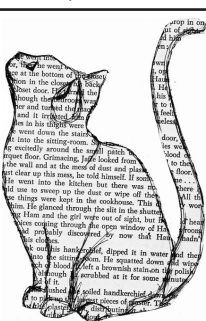
The official city election for the city of Cunningham in the year 1929, will take place Monday, April 1st. the voting booths will be located in the A. C. Houston Lumber company building.

The Lakin Implement company reports the sale of four John Deere and three Fordson tractors last week. Four John Deere tractors were delivered to the Goss Brothers of Lewis, Kansas, who are big wheat farmers in that community.

The horse-shoes belonging to the local horse-shoe park were stolen sometime between Saturday and Monday and when the sun turned out bright Tuesday the horse-shoe pitchers were sure mad.

It was also reported that the Western Light & Power company had some of their copper stolen from their truck which was parked in town over the week-end.

In addition to Haas, dignitaries present included National Auxiliary President Kathy Dungan, Kansas Auxiliary President Karen Hasting, American Legion Auxiliary Foundation President Doris Hammeke, and Ft. Dodge Superintendent Dave Smith. "I am very happy to have access to this great equipment," Sellens said. "It will be very useful in developing more interesting art lessons."



Meanderings

First, I would like to extend my condolences to all elementary teachers who must soldier-on during April Fools' Day this year. The "holiday" is bad enough but when it falls on a Monday.... It makes me shudder to think about it.

Elementary-aged kids love jokes. The jokes don't even have to make sense. They love jokes, and here is a special day just for jokes and pranks and foolishness. And those little imps take full advantage of it.

"Ms. Smith, there's a spider in your hair!"

"Mike, there's a spider on your shirt!"

"Sarah, there's a spider on your dress."

And, sometimes, you have one who just doesn't quite get it: "Knock, knock...." MMMhmmm.

As a once-upon-a-time elementary teacher, the inane-ity of the day was enough to make me want to groan aloud from sunup to sundown.

I can remember one time in which I was truly tricked. Lacy was in my third-grade class. She wasn't the brightest crayon in the box; when she answered questions, the answers were usually a bit off. She wasn't much of a conversationalist and didn't volunteer a great deal.

It was the end of the day, I was counting seconds until the bell rang. The kids were getting their bags ready, talking about the jokes they were going to play on the way home or on their sister or their dad.

Lacy came up to me and said in a very quiet voice, "Miss Thimesch, I didn't want to say anything earlier, but you have a run in your stocking."

I looked down. No run.

"No, it's on the back of your leg."

"Oh, great. How long's it been there?"

"I noticed it after lunch recess."

I looked.

And I looked surprised when I didn't see one. She looked at me and smiled. "April Fool!" she said.

Lacy is all grown up now. Old enough to be a grandmother. I wonder if she remembers how smoothly she lied to her teacher. I hope her children and grandchildren and nieces and nephews plague her with ridiculous April Fool jokes. I hope she groans from sunup to sundown.

I took a day earlier this week (Monday) to travel to Derby to celebrate a birthday with my very long-time and dear friend, Sue. Janice, another, but much newer, friend, and Sue's sister-in-law was there as well. We spent a while visiting, fixed ourselves some sandwiches, and then we played a game of Scrabble. Because the day was so incredibly

spring-like, around 3 in the afternoon, we retired to the deck, put up our feet, and waited on Sue's neighbor and friend, Cindy to join us.

She finally arrived and what a pleasant visit ensued. We talked and visited and laughed. We are all different in our careers and politics and religions and lives and hobbies, but we sure had a great time. I eventually headed inside for something to drink and lo and behold, it is 6:30! I absolutely could not believe it. Cindy left shortly after and Sue and I played another game of Scrabble before I headed home. Perfect day, except for the drive. And I don't remember who won the Scrabble games.

I arrived home, rounded up cats and dogs, did a quick inventory, and headed to bed. And couldn't sleep. Of course. Read several chapters in my book, and just decided to turn off the light and fake sleeping. It must have worked, because I woke up several hours later, all warm and cuddly with the myriad cats piled on and around me.

I am not sure what happens to some cats when they sleep, but some of mine appear to turn into concrete. They seem to gain 30 pounds and become impossible to move.

Others are ready. The very second I start a roll-over, they are off the bed. Once I am settled, they jump back on. Silly beasts.

The dogs sleep through quite a bit, and they don't move so easily, either. Lazy things.

Now, if a cat crosses the imaginary line between the dog-side of the bed and everyone else's side of the bed, there is a low rumbling growl. The cat will paws (ha!), and I say, "Stop. It. You don't growl."

But too late, the cat freezes and lays down on MY side of the bed again.

Tuesday morning I woke to the sun sneaking a peek through the slatted wood blinds. It looked to be a spring day, full of promised sunshine and mild temperatures. And I had a newspaper to put together.

I am a very talented and professional procrastinator to begin with, and here it is a gorgeous day in March. If I was still teaching, I'd be on Spring Break and lolling about in bed with a good book. But, I am NOT still teaching, so I just lolled about in bed with a good book until VERY late morning, and then I came to the office and tried to think of newsworthy news. But, we do live in Cunningham, and news is sometimes hiding under the tables at the coffee shop, and hard to clarify.

But another paper is done. And as always, I enjoyed putting it together.

Always reading,

And currently reading, "Shamus in the Green Room"

By Susan Kandel, Roberta

"April 1st isn't the only day where fools are in abundance."

— Anthony T. Hincks

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Flour millers in Mexico generate strong demand for U.S. hard red winter wheat, the primary class of wheat grown in Kansas. In MY 2015/16, Mexico surpassed Nigeria and Brazil to become the top market for U.S. HRW.

A rising number of industrial bakeries, along with traditional

artisan bakeries, account for about 70 percent of wheat consumption according to CANIMOLT, the association representing Mexican millers. That puts Kansas farmers and other HRW producers in a good position to meet that demand. Being closer to HRW production and having a highly functioning ability to import a large share of HRW directly via rail from the Plains states, is an advantage for Mexico's buyers.

Yet our customers there have many other sources of milling wheat to which they can turn. In response to rising world grain prices in 2008, Mexico lifted a 67 percent import tariff on wheat from outside the United States and Canada. To date, the tariff has not been reapplied and the Mexican import market is currently tariff-free for wheat from all qualified origins.

The United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA) has been signed by leaders of the United States, Canada and Mexico. It now needs to be ratified

by Congress. If it doesn't pass and the President pulls out of North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), Mexico could begin to shift their imports to other origins.

The negative impact on the United States would include a net loss of 256,000 U.S. jobs, a net loss of at least 50,000 jobs in the U.S. food and agriculture industry, and a drop in GDP of \$13 billion from the farm sector alone. NAFTA withdrawal would also disrupt critical indus-

try supply chains, close markets, eliminate jobs, and increase prices for the basic needs of American consumers.

The USMCA also includes important provisions for wheat farmers. Most notably, USMCA retains tariff-free access to imported U.S. wheat for our long-time flour milling customers in Mexico. Congress must vote to ratify USMCA. That is a crucial step toward rebuilding trust in U.S. wheat as a reliable supplier in this important, neighboring market.



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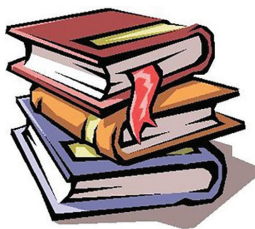


Cast from the high school play, "12 Angry Jurors": Isaiah Reed, Matthew Mercer, Annabelle Hansen, Henry Huelskamp, Alayna McGuire, Lillian Reed, Taner Hansen, Abby Hansen, Daylen Schnittker, Ethan Paris, Vitor Abreu, Michael Willson



Cast from the junior high play "The Last Day of School" Joanna Hansen, Brianna Dittmer, Gage Elliott, Alice Huelskamp, Emily Paris, Luke McGuire, Azaria Smith, Taylor Schultz



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- Division A
Spelling Bee
Winners
- 1st Taylor Schultz
- 2nd Jake Fischer
- 3rd Ada Adams
- 4th Alice Huelskamp



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- Division B Spelling Bee
Winners
- 1st Hailie Hindman
- 2nd Andrew Schultz
- 3rd Kollin Fischer
- 4th Hank Adams
- 5th Adam Sterneker



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- Forensics students:
Henry Huelskamp,
Alayna McGuire,
Lillian Reed,
Daylen Schnittker,
and Taner Hansen
- Not pictured:
Kendra Morgan and
Zach Osner

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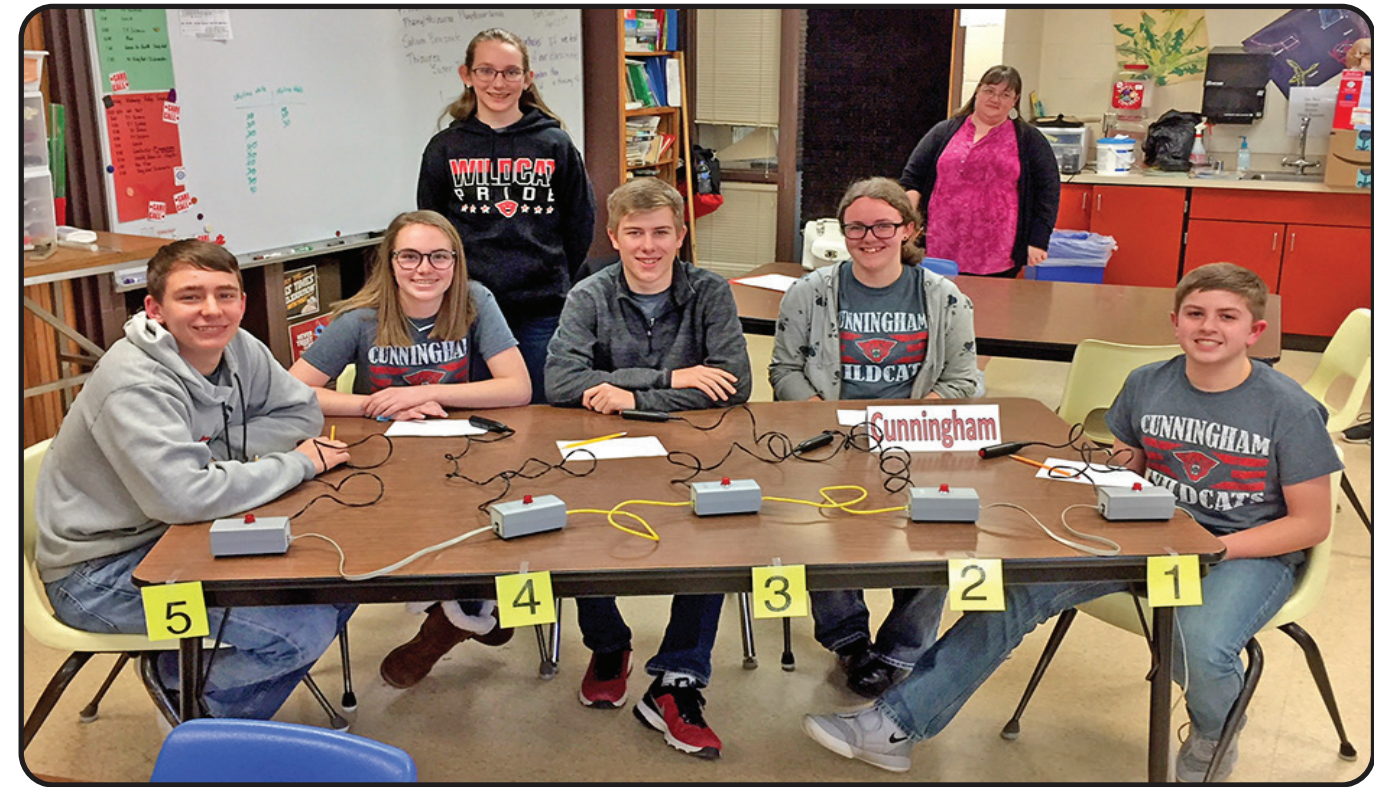




School Spotlight Pages: Academics and Drama



National Honor Society: back: Isabelle Wegerer, Alexa Fischer, Holly DeWeese, Matthew Mercer, Lauren Murphy, Max Wegerer, Lillian Reed. front row: Macy Huhman, Morgan Meyers, Alayna McGuire, Abby Hansen



Junior High Scholars' Bowl Team: Sitting: Lane Halderson, Taylor Schultz, Luke McGuire, Alice Huelskamp, Trey DeWeese. Standing: Hannah Ellis. Rebecca Huelskamp, sponsor, is shown in the background.



High School Scholars' Bowl Team: left to right: Skylar Hennessee, Lillian Reed, Alexa Fischer, Daylen Schnittker, Vitor Abreu, Zach Osner, Nathan Lohrke, Matthew Mercer, Taner Hansen, Henry Huelskamp, Ethan Paris, Michael Willson.



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County Commission Meeting

March 11th, 2018

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commissioners’ Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on March 11th, 2019. Those present: John Steffen, Chairman; Fred Foley, Commissioner; Jerry Henning, Commissioner; Carol Noblit, County Clerk; John Caton, County Counselor

Visitors: Larry Landwehr; Gayle Dye; Carol Voran; Jason Jump, Kingman Leader Courier; Deanna Gerhardt; Greg Graffman, Kingman City Manager; Zachary Bieghler, Kingman EMS Director; Teresa with Marjorie’s Home.

Staff: Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director; John Wimer, Noxious Weed Director and Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning Director.

Chairman Steffen called the Board of County Commissioners Meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

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

Commissioner Henning wanted to add discussion of the Joint Meeting. MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the agenda with Joint Meeting discussion added. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the majority vote of the County Commissioners.

Zachary Bieghler, Kingman EMS Director and Greg Graffman, Kingman City Manager were in to go over the budget revenue and expenses for EMS. Mr. Bieghler also submitted a copy of the sche-

matics for the old Eck Electric building that was purchased for the EMS Services and training facility.

Mr. Bieghler let the Commissioners know that Brittany Jayne will be starting full time as an EMT soon.

Mr. Bieghler went over call times and response times with the County Commissioners.

Mr. Graffman let the Commissioners know that the building they have purchased is a good building and could not of been built for the price they paid for it.

The County Commissioners asked Mr. Graffman how the details are going for the agreements on the Expo Center.

Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in to let the Commissioner know that he has a meeting with the North Main contractor tomorrow and they will start on Monday the 18th of March, 2019.

Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer let the Commissioners know Murdock HHR Project there are still items to handle.

Mr. Bachenberg submitted proposals from Kirkham Michael on Project #2 not to exceed \$16,000.00.

Commissioner Henning wanted to know if the Cities should be included with the Township meeting.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the proposal from Kirkham Michael for Bridge Project #2 and it is not to exceed \$16,000.00 for engineering services. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unani-

mous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners discussed the Nashville drainage and asked Mr. Arensdorf could look at the drainage there.

Bids were opened for a minimum 90 HP Track Loader from the following:

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Teresa with Marjorie’s Home was in to discuss her NRP and the payment of her taxes.

The County Commissioners let Teresa know that policy states that the 1st half of taxes need to be paid by December 20th and 2nd half of taxes need to be paid by May 10th and it has to be followed.

John Wimer, Noxious Weed Director was in to discuss the purchase of a PC Tower. Mr. Wimer submitted a quote from Choose Networks in the amount of \$859.96.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the quote from Choose Networks in the amount of \$859.96 for a PC Tower. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Wimer submitted the County Agreement to treat Noxious Weeds between Kingman County and the Kansas Department of Transportation. MOTION: Commissioner

Henning moved to approve the County Agreement to treat Noxious Weeds through the Kansas Department of Transportation Bureau of Maintenance for the same cost as last year. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Wimer let the Commissioners will have Household Hazardous Waste pickup on March 29th, 2019.

The County Clerk submitted the minutes of the March 4th, 2019 Commission Meeting and the City/County Joint Meeting for approval. MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the minutes of the March 4th, 2019 Commission Meeting. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

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Stan Goetz, was in to let the County Commissioners know that Richard Schott has started today for Kingman County as the Emergency Preparedness Director.

Mr. Goetz discussed with the County Commissioners if they would write a support letter of a power purchase agreement for Flat Ridge 3 and Flat Ridge 4. Richard Chandler from Sempra sent a sample letter of support for the County Commissioners.

The County

Commissioners would like to have John Caton, County Counselor look at the letter of support before it is signed.

Mr. Goetz submitted a copy of the department head meeting minutes for the County Commissioners to review.

Mr. Goetz discussed that there was a meeting held down at the Expo Center about flood plans and maps. The Kingman County Flood Maps were originated in 1977. The Kickoff meeting for fall of 2022 on the flood map updating through the state.

Mr. Goetz submitted a Commissioner sheet to the Commissioners that included the benefits, wages and total compensation for 2019.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Henning moved to go into executive session with Stan Goetz, HR at 3:25 p.m. to discuss and individual employee’s evaluation.

The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 3:35 p.m. with no binding action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Steffen moved to go into executive session with Stan Goetz, HR at 3:35 p.m. to discuss and individual employee’s evaluation. The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 3:40 p.m. with no binding action taken.

The County Commissioners signed abatements and additions.

The County Commissioners signed County vouchers in the amount of \$123,365.25.

The County Commissioners signed Road & Bridge vouchers in the amount of \$38,633.38.

Chairman Steffen discussed with the board the landfill pricing for

demolition.

Commissioner Foley suggested 50% off dumping fees with proof.

Commissioner Henning suggested having the homeowner come in with the bill and get 25% off their landfill bill if they have a grant from the City.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to have all cities in Kingman County who have a grant program for Blighted properties can let the landowner of the blighted property to receive a 25% discount for the landfill if a copy of the landfill bill is submitted to the Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Steffen moved to amend the motion and it will renew annually. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Steffen discussed the plow lot and the Young Farmers Consignment Sale being held on it.

Commissioner Henning let the board know that he discussed the sale with Mike Floyd and he would like to use it this year.

The County Commissioners discussed selling the Main Street lots.

Larry Landwehr talked about pricing for the vacant lots on Main Street.

Gayle Dye said to sell it for a \$1.00 and get it back on the tax roll.

The County Commissioners reviewed bills.

The meeting adjourned at 4:43 p.m.

View from the Capitol

by Senator Ed Berger
Kansas 34th District

The second half of the legislative session is now underway and the action on the floor has picked up dramatically with numerous controversial issues being debated. One of the most interesting parts of serving in the legislature is recognizing how much passion exists for particular issues. There is no shortage of individuals who are passionate about topics and are actively advocating for legislative action. Typically, many issues seem to be black and white and coming to

a middle ground is sometimes an impossible or at least a very difficult task.

Keeping the theme of controversy, Public Health and Welfare had a hearing on a bill that would keep Kansas donated organs in Kansas. The bill was brought forth because of concerns that organs were being sent to other states leaving Kansans languishing on a waiting list. One of my concerns is the parochial nature of the legislation. If all states took a similar position, difficulties could arise to get an organ for transplant if one is hospitalized out of state. Additionally, in Public Health and Welfare, passionate discussion was generated regarding me-

dicinal marijuana. Two days of testimony on the legalization of medical marijuana was characterized with supporters providing experiences that demonstrated relief from pain and even relief from post-traumatic stress syndrome. The opponents emphasized law enforcement concerns as well as the lack of scientific research on benefits. With neighboring states adopting a variety of approaches to legalization, it is going to be increasingly difficult to not have some form of legalization.

Controversy also came to Ag and Natural Resources with hearings on a bill that would allow land owners with a deer

tag to sell that tag to an out of state resident giving hunting rights on the owner’s property. Those in support of the legislation believe that it would be an economic boost to farmers and ranchers while expanding the pool of out of state hunters augmenting travel and tourism. Those opposing the legislation see it as an encroachment on in-state hunters. Currently many landowners are leasing prime hunting properties.

This week the senate floor saw its fair share of controversial legislation as well. Electric rates in Kansas are higher than adjoining states causing interest in trying to determine why. After nearly two hours of debate,

the Senate passed SB 69 which would require the Legislative Coordinating Council to create a study of retail electric rates of Kansas electric public utilities. The purpose of the study would be to provide information that may assist legislative and regulatory efforts in developing electric policy that includes regionally competitive rates and reliable electric service. Most providers of electricity in Kansas endorsed the bill.

The long-awaited school finance bill was passed by the Senate this week allowing for inflationary increases which was the only component that still was in question from the supreme court.

The bill provides an additional \$90 million dollars annually for the next four years to account for inflation. It is hoped that this bill will be reviewed favorably by the Supreme Court allowing for an end to the constant cycle of litigation.

Senate Bill 22, the decoupling bill, passed the House and came back to the Senate and was passed with amendments providing for a one percent reduction in sales tax on food and a tax on internet sales. The reduction of a sales tax on food has a \$60 million price tag and the internet sales tax could generate as much as \$30 million dollars in revenue.

Spring Trivia

If Pope Gregory XIII would not have established the Gregorian calendar, which most of the world now observes, in 1582, then every 128 years the vernal equinox would have come a full calendar day earlier, eventually putting Easter in midwinter.

On the first day of spring, a person at the North Pole would see the sun skimming across the horizon, beginning six months of uninterrupted daylight. A person at the South Pole would see the sun skimming across the horizon, signaling the start of six months of darkness.

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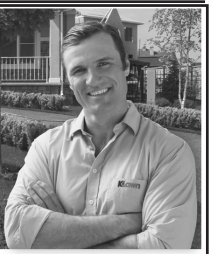
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Failure to observe this notice may result in the County:

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Celebrations of Life

Victoria Henning

Victoria G. Henning Weber, 86, died March 15, 2019, at St. John, Kansas.

She was born January 4, 1933, at Kingman the daughter of John and Mary Bohrer Henning. A long-time resident of Macksville, she was a former bus driver for the Macksville schools.

On February 20, 1950, she married Aloysius C. Weber; he died January 29, 1976. She later married Ken Martin; he preceded her in death. Survivors include sons William, Tim, Frank, and Justin Weber and Brad Martin; daughters Mary Bates, Rita Strohl and Ruth Startzman; brothers Herman and Elmer; sister Joyce Henning; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A rosary will be recited at 10:00 a.m., Monday, at the Livingston Funeral Home, Kingman followed by a funeral service at 10:30 a.m. Friends may call from 3:00 p.m., to 5:00 p.m., Sunday at the funeral home. Burial will be in the St. Peter Cemetery, Willowdale.

Memorials may be made with Kindred Hospice or the Pratt County Humane Society, both in care of the funeral home.



Gregg Kitson

Gregg Kitson, 61, died March 18, 2019, at Wichita.

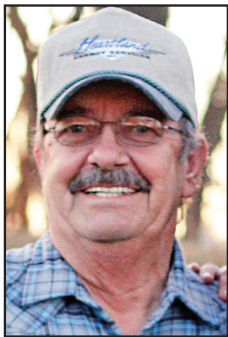
He was born May 10, 1957, at Nashville, Kansas the son of Eugene and Sue Gillen Kitson. A lifetime resident of the St. Leo and Cunningham communities, he was a Sr. Operations Maintenance Technician for Northern Natural Gas.

Gregg was a member of the St. Leo Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus, both of St. Leo.

On October 10, 1981, he married Jill Goetz at St. Leo. Other survivors include a son Chad; daughter Kandi Neufeld and her husband Keith; brothers Don and Curt; and grandchildren Macy and Cooper. He was preceded in death by his parents; and two sisters Betty Hartley and Beverly Ricke.

Parish rosary will be 7:00 p.m., Thursday, at the St. Leo Catholic Church. Friends may call from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Thursday at the Livingston Funeral Home, Kingman. Mass of Christian Burial will be Friday at 10:30 a.m. also at the St. Leo Catholic Church with burial in the St. Leo Church Cemetery.

Memorials may be made with the St. Leo Catholic Church and the Cunningham Recreation Commission in care of Livingston Funeral Home.



Correction!

I went back over the newspaper of a couple of weeks ago.... the one with the double Forensics stories. The computer did not have two forensics stories. The two stories/articles below seemed to have been the ones cut from the printed version of the newspaper. Apologies, from the editor and her technology, to the teachers who sent the information, and apologies to the students who had their achievements omitted.

Cunningham Spelling Bee

by Carrie Vahsholtz Cunningham

Elementary School hosted their annual spelling bee on January 30th. Hailie Hindman, 4th grade, placed 1st at the school spelling bee, Andrew Shultz, in 5th grade, placed 2nd, Kollin Fischer, a 4th grader, placed 3rd. Hank Adams, a 3rd grader, placed 4th, Adam Sterneker, in 3rd grade placed 5th, and Katie Ogg, a 2nd grader placed 6th. The top five students were able to move on to the Kingman County Spelling Bee, on Wednesday, February 13th. Kollin Fischer, a fourth grader from Cunningham, brought home a 3rd place trophy with his word ballerina. He went out on the word federally.



Fourth-grader Kollin Fischer holds his Spelling Bee trophy won at the Cunningham Spelling Bee

Ellen McAllister to Speak in Turon

The Elaine McAllister speaking engagement that was scheduled for earlier this month was canceled due to uncooperative weather. Her talk has been rescheduled for 2 p.m. on March 24 at Turon Community Church.

Come and enjoy the afternoon learning more about intentional parenting/grand-parenting!

Recipe!

Beef & Pepper Rice Skillet

- 1 to 1 ½ lbs round steak, cubed
- 2 tbs. Cooking oil
- 1 cup chopped onion
- ½ tsp. chopped garlic
- 1 cup uncooked rice
- 2 green bell peppers, chopped
- 1 jar pimientos, drained
- 1 can beef broth
- 1 can water
- 3 tbs. soy sauce

Brown steak in oil. Add onion, garlic, rice, peppers, pimientos, beef broth, water and soy sauce; cook until liquid is absorbed and rice is tender.



CHS Students Place in HOPL Academic Olympics

- Last week The Courier pictured a group of students who travelled to Pratt Community College to participate in the 2019 Heart of the Plains League Academic Olympics. Mr. Lance McGuire submitted the following list of students who performed in the top 5 of their subject area:
- Mackenzie Wright Algebra 1 5th place
 - Mikhail Donskoy Algebra II and Trigonometry 3rd place
 - Holly DeWeese American History 1760-1860 5th place
 - Zach Osner American Government 5th place
 - Skyler Hennessee Business Math 3rd place
 - Mikhail Donskoy Business Math 5th place
 - Henry Huelskamp English II 2nd place
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kiowaafg@gmail.com

Sharing Solutions AFG

Wednesdays 7pm

Coldwater Library

211 E Main, Coldwater, KS 67029

620-450-7660

Serenity Seekers AFG

Day1: Tuesday 7:00 PM

Day2: Thursday 8:00 PM

223 N Pearl, Pratt, KS 67124

620-705-1545

Keep it Simple Alateen

Monday 7 PM

223 N Pearl, Pratt 67124

620-862-5492

New Hope Al-Anon

Thursday 7pm

218 N Main, Pratt, KS 67124

620-770-2135

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN EMBARRASSED BY A DRINKER?

Ask yourself:

Do you:

- Search for alcohol?
- Pour alcohol down the sink?
- Cancel plans because the drinker is unable to participate?
- Believe there is no one else that could understand how you feel?

If you answered YES, Al-Anon Family Groups, AFG, or Alateen may be able help you find hope and serenity.

Blessing Box

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

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Cunningham Community Garage Sale Day

Saturday, April 27, 2019

Contact City Hall at (620) 298-3077 to place your sale on the map (no charge).

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Maps available Thursday, April 25th

At FitzSimmons Insurance, Ninnescah Valley Bank, and City Hall, and Cunningham Public Library