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Hannah Klaassen, Miss Kansas, Visits Cunningham Schools



On January 18th, Miss, Kansas, Hannah Klaassen visited Cunningham Schools. She met with the kindergarten through sixth grade students and presented an informative lesson on mental health. She answered many questions from the students.

She also gave a presentation to the high school students, talking about mental health, safe driving and the three types of destruction driving.

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City Council Will Meet January 28th AGENDA

- Opening – 6:30 p.m.
Approval of Agenda
Approval of Minutes of December 26, 2018 meeting
Public comments, concerns, & communications
- Alan Albers
- Fire Department
Water Well No. 3
Sewer maintenance contract
Water Rates
Sewer Rates
Streets
Executive session – personnel (if needed)
Reports
Properties
Maintenance
Planning & Zoning
Animal Control
Financial Report, Fund Transfers, & payment of bills
Adjourn

Public Invited to Opening of B-29 Doc Hanger and Education Center

The expertise of the Cosmosphere SpaceWorks team will be on display at the new B-29 Doc Hangar and Education Center in Wichita when the new facility opens to the public for the first time on Jan. 26. Doc's Friends, the organization that owns and operates the B-29 known as 'Doc' will host an open house and dedication ceremony from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 26.

A combination of working hanger for the aircraft and a hands-on educational facility, visitors to the B-29 Doc Hanger will have the opportunity to watch technicians maintain one of two operational B-29s in existence. Additionally, visitors will experience stories and artifacts related to WWII and the restoration of Doc, a process which was 16 years in the making and took more than 100 volunteers 450,000 hours to complete.

The Cosmosphere was contracted to help with the design and layout of the visitor's and education center portion of the new facility, including historic exhibits, assembly of the artifact cases and creation of coinciding educational curriculum.

Josh Wells is a member of Doc's Friends, the organization who oversees volunteer efforts and fundraising for the aircraft. Wells said that in planning the facility, the group realized the need for help to showcase the legacy of the B-29, and thought of the Cosmosphere.

"We knew we wanted this to be more than a 'museum', we wanted visitors to truly be engaged," said Wells. "We wanted people to see and touch and learn about these heroes—both the war heroes and the heroes of this project, our volunteers—and we knew the Cosmosphere could take that vision and make it a reality."

"It's very humbling to give the volunteers, the war heroes and Doc a home and to be able to showcase this work, as only it could be done here in the 'Air Capital of the World'," Wells added.

For more information about Doc or the hanger opening, please contact Josh Wells at josh@b29doc.com.

For more information about the Cosmosphere's involvement, please contact Jim Remar, CEO and President at jimr@cosmo.org or by calling 620.665.9335.

About Doc
Doc is a B-29 Superfortress and one of 1,644 manufactured in Wichita during World War II. Since 1987 when Tony Mazzolini found Doc sitting and rotting away in the Mojave Desert, plans have been in the works to restore the historic warbird to flying status to serve as a flying museum.

Over the past 15+ years, hundreds of volunteers have worked on Doc and the restoration project. Skilled workers and retirees from Boeing and Spirit AeroSystems, veterans, active duty military and others wanting to honor those who served, have spent tens of thousands of hours on Doc's restoration. Countless individuals and organizations also made financial and in-kind contributions to keep the project going.

About Doc's Friends
Doc's Friends is a 501c3 nonprofit board managing the operation of the Boeing B-29 Superfortress known as Doc. The group was formed in 2013 and is led by retired Spirit AeroSystems CEO Jeff Turner along with other Wichita business and community leaders: Charlie Chandler, Jack Pelton,

Steve Clark, Lynn Nichols, Brad Gorsuch, Ron Ryan, Tim Buchanan, Jeff Peier, Esq., Mark Paolucci, Tony Mazzolini, Jim Murphy, Sam Frey, Scott Flemming and Josh Wells.

About The Cosmosphere
The Cosmosphere International SciEd Center & Space Museum is located at 1100 North Plum in Hutchinson, KS. Its collection includes U.S. space artifacts second only to the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum, and the largest collection of Russian space artifacts outside of Moscow. This unique collection allows the Cosmosphere to tell the story of the Space Race better than any museum in the world while offering fully immersive education experiences that meet the Next Generation Science Standards and introduce students to the power of wondering—asking the critical questions that lead to discovery. SpaceWorks, a division of the Cosmosphere, is world renowned for high-fidelity restoration, replication, conservation and fabrication. Visit the Cosmosphere online at www.cosmo.org.



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SCHEDULE CHANGE

The Jr. High basketball game at Home vs Pretty Prairie that was scheduled for Monday, January 28, 2019 has been moved to Thursday, January 24, 2019. The games will start at 1:00 pm on the 24th with the B-team girls up first and they will be followed by B-team boys, A-team girls, and A-team boys. Please mark your calendars and we'll see you in the afternoon on the 24th.

CATHOLIC Masses

St. Leo

Saturday, January 26, 2019

5:30 p.m.

St. John's, Zenda

Saturday, January 26, 2019

4:00 p.m.

Sacred Heart, Cunningham

Sunday, January 27, 2019

8:30 a.m.

St. Peter's, Willowdale

Sunday, January 27, 2019

10:00 p.m.

Fr. Roger Lumbre

620-243-5451

620-298-2601

620-246-5370

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.

620-532-2684

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

620-770-9507

LUTHERAN

St. John's Nashville

Worship Service

8:30 a.m.

Sunday School & Bible Class

9:45 a.m.

Trinity Medicine Lodge

Sunday School & Bible Class

9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship

10:30 a.m.

620-656-7431

Pastor Dennis Fangmeyer

620-246-5220

Cell: 620-886-0911

UNITED METHODIST

Penalosa

Worship

9:15 a.m.

Cunningham

Sunday School

9:45 a.m.

Worship

10:45 a.m.

Pastor Katelyn Zoglmann

620-298-2090

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Zenda

101 N. Main

Sunday Worship

9 a.m.

Sunday School:

Children 8:30 a.m.

Adult 10:00 a.m.

(3rd Sunday of each month breakfast fellowship at: 8:30 a.m.)

(United Methodist Women meet the 1st Tues. monthly: 6:30 p.m.)

Pastor Ken Keeling

Community Bulletin Board

January 24th 1:00pm

JH BB vs Pretty Prairie @ HOME

Tuesday, January 29th

HS BB @ South Barber

Wednesday, January 30th

Book Club at Helen Long's home

"A Man Called Ove" by Frederik Backman

Thursday, January 24th

Girls 54 Classic at Skyline

Friday, January 25th

Boys 54 Classic Tournament at Cunningham

January 30th 9:00am:

Spelling Bee ~ Group B

12:30pm :Spelling Bee ~ Group A

January 25th

8:30 a.m. ACT Prep Day @ Skyline

Thursday, January 31st

NHS to Food Bank

January 26th

Girls 54 Classic at Skyline

January 31st 3:00pm

HS Regional Scholars Bowl @ South Barber

Saturday, January 26th

Forensics at Kinsley

Thursday, January 31st

JH BB vs. Norwich at Home

January 28th

City Council Meeting

6:30 p.m.

January 31st

Parents' Night/Cheer Clinic

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http://www.kingmantheatre.org/

JANUARY 25TH - 27TH, 2019

BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY

RATED PG - 13

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY 7:30 P.M.

SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.

ALL SEATS \$6.00

THROWBACK THURSDAY FREE MOVIE

JANUARY 31ST, 2019

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RATED PG

SHOWTIME IS AT 6:30 P.M.DOORS OPEN AT 5:30P.M.

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620-298-2725. Leave a message.

DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 1ST!!!!

YEARS AGO IN

The Cunningham Clipper

W. A. BRADLEY, EDITOR

1944 – Publication suspended for the duration of the war.

January 27, 1939 – After an illness which extended over a period of a year and a half, Mrs. William Stanley, 63, a resident of this community for almost thirty years, passed away at her home northeast of the city, last Sunday evening.

One hundred and fifteen mothers and daughters attended their annual banquet held in the Methodist church basement Monday evening. A lovely dinner was served and a splendid program enjoyed by the guests, with Mrs. F. W. Dieterich of Spivey bringing the special address of the evening.

Mrs. Dieterich spent many years in China and Japan, where she and her husband taught in the Universities. She was a personal friend of Pearl Buck, the celebrated novelist.

January 26, 1934 – The old Santa Fe windmill went down for the count of ten Tuesday of this week. All she made was a big crash and busted into a thousand pieces. The bridge gang arrived here Tuesday morning and succeeded in pulling the huge tower over before the noon hour.

Gone for ever more is the pigeon harbor and gone for ever more is the signal tower from which the Santa Fe agent used to notify the citizens of approaching tornadoes. Gone but not forgotten.

A business deal was competed on Monday afternoon whereby Mr. E. C. Dafforn of the Dafforn Motor Co., received possession of the Cunningham Garage from Looker & Richardson, who have been the proprietors for the past nine months.

The Dafforn Motor Co. came to Cunningham from Zenda a few days ago and located temporarily in the Haden building.

The Cunningham Garage building, which was erected back in about 1918, is one of the best garage buildings in this part of the state.

Frank Coffman, who has operated a Shoe and Harness Shop in Cunningham for quite a number of years, sold his Shoe Shop to Mr. Earl Steed of Woodward, Okla. last Saturday.

January 25, 1929 – Roy McNamee shipped a car load of mules to Wichita, Monday morning on the freight. He drove down Wednesday to watch them sell on the mule market.

The Tractor Service School put on by the Lakin Implement Co., with the assistance of the John Deere Implement Co., was exception-

ally well attended last Tuesday. Over 165 men registered at the Lakin Implement Co. building. Three men from the John Deere factory were here and everyone present was well pleased with the meeting.

Notice – The meeting for the purpose of organizing a Golf Club will be held at the Bank at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Jan. 25th. Everyone interested in this enterprise, please be there.

Workmen began this week on the new high line between Nashville and Cunningham. The men began digging the holes at Nashville and will work this way. It is estimated that about three to four weeks will be required to complete the line.

The Rebekah's and Odd Fellows gathered at the hall last Friday evening and partook of a big oyster feed. Frank Lunsford presided over the stewing of the oysters and reports that they were about the largest one he ever cooked. A good time was reported by all present.

Jan. 30, 1969 – John P. Eck, 78, of St. Leo, died Sunday at the Pratt County Hospital after a long illness.

Mr. Eck was born in Hampton, Minn., and was married to Mary Reichenberger at Ost, May 3, 1911. He was a farmer and had been a resident of the St. Leo-Cunningham community since 1921. He was a partner in the Eck and Kincheloe Implement Company with the late Sherman Kincheloe in

Museum

Winter Hours

The museum will NOT have regular hours in the winter.

If you wish to tour the facility, please contact Donna Glenn at 620-388-5602

Fundraisers and Charitable Contributions in our Community(s)

Zenda Public Library Book Sale (see hours on page 7)

Community Center (leave donation at the bank)

Cunningham Public Libaray

4C Day Care smile.amazon.com (Kathy Albers 620-298-2725 or 620-388-0774)

West Kingman County Education Foundation

Use your Dillon's Card! Shop smile.amazon.com (Janet DeWeese 620-298-2717)

Hands of Hope (contact Fitzsimmons Insurance or any church)

Cunningham Schools Box Tops for Education

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

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The Courier on

January 28th

February 11th

February 25th

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YEARS AGO IN

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W. A. BRADLEY, EDITOR

Cunningham during the late 1930s.

The Cunningham Wildcats lost their first Golden Plains League basketball game after five straight wins here last Friday night, going down before the Nashville-Zenda Thunderbirds, 78 to 55.

The Thunderbirds soared off to a 16-7 lead at the end of the first quarter; stretched it to 34-21 at half-time, and had a 52-36 advantage at the close of three quarters of play.

Marvin Oller paced the Wildcat scoring with 10 points; Curtis Kitson had 9; Larry Lubbers 8; Gene Albers 7; Mike Schrant and John McCune 5 each; Eddie Panek and Tom Strohl 4 each; and Bill McGovney 3.

The Thunderbirds had four players scoring in double figures. Steve Adelhardt had 23 points; Eddie Vierthaler 18; Kenneth Thieme 15; and Randy Goetz 14. Kenneth Dirks made 4 points, and Mark Danahy and Steve Goetz had 1 point each.

The Cunningham Bees defeated the Nashville-Zenda reserves in the preliminary game, 50 to 37.

Joseph J. Adelhardt, 69, died last Thursday at his home in St. Leo after a long illness.

Mr. Adelhardt was born in Howells, Nebr., and was married to Gertrude Landehr at Sharon, Feb. 28, 1922. He was a retired farmer and had been a resident of Kingman County since 1905.

Jan. 30, 1964 – A 32-point scoring outburst in the third quarter enabled Sylvia to tromp Cunningham by a 79-49 score in a Ninnescah League game played at Sylvia last Friday night.

Cunningham kept up with the Mustangs for half of the game, which ended 32 all.

Gerald Schnittker paced the Wildcat scoring with 16 points.

Cozy Café owners Glenn and Mary Harris feted the high school basketball teams to a chili and beef stew supper in the café, Monday evening. Nineteen boys and two coaches, Lewis Mann and Gary Sebbert, were present.

Cunningham citizens have been invited to join a cavalcade from Kingman going to Garden Plain next Tuesday to protest the re-location of US-54 across Kingman County at the State Highway Commission's first public hearing on the proposed relocation.

Jan. 29, 1959 – Work has started on the new 250,000 bushel capacity Co-op elevator here last week-end by the contractors, Chalmers and Bordon Construction Company of Hutchinson.

Cunningham Grade School rolled past a good Norwich team by a 36 to 23 score in the finals to win the Kingman County Grade School Basketball Tournament for the third consecutive year under the coaching of Fred Garten.

The tournament was held at Zenda this year. Cunningham advanced to the finals with a first round bye followed by a 25 to 14 victory over Spivey in the semi-finals.

Using a tight zone defense, some good shooting by Robert Leiter and Eugene Huston, and an excellent passing attack from Fred Myers, Mickey Miles, and Mike Krug, Cunningham took an early lead over Norwich.

Cunningham's season record now stands at seven wins and no losses.

The high school basketball team evened their season's record of five wins and five losses with a 56 to 43 victory over

Isabel, Tuesday night.

Cunningham presented a well-balanced scoring attack, with Tony Hartle scoring 19 points, Bill Ridge 8, Gary Raney 11, Jack Baber 8, and Duane Wegerer 9.

Forty-four fouls were called in the game, 24 on Cunningham and 20 on Isabel, with Isabel losing three players via the foul route and Cunningham two.

Jan. 28, 1954 – The difference was free throws last Friday night at Harper where Cunningham pinned a 53 to 47 defeat on Harper. Harper out-shot the Wildcats from the field, making 18 to Cunningham's 14 two-pointers, but the Wildcats made 25 free throws off 23 Harper fouls, while Harper made only 11 charity tosses off 12 Cunningham infractions.

Billy DeWeese paced the Cunningham scoring attack with 22 points, and Ronnie Adelhardt contributed 18 scores to the Cunningham cause.

Workmen have been busy the past few weeks installing the machinery necessary to operate the additional storage bins at the Gano Grain Corp.'s elevator in Cunningham. Large augers will be installed at the top and bottom of the bins to facilitate the moving of the grain from bin to bin and back to the main elevator.

Showing at the Cunningham Theatre, Saturday and Sunday, "Let's Do It Again," Technicolor comedy with music, starring Jane Wyman and Ray Milland.

Chili Supper and Bingo, Sunday, January 31, at Sacred Heart Parish Hall. Serving Starts at 5:30 p.m. Sponsored by the Sacred Heart Altar Society.

Jan. 28, 1949 – The J. B. Houston Lumber Company, Inc., was broken into and robbed for the second time within the past two months either Saturday or Sunday night. Entrance to the

office was made as before through a window on the north side of the building, and money in the amount of \$17.75 was taken from the same cash drawer as previously.

Congratulations Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Graves announce the birth of 10 pound ½ ounce daughter at Kingman Memorial Hospital, Sunday, January 22nd. She has been named Sue Ann.

Mayor and Mrs. B. F. Doty celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary, Sunday, holding open house from two until five o'clock that afternoon at their home here during which seventy-seven friends and neighbors called to offer congratulations and best wishes.

Stark Grocery and Café
Pork Chops, 50c lb.
Concord Grape Juice, 20c qt.
Santa Fe Corn, Cream Style White, Cream Style Golden, or Whole Grain Golden, your choice, 2 no. 2 tins, 38c
Santa Fe Fancy Peaches, no. 2 tin, 34c
Santa Fe Red Pitted Cherries, no. 2 tin, 31c
Santa Fe Early June Peas, no. 2 tin, 20c
Bisquick, 2½ lb. pkg., 46c
Cream O Wheat, 28 oz. pkg., 31c
Welch's Grape Jelly, 16 oz. jar, 24c
Aunt Jemima Pancake Flour, 2½ lb. pkg., 34c

Jan. 27, 1939 – This week's issue is being printed under rather difficult condition, as the Editor is taking a vacation in the hospital, and the paper is being issued by the rest of the family. The Editor entered the Veterans Hospital at Wichita last Friday for a medical check-up and several days rest.

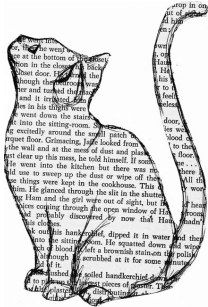
One hundred and fifteen mothers and daughters attended their annual banquet in the Methodist church basement Monday evening.

was given the most weight, at 35 percent. Student services and technology were weighted at 25 percent, and the remaining two were given 20 percent.

For the complete U.S. News & World Report rankings, go to www.usnews.com/online.

About the FHSU Virtual College

Distance education at Fort Hays State began in 1911 when faculty voted to offer courses free by mail so that one-room school teachers across Western Kansas could afford to gain the continuing education required to teach. The distance education department created then evolved continuously with changing technology and culture until, in 1997, the Department of Continuing Education and Instructional Technology became the FHSU Virtual College.



Meanderings

Between 1991 and 2010, William Bernhardt wrote stories about Ben Kincaid, a nerdy, awkward lawyer practicing in Tulsa, Oklahoma. I started the series the last Sunday in November, I remember the day because it was a very snowy day, and I finished the last book this past week. Seven and a half weeks. Eighteen books. Six thousand, eight hundred fifty-one pages.

One gets to know the characters pretty well when you spend that much time with them. I watched Ben grow into his role as a bit of a renegade lawyer, overstepping conventional ideas and occasionally breaking the law to help a client. I watched Christina Hall, his assistant, try to get him more involved with a life outside his career. She wasn't very successful, but she gave it good effort.

Jones, the man who ran the office, was a bit overly dramatic at times. He did his job well; he knew computers and how to circumvent firewalls and security protections. Jones's lovely wife, Paula, librarian extraordinaire, could be relied on to find interesting and important bits of information from sources in the library world.

Then there was Loving. That poor man took more beatings and had more knocks on the head than just about any private investigator in the TV world. Until book #17. THEN he had to get away from it and headed off to Colorado to a school that taught mediation as a means of connecting with yourself. He begged for Ben to go along, but Ben wasn't having any part of it.

As I progressed through the books, I noticed some changes in writing and plot developments and thought those were most likely the times he changed editors. In the first few books Loving was careful about his investigating, but as the books progressed, the beatings he took in his line of work became torturing sessions, and it made the books a bit darker than those at the first of the series. Sometimes I was squinting and wrinkling my nose, they descriptive scenes made me somewhat uncomfortable.

In the last book, a CIA agent named Seamus McKay was working in the D.C. area, trying to stop a cell of terrorists bent on blowing up the national monuments, (they did get the Jefferson Memorial). Ben, meanwhile, who had an appointment with the President was in the underground bunker of the White House with the President. Due to some unusual behaviors of the President, the Vice-

President wanted him removed from office. Ben was called on to defend the President in a make-shift trial.

I got through the last book and in the final acknowledgements, William Bernhardt writes "I hoped you enjoyed meeting Seamus McKay. Seamus will return—now located in Hawaii—in my next novel, *The Idea Man*."

Being as I wouldn't mind spending some time in Hawaii, ala Magnum, P. I. I went looking for "The Idea Man." I could not find it. Anywhere. Not on eBay. Not on Amazon. Not even on the author's website.

I did learned the man wrote a couple of poetry books, he wrote books about writing. He wrote the Ben Kincaid books. Okay, I thought, maybe it's at the end of the Ben Kincaid book list. I scrolled through all the books and AUGH!!! WHAT? In 2017, Bernhardt wrote another Ben Kincaid book! SEVEN YEARS after "finishing" the series, he decides to write another one? GRRR. Of course, I had to order that book NOW so I can finish the series. Dadgumit, I have bills to pay and I need groceries and I have a significant vet bill, and really need a couple of more cold weather shirts. I don't have money for another book. But, you know what? Those thing can wait. I found \$4.37 tucked away in a Paypal account, and I ordered a used book. Then that is it. If Mr. Bernhardt writes another Ben Kincaid book in seven years, I'm not sure I'll read it.

Well, dadgumit. Once again, I've had to redo my column after it's almost done. I was WAAAY over my allotted space. I've just cut about 6 paragraphs. I'll talk about David Morrell's "Creepers" another time. I'll have the second book done this week.

Back to Bernhardt. I have another short series on my shelves by this writer. There are two books in the story sequence. This is all I know about the books' main character: "Susan Pulaski, a police profiler who struggles with alcoholism, in Las Vegas, Nevada".

Ben Kincaid lived in Tulsa, but ended up moving to Washington, D.C.. Two very unlike worlds. And I am thinking Las Vegas is a place that is unlike either D.C. or Tulsa. I hope I like Bernhardt's Vegas as much as I enjoyed his travails around the Midwest and our nation's capital.

Always reading, and currently reading "Scavengers" by David Morrell, Roberta

"I suspect it may be like the difference between a drinker and an alcoholic; the one merely reads books, the other needs books to make it through the day."

(Interview with The Booklovers blog, September 2010)" — Gail Carriger

Online FHSU Programs Among Top Listings in 2019 U.S. News Rankings

In 2019, for a third year in a row, online bachelor's degree programs at Fort Hays State University have been ranked best in Kansas by U.S. News & World Report.

"Recognition by U.S. News & World Report is just the latest testament to the high quality of the online programs offered at Fort Hays State University," said Dr. Jeff Briggs, interim provost and vice president of academic affairs.

"Our bachelor's and graduate programs make the top tiers of the major rankings – like U.S. News and Washington Monthly – and the numerous other organizations that evaluate online education."

Fort Hays State offers a total of 137 degree programs through the FHSU Virtual College – 58 undergraduate, 58 master's, one doctorate, four education specialist and 16 associate degrees. Sixty-one certificate programs, graduate and undergraduate, are also available.

The Virtual College has enjoyed 20 continuous years of record enrollments in both the fall and spring semesters.

"Rankings like these, and the fact that our Virtual College enrollment has grown constantly over the last 20 years, demonstrate the value we have for students in Kansas and around the world," said Mike Michaelis, director of the FHSU Virtual College.

"This is especially so for students who have to work full time, or as close to full time as they can, and who want and need to get an education at the same time,"

he said.

U.S. News bases its ratings for online bachelor's programs on four general categories of criteria:

- Engagement, which attempts to measure opportunities for student engagement in courses and interaction with instructors and classmates.
- Services and technologies, which considers diverse technologies available for coursework at a distance as well as the availability of support for learning assistance, career guidance and financial aid "commensurate with quality campus-based programs."
- Faculty credentials and training, which is an indication of how closely the academic credentials of online faculty match those of on-campus faculty.
- Expert opinion, which is based on a survey of academic officials and employers.
- Student engagement

Lady Cats Too Much For Stafford Trojans

by Coach Eric Meyers

The Lady Wildcats out-gunned the Trojans in league action, though Stafford came out ready to play, trailing just 11-8 at quarter-end. In recent years, this game has been a mismatch on paper but less of one on the hardwood. The early beginnings of this game suggested a repeat as their speeding bullet of a guard, Emily Greene, was simply a blur. Another 11 points in quarter #2 while shutting out the Trojans was more in line with my expectations, but we were mis-firing aplenty and didn't look as sharp as we have in recent games. We faced a zone defense all night and moved the ball with ease to produce very makeable shots, but we were off target on many

of them. The Trojans have difficulty scoring as evidenced by the scant number of points they scored over the final three quarters to reach the finish line behind the Lady Cats, 40-17.

A paltry 28% measures our inaccuracy from the field on 19 of 50 shots, but we were good from the free throw line with a 7 for 10 performance. Morgan Meyers dropped in 14 points for Cunningham and Holly DeWeese was a solid contributor with 10 points of her own. Edging close to double-digit scoring was Mackenzie Wright as she scored 9 points while starting in place of an ill Maddie Panek. The balance of our scoring came from Alayna McGuire (4) and Lauren Murphy (3).

Morgan grabbed a team high 7 rebounds while Holly maintained her consistent rebounding effort in grabbing 6.



Left: Alayna McGuire scores two

Below: Mackenzie Wright



Lauren Murphy plays defense



mark our return to action vs. Skyline in Round 1 of the 54 Classic.

Lady Cats Turn Back Upset-Minded Skyline

by Coach Eric Meyers

For whatever reason, the Skyline girls always play with extra effort and motivation when we are their opponent. More than one of their fans asserted as much following our opening round victory in the 54 Classic. Our girls know to be very guarded and ready to play. We came out of the gate fast, claiming a 13-8 lead after one quarter and extending that lead with an excellent second quarter when we outscored Skyline 20-6. Our lead of 19 by intermission was never really threatened, but we're fortunate for the good first half because Skyline outscored us in both second half quarters to produce a final score of 42-29. The scoring lapse in the second half was not intentional,

and the scorebook reveals we managed just one basket during that time on just 11 attempts. We leave too many point-blank opportunities on the table and 10 second half turnovers didn't help. Against Kinsley in the semifinals we will need to convert, for sure!

I'm not sure how to explain shooting 59% from the field in the first half but only 9% in the second half, but we did it. For the game, we shot 42%, and at the line, 10 of 16 for 63%. Morgan Meyers led in the scoring column with 17 but two other players reached double digits as well as Holly DeWeese and Lauren Murphy scored 11 apiece. Hunter McGuire netted a three pointer to round out the scoring.

Holly grabbed six rebounds to pace our team while Morgan had 5 and Maddison Panek 4. Holly and Morgan tied for the



lead in steals with 4 and Holly dished out 4 assists to lead the way.



Above left: Maddie Panek
Middle: Lauren Murphy
Right: Holly DeWeese

all photos by Molly Morgan

Wildcats Lose to Thunderbirds in Classic

by Coach Bob Stackhouse

The Cunningham Wildcats started the 2019 54 Classic with a 63 to 15 loss to the one seeded Skyline Thunderbirds.

The Cats scored almost half of their points in the first quarter, scoring seven points. Daylen Schnittker made five of the points on a basket and a traditional three-point play. Austin Snow was two for two from the free throw line. Skyline tallied 15 points to take the first quarter lead.

The Wildcats had difficulty maneuvering the full court press applied by the Thunderbirds and gave up 27 points

after many turnovers. Schnittker made two more free throws for the only scoring for Cunningham. The half ended with Skyline leading 42 to 9.

Skyline added 15 points to their total in the third quarter and held the Cats to three points on a three-point shot by Isaiah Reed.

The running clock was implemented in the fourth quarter as Skyline led by 45 points at the end of the third quarter. Cunningham scored three more points on a second three-point basket by Reed. Skyline scored six points to finish the game 63 to 15.

Taner Hansen had seven rebounds and Vitor Abreu finished with three steals.

Cunningham Plays for Seventh Place

The Cunningham Wildcats earned a place in the seventh place game in the 54 Classic by falling to the Norwich Eagles

14-66 on January 22, 2019.

The Cats played the first half with little enthusiasm which allowed the Eagles to jump out to a 22 to zero first quarter lead. The Cats did get on the scoreboard in the second quarter on a shot

in the lane by Vitor Abreu and two free throws by Daylen Schnittker.

The Wildcats did play better in the third and fourth quarters. Abreu and Schnittker again scored all eight points for the Cats with Schnittker scoring six and Abreu

adding two points. Taner Hansen scored the lone two points for Cunningham to end the game at 14 to 66.

Cunningham will play Kinsley on Friday at 3:30 for seventh place.



Above left: Austin Snow
Above: Taner Hansen
Left: Shawn Snow



Concessions at the 54 Classic

Friday, January 25, the German Exchange group will have the concessions at the finals of the Boys 54 Classic. We will be serving Pulled Pork Sandwiches as well as the traditional hot dogs, nachos and candy. Another unique feature for the evening will be homemade funnel cakes! Come on out for some great basketball and support the German Exchange program.



CJH Fares Over Fairfield

by Coach Lance McGuire

The Junior High boys came away with a win against Fairfield on the 17th, bringing their league record to 5 wins, 2 losses. We put a whopping 17 points on the board in the first quarter, doing much of our damage in the paint. Lane Halderson was very hot scoring 11 of his season high 20 points in the first quarter.

The Wildcats limited turnovers and continued to pressure the Falcons throughout the game to win by 6. Despite being out sized, the boys did a great job of getting rebounds and attacking inside. We weathered the 3rd and 4th quarters with some foul trouble, and were thankful for that strong start! In addition to leading the team in points Lane grabbed 6 rebounds. Luke McGuire and Caleb Panek both cleaned up 5 boards.



Clockwise from upper left:
Lane Halderson plays defense
Luke McGuire passes to Caleb Panek.
Trey DeWeese passes to Will Wegerer
Molly mentioned this photo in a note to me. Trey is dribbling the ball down the court, and Molly snapped the shot just as the ball hit the floor. Interesting picture.

all photos by Molly Morgan



CJH Cheer squad perform during the game with Fairfield.



A Bit of Winter Volleyball

Three of our Cunningham elementary and middle school girls participate on Pratt Impact Volleyball teams.

Molly Morgan took these photos during a recent tournament:

Left: Kyra Morgan
Below right: Ellie McGuire
Below left: Taylor Schultz



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Kansas Profile – Now That’s Rural: Clara Reyes, Dos Mundos

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

Two worlds. When a person from one country comes into a different country, it can feel to them like they have entered another world. That feeling caused one woman to create a bilingual newspaper so as to help others through such transitions. She has gone on to provide outstanding leadership for the Hispanic community in the Kansas City region.

Clara Reyes is the founder and owner of Dos Mundos, which literally translated means Two Worlds. Dos Mundos is

the Spanish and English language newspaper in Kansas City.

Clara grew up in Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico. She wanted to pursue a career as a dentist and graduated from the University of Guadalajara. In 1964, she traveled to Kansas City to explore pursuing her education in dentistry. While there, she met Manuel Reyes and a romance ensued.

After a brief courtship, he followed her to Guadalajara where they were married. Then they moved to his home area in Overland Park.

“When I came from Mexico, I didn’t know any English,” Clara said. She quickly found that tasks which came easy to a U.S. citizen, such as opening a checking account or paying a telephone bill, were monumental challenges for someone unfamiliar with

the language or the culture. She wished she had a bicultural, Spanish-language aid to help her adapt to her new country.

Clara spent several years as a student, homemaker, mother of two and then a real estate agent in Kansas City. “I saw people from Mexico who wanted to buy a house but didn’t know how to get loans or sign up for utilities,” Clara said.

She set out to find assistance for them. “I went to the gas company and they said, ‘Yes, we want to help and we have bilingual information, but we don’t know how to disseminate it,’” Clara said. The Chamber of Commerce indicated something similar. “They said, ‘We need some way to communicate with the Hispanic community.’”

In 1981, with support of her husband and children, Clara began a bilingual newspaper

which could help inform the Hispanic community.

“We started with a typesetter in our basement,” Clara said. The newspaper was called Dos Mundos, meaning two worlds. The company logo shows two globes connecting with each other.

Rather than producing the paper only in Spanish, she chose to use both Spanish and English. “We did it in bilingual form because we wanted others to read and know our needs also,” Clara said.

Dos Mundos was the first bilingual newspaper in Kansas City. It has now grown to become the largest and most read Hispanic paper in the area. The company’s market profile shows that the circulation region extends beyond Kansas City to rural communities such as Oskaloosa, Ottawa and Mound City,

population 694 people. Now, that’s rural.

Clara Reyes’ company also operates three Spanish music and language radio stations in Kansas City. She is extremely active in community affairs.

Clara has served as president of the Coalition of Hispanic Women against Cancer, was a co-founder of the Southwest Boulevard Business Association, and has been a board member for the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Greater Kansas City, the National Federation of Hispanic Owned Publications, the Salvation Army, and many more. She has also received the international Ohtli Award from the Mexican consulate in Kansas City.

“Clara Reyes was our Huck Boyd Lecture speaker several years ago, and it was so interesting to learn how

she started Dos Mundos with the help of her husband and children,” said Gloria Freeland, director of the Huck Boyd National Center for Community Media in K-State’s A.Q. Miller School of Journalism and Mass Communications. “For more than 35 years, her publication has filled a real need in her community and beyond. Her work demonstrates that communication can be used to unite people and strengthen communities.”

For more information, see www.dosmundos.com.

Two worlds. Just as the Dos Mundos newspaper has helped to connect the Hispanic world with the English one, Clara Reyes has been a leader in connecting people in Kansas City. In doing so, she has made a world of difference.



Chinese New Year Migration

The greatest annual movement of humans on earth occurs each year in China at Spring Festival (Chinese New Year). This year it begins February 5th and ends February 19th, with a final lantern festival that extends 4 more days. This massive migration is a consequence not only of rapidly growing affluence, but also China’s several decade expansion of higher education.

Spring Festival [Chūnjié, 春节] is by far the most important holiday in China. Traditionally it has been a business-break, a start-over point and, similar to our Thanksgiving and Christmas, a family get-together time. It is a time to pay off all of your

debts; this also means that everyone who owes you should pay you back. Traditional businesses may proportion salaries so that this month you could get paid double. You buy new clothes. Red packets of coins are dispersed to the children. Today people celebrate birthdays on their unique birth day; but earlier, everyone got a birthday older at this time.

By far the most important duty is to visit parents and grandparents, first on the father’s side and then on the mother’s side. In older times, few Chinese traveled away for an education. Marriage was usually with a partner from a nearby community. Before 1990, travel could require papers. And only the few scoring highest on the gao kao exam

could travel off to the limited colleges. Minimum age to marry was higher. And factory workers and laborers mostly worked locally. China’s population rode bicycles and had not yet become motorized. Simply, visiting relatives was a nearby affair. Public transport was crowded but adequate for this local travel.

Since the late 1990s, China’s massive expansion of universities allowed far more students to attend the best universities their scores will allow, often many provinces away. There the college boy meets the girl of his dreams. And girls may meet their “sunshine boy.” Marriage still usually awaits a completed degree and a secure job. But when it comes to Spring Festival, to visit parents and grandparents on both sides of the family may now require crisscrossing the country.

From 1990 through the early 2000s,

many countryside laborers came to the developing regions of China, particularly the southern province of Guangdong, to work in factories. Many couples left their child with a grandparent while they seized this opportunity to make more money. These children are called “left behind children” [liú shǒu ér tóng, 留守儿童]. In China, a large number of children are raised by grandparents while the parents work elsewhere to make a better life. For many, Spring Festival is the one time in the year when the young parents can return home and spend time with their child and relatives. There will be the joy of returning, and the heartbreak of leaving again.

This vastly increased migration during Spring Festival results in chūn yùn [春运] or “spring increased traffic.”

Every bus and every train is put into service.

Tickets for the high speed train can be bought 30 days ahead; regular train tickets, only 10 days beforehand. There is no ticket scalping because the ticket must match the passenger’s government identification card. There will also be additional train tickets sold for standing-room only. Busses will be packed. Airline seats sell out long ahead of time. An estimated 2.8 billion trips were made by public transport during this holiday last year.

China now has more car owners than any other country, adding 9 billion more trips during this holiday. And recently, each year has seen an additional 100 million more trips made than in the prior year.

But China’s rural areas are rapidly depopulating as people move into towns and cities. Modern China is shifting to service industries and management,

moving sweatshops to other countries with lower wages. And university growth has reached a plateau. But the intermarriage of university students from separate regions of China has been the major driver behind this massive migration, and that will continue.

In the largest cities, citizens are stacked in high rise apartments and business buildings. This is a holiday time when everyone may come to ground floor. And in cities such as Hong Kong, that leaves no space to move!

But there will be smiles on nearly all faces. And there will always be the New Year’s greeting of “Happy New Year!” in Chinese:

Xīn nián kuài lè! [新年快乐!]



A Question of Balance

By John Schlageck, Kansas Farm Bureau

“I know farming is expected to be just another business. But I believe farming will always be a way of life as much as a business for me.”

A longtime farmer friend conveyed this message at Kansas Farm Bureau’s centennial annual meeting. He is not a retired farmer thinking of old ways and old days.

While he’s cultivated

and no-tilled many an acre, harvested thousands of bushels of wheat, raised countless cattle and more importantly a wonderful family, this gentleman remains a vibrant, modern farmer from western Kansas.

Truth be known, there are many, many like-minded individuals who take pride in their chosen professions of farming and ranching.

Without a doubt today’s farmer/rancher knows very well his or her vocation constitutes a business. Many

carry a ton of debt on their shoulders while at the same time realizing their livelihood hinges on the fickle fate of Mother Nature. Still, they understand this business of agriculture is more than dollars and cents.

“My most important possessions remain my family and way of life,” my sage friend said. “That’s who I am. That’s who I will always be.”

Some of his fondest memories include late suppers during the bustle of wheat harvest with everyone gathered around the back end of a pickup, eating cold cuts as the golden Kansas sun sinks under the horizon on the wide-open Kansas plains. Other recollections involve covered picnics in the

hay field on a late summer Sunday.

How could he forget a story about a walk through the old red barn about midnight to check on a young heifer ready to calve while listening to other cows shifting in their stanchions and chewing their cud.

And the smells – not just manure, but freshly turned soil, or new-mown hay, a just-filled trench silo full of silage or a barn full of Holstein cows on a cold, winter day.

It’s no secret the farm and ranch vocation may be one of the few remaining holdouts where those who toil on the land seek to balance the headlong search for economic viability with emotional and spiritual wellbeing.

Most family farm-

ers and ranchers have not lost sight of this tight-rope act. They understand to stay in this business of farming/ranching, they must continue to learn how to farm more efficiently, and smarter. Without a profitable operation, they would be forced to leave their land. To exist anywhere else would be inconceivable.

Farmers and ranchers remain emotionally tied to the sights, sounds, smells and the rewarding performance of planting, growing and harvesting crops as well as feeding, raising and continuing the life cycle of healthy livestock. The indefinable desire to carve out a life with the earth and sky remains an overpowering force that belongs in their hearts.

Could it be when asked about their vocation, farmers and ranchers often refer to it as a “business,” rather than a way of life?

Or could it be they are wise enough to know – that must be their answer?

John Schlageck is a leading commentator on agriculture and rural Kansas. Born and raised on a diversified farm in northwestern Kansas, his writing reflects a lifetime of experience, knowledge and passion.



Red Cross issues emergency call for blood donors

Fewer drives, busy holiday schedules lead to blood shortage

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2/5/2019: 11:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Prince of Peace Parish Center, 4124 Broadway

2/14/2019: 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., CUNA Mutual

Retirement Solutions, 1809 24th St. Garden City

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1/30/2019: 7:45 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., Senior Center,

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2/5/2019: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Dodge City Community College Student Union, 2501 North 14th Street Ellsworth

2/7/2019: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Ellsworth County Medical Center Administration Building, 1603 Aylward Pratt

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- Virgil

Celebrations of Life

Bill Rohlman

William L. “Bill” Rohlman, 70, died Jan. 21, 2019 at Harry Hynes Hospice, Via Christi St. Francis, Wichita.

He was born May 16, 1948, at Kingman the son of James P. and Helen C. Probst Rohlman. A lifetime resident of Kingman County, he was a retired farmer and stockman.



Bill was a member of the St. Patrick Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus, both of Kingman; and served in the Kansas Army National Guard.

On July 12, 1969, he married Donna Buscher at Kingman. Other survivors include two daughters and their husbands, Traci and Mark Gunter and Julie and Sean Wille; brother Gary Rohlman and his wife Tracy; sisters Becky Rohlman and Nancy Obermiller and her husband Richard; and four grandchildren Megan and Maci Gunter and Peyton and Ryan Wille.

Parish rosary will be 7:00 p.m., Thursday at the St. Patrick Catholic Church Kingman. Friends may call between 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m., Thursday at the Livingston Funeral Home, Kingman. Mass of Christian Burial will be 11:00 a.m, Friday, also at St. Patrick Catholic Church.

Memorials may be made with the St. Patrick Grade School or Harry Hynes Hospice, both in care of Livingston Funeral Home.

Soup Supper!

Cunningham Christian Church is hosting a soup supper on Friday 2/1/19 in the school cafeteria from 5-7 pm.

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December Students of the Month



USD 332 photo

The character trait for December was "gratitude". Those students earning recognition were Morgan Oldham and Skyler Thimesch standing in front. Maddie Panek and Maranda Lohrke in the back.

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4-H Welcomes Six New Members



The last Cunningham 4-H meeting was held at the community center on January 6, 2019. A Kingman 4-H Council fundraiser is going on with all 4-Hers in our county’s clubs selling pizza kits and pastries. Our club’s annual concession stand fundraiser is Tuesday, January 22 during the Boys 54 Classic. We will be serving walking tacos and homemade desserts.

Six new 4-H members were initiated into the club making for a total of 25 members and 4 clover buds. Perfect attendance pins for last club year were earned by Henry and Alice Huelskamp, Emily and Katie Ogg, Brianna Dittmer, and Kendall Rogers.

This year’s 4-H Day county competition is scheduled for March 3. Members can do demonstrations, project talks, skits, musical talent, etc. to earn ribbons and a chance to move on to the regional contest. For project talks, Kendall Rogers gave a presentation about tongue twisters and Weston Rogers recited a poem. The DeWeese family provided refreshments and lead recreation.

Trey DeWeese, Reporter

Wow! That’s A Lot of Cans!!!!!!

by Mr. Gregory Johnson

On Monday evening, December 17th, the Cunningham Community gathered together in the gymnasium for the Cunningham Schools Christmas Concert. A tradition at the concert is to bring food items and or monetary donations for the local food pantry. This year, patrons heeded the call and brought in the following: Canned Fruit – 9, Canned Vegetables – 72, Canned Soup – 26, Canned Meat / Tuna – 15, Pasta Items / Jars of Sauce – 11 and Misc. Items – 12. Also a monetary donation of \$74.00 was taken. Thank you again for helping out in your community. Let’s give everyone that contributed a round of applause!

District 18

Wisdom to Know Alateen & Kiowa AFG

Mondays Alateen 6pm & AFG 7pm

705 N 5th, Kiowa, KS 67070

620-960-5154

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

New Program!!!

“Lunch and Learn”

February 1st, 2019 (12-1pm)

Bring your sack lunch and enjoy meeting local artist:

JANE UPHOFF

Artists' statement:

I'm a self-taught artist who began drawing as soon as I could hold a pencil. Raised on a Nebraska farm, I grew up loving nature, animals, children, family and friends, and country /Victorian styles. Those things still inspire me today. I first fell in love with colored pencils in the late 1990's. I've worked passionately with them and developed my own style. With controlled application of layer after layer of color, I can build a painting that is full of richness and realism. My work has been displayed at art shows, state fairs and county fairs, winning best of show, first place, people's choice awards, and grand champion. I've designed belt buckles, windows for a church, cookbook covers, school logos, covers for state parks brochures, and other projects.

My cards are blank inside so that you can express your own sentiments. Each 4 1/2" X 5" card, 11" x 14" prints and 8" x 10" prints are of my original work of art, suitable for framing or sending. My husband and I now live in Cunningham, Kansas.

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K-State Students Complete Degrees

MANHATTAN — Nearly 1,430 students completed degree requirements from Kansas State University in fall 2018. The graduates are from 85 Kansas counties, 41 states and 31 countries.

The university awarded 1,137 bachelor’s degrees, 204 master’s degrees, 67 doctorates and three associate degrees. Several students earned multiple degrees.

More than 170 students earned graduation honors for outstanding academic performance. Of those, 69 students graduated summa cum laude with a grade point average of 3.95 or above; 55 students graduated magna cum laude with a grade point average of 3.85 to 3.949; and 49 students graduated cum laude with a GPA of 3.75 to 3.849.

Among those students who earned degrees was Conor Hamilton of Turon who received a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture.

St. John Lutheran Church's Annual Ham Dinner

The Men's Club of St. John Lutheran Church in Nashville will be hosting their Annual Ham Dinner on Sunday, February 3rd.

Come and join them from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

Ham, a variety of salads, green beans, corn, scalloped potatoes, and desserts will be served.

A free will offering will help support the church.

Doings Around Pratt

Meet the Artist – Opening Reception

Friday, January 25 – 6:00 – 8:00 pm

Vernon Filley Art Museum

Please come enjoy refreshments at The Filley and Meet: Bob Benson, \$10 for non-members.

Pratt Community Concert Association presents: “The Pianist and the Artist”

Sunday, January 27 - 3:00 to 5:00 pm

Pratt Community College - Carpenter Auditorium

An auction will be held immediately following the program for the 24”X36” painting drawn during the performance, and for the composition written specially for Pratt Community Concert Association. John Hamm, Auctioneer, no credit cards, cash or check only on auction items. For more information contact Sheryl White at 620-672-1596 or sdw1001@gmail.com

Annual Pancake & Sausage Feed – Pratt Optimist Club

Wednesday, February 6 – 4:30 to 7:00 pm

Pratt Community College Cafeteria

Join the Optimist Club for their annual pancake & sausage feed! Money raised will support their bicycle giveaway project. Call Mark at 620-546-3635 for tickets.

Ascension Lutheran Church Trivia Night

Saturday, February 16 – Doors open at 6:30/ Trivia begins at 7:00 pm

Pratt County 4-H Building

Get your team together now for the second annual Trivia Night hosted by Ascension Lutheran Church! Raffles, games and bonus rounds like “Where in Pratt” and “What jellybean flavor”.

There will be a first place prize for the best decorated table! Registration is \$200 for a team of 8 and includes table, drinks and light snacks. To get registered or have questions, contact Emma Chrismer at emmapchrismer@gmail.com.

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

Sunday, February 17 – 11:00 am

Genesis Center – 123 N Oak

Let’s help send kids to camp by having a great meal together! Meal includes all you can eat spaghetti, bread, dessert and drink. Free will donations will be accepted.

Pratt Community College Performing Arts 2018/2019 Calendar

February 10 @ 6:30 pm – Valentine Dinner & Show \$15 per person

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