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Takeaways From the April School Board Meeting

Note: I did not receive the approved minutes from last month's two meetings. They should be here for next week's paper.

Graduation is planned for Friday, May 13, at the CHS football field.

The students and parents are being asked to complete an online ESSER (Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief) survey.

Sound system and new lighting for the stage have been completely installed. *(Editor's note: I've not seen the lighting enhancements, but the sound at the Junior High Play wasn't very good.)*

The board is looking at bidding on new vehicles for the district.

Textbooks are in need of updating. Mrs. Huelskamp is looking at adopting new Language Arts texts and program. Textbooks are paid out of the general

fund, digital instruction can be paid out of capital outlay funds. Mr. Reed said he would like to see the acquisitions of textbooks and programs put on a replacement schedule.

Teacher Appreciation Week is the week of May 2nd. *(Mark it on your calendar. Do something nice for a teacher.)*

Mr. Reed briefly discussed the legislative session.

Cody Dunlap gave an update on the baseball issue. Kingman said no to allowing Cunningham athletes play, as they need to keep the door open for Norwich students. He is still waiting to hear from Pretty Prairie and Attica.

The CHS FFA charter was granted.

Community Service Day was discussed: Freshmen will work around the school. Sophomores will work with the city crew. Juniors will help individuals around town, and seniors will be helping at the Hope Center in Pratt. The day ends at noon, and the students will

return to the school for lunch and a fun afternoon.

State testing will be done by the end of April.

April 26th and May 2nd are the spring concert dates.

Having been added to the agenda, Steve Shogren with Stifel, Nicolas and Company (a brokerage and investment banking firm) was in to discuss news about the bond issue. He started off saying the news wasn't good. Due to world events, interest rates have risen. The 25 year interest rate the district was hoping to get is now at 3.5%; which means mill levy will go up... to about 10.18 mills (9.9 mills was the projected levy). The district can't yet sell bonds, so there is time for the interest rates to drop ... or go up more. May 25th is the date set for the bids to be opened and accepted.

Mr. Shogren discussed banking needed to hold the 13.2 million, he discussed the Municipal Investment Pool

and insurance for municipal bonds to ensure that the bonds are paid if the district can't meet the obligation for some reason.

Sara Sipe was going to be there, but couldn't make it. She will be working with engineers and architects to create site surveys and run soil samples and all those other things needed to get this project going.

Mr. Reed has hired someone to mow the school grounds. *(editor's note: I am sorry, but I not catch the name of the individual or company.)*

The board accepted the resignation of Dale Hoch, Ag and FFA teacher, and Steve Coleman, business teacher.

The board voted to hire Bailey Osborne for the Ag position and Tanner Bowzer *(not sure of that spelling)* for the business position.

Mr. Ricke is taking courses so he can teach drivers' education in late summer.

Hall of Fame Committee to Meet

The USD 332 Hall of Fame committee will be accepting nominations for the 2022 Hall of Fame until April 21st. This distinction is given to qualified recipients who have made an impact within the USD 332 school district.

Recognition is given for community service, faculty member, coaches, academics, music, officiating as well as athletics. Nominees can be either living or deceased.

The awards will be presented at the May 5th Cunningham High School Awards/Athletic Banquet. Applications can be picked up at the high school and need to be returned to Bart Ricke, Committee Chair, by April 21st at the Cunningham Schools.

Newspaper Fun Page Added to The Courier

Just trying something a bit different for the next few months.

I am adding a 'fun page' for younger readers who like to look through our pages.

I know there are some young folks who read the paper, looking for photos of their friends and themselves in the school news and other parts of the paper. Now they have another reason to read the paper.

The Fun Page includes crosswords and coloring, word finds and mazes, writing activities and other types of puzzles.

Oh... and it's not just for kids! Go ahead, enjoy!

Minutes from Kingman County Commission for April 4, 2022

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commission Room of the County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas April 4th, 2022. Those present: Fred Foley, Chairman; Jack Thimesch, Commissioner Jerry Henning, Commissioner; Carol Noblit, County Clerk; Brandon Ritcha, County Counselor

Visitors: Bob Morris, Kingman Leader-Courier; Larry Landwehr; Catherine Rohrer, SCKCCA

Online Visitors: Caller 01; Caller 02 and Joyce.

Staff: Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Mendy

Frampton, Expo Center Director; Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director and Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer.

Chairman Foley called the Board of County Commissioners meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners signed abatements. Chairman Foley read correspondence from Mike Garrett, CEO of Horizons Mental Health, and after 40 years he is retiring.

Horizons sent correspondence requesting the same budget for 2023 as they received for 2022.



"I" rated Junior High Choir at HOPL Music Contest.

Director Nicole Kerschen not pictured.

More photos on page 7.

Photo by Molly Morgan



Thank You to Lea Anne & Amy for teaching our patients the skills they need to live life to the fullest!



LeaAnne Huffman, OTR/L



Amy Garrison, COTA/L

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National Occupational Therapy Month



Meanderings

Everett Shelton update... there really isn't one. I've been contacted by a gentleman in Laramie who knew one of Coach Shelton's players. I haven't had time to really visit with him via email yet. I'll do that this week. I have the contact information for the gentleman in North/South Carolina who started this whole project. I look forward to visiting with him. I finally called Little River School district, alma mater of Everertt Shelton. I decided that my email message probably went right into the spam folders of the recipients. Phone calls are much better. I first called the district office, and they sent me on to the high school. Nancy said she had lived in Little River for more than 40 years and had not heard of Mr. Shelton, but she was going to ask her 90-year-old father-in-

law about him. She also gave me a phone number for The Young Historical Library there in Little River. I gave them a call, but they are only open on Thursdays from 10 to 5. It was Friday. I did leave a message. We shall see. While I was looking through old newspapers for information about Mr. Shelton, I found it is a very common name. One article I found was particularly interesting. It is a story I found in several newspapers, but it happened in Asheville, North Carolina on February 25, 1895: A special to the Citizen from Marshall says: A fight occurred in Shelton Laurel last night, in which Everett Shelton was shot and supposed to be mortally wounded by James Stanton, who made his escape. At the same time and place Boss Stanton was shot and killed by Baxter Shelton. At the time he was shot he was making a brutal assault on Shelton with a pistol. Shelton first begged for peach, but Stanton was determined to fight. The affray is the result of an old feud." Well, isn't that an interesting bit of writing about and interest-

ing event. I am glad it didn't occur here in Cunningham with one of our more renown citizens. Our school bond project has been voted in by the majority of school district voters. Those who worked hard and gave of their time and talents to be sure this happened are to be commended. Their dedication to this project was what helped to get it passed. I would also like to give a huge thank you to those who asked the hard questions, voiced the concerns of many others, and spoke their opinions against the bond issue. They were not popular questions, concerns and opinions and I commend you for speaking out. Officials, administrators, board members, and council members work for all the people. They need to be held accountable for their actions and decisions. Their ideas may seem like a really good ideas to some of our citizens and really crummy ideas to others, and all should be able to give their opinions, concerns and justifications without being disparaged at the meetings, after the meetings, at the coffee shops,

break rooms and the dinner tables. It is okay to disagree with what seems to be a popular idea. It really is okay. I didn't understand why everyone wasn't asking questions. Whether you were for it or against it. The cost for this project is THIRTEEN. POINT. TWO. MILLION. DOLLARS. Twenty-five years of debt for this district. Why wouldn't everyone be asking questions about funding and money and taxes and property values and the host of other issue brought up? I know many of those who were and are against the bond issue had valid points. They did their own extensive research and from there asked the questions that others wondered about and didn't have the knowledge or resources to research their own information. It is easy to jump on board a project and only see the positives it can bring to some people; it is more difficult to jump on board and see the negative effect it will have on others. The school isn't built. Nothing is set in stone, changes can be made. Everyone should keep asking the hard ques-

tions, voicing the concerns for others, and stating your opinions. It is everyone's right to do so. At no time should we blindly follow any and all ideas that come before us and, of which we are told are good or needed or must haves. Ask questions. Ask 13.2 million dollar questions and voice 13.2 million dollar concerns and opinions. It is your right. I, myself, am not crazy about the exterior look of the part of the new school that will be seen from Main Street. I love looking down Main Street and seeing that old building standing tall and distinguished, inviting people to come on in and learn within its walls. From the renderings shown in the drawings, what we will be seeing at the end of the street is a brick wall with a roof and a few windows. Not very welcoming. Not very distinguished. Just... well... very ordinary. As I am sitting here at my computer, I hear the rumbling of thunder, the howling of the wind, then my trash dumpster banging. I went out and dragged that thing into the garage. The rain acted like it

wanted to come down, but then only smattering of drops fell. Darn. Then ol' Annoying Ned, resting here on my desk, looking out the window, suddenly perks up. He's on alert. I have to see what has caught his attention. I think it was fox trotting down Stadium Street here. It wasn't very big, so I don't think it was a coyote. I reminded Ned how lucky he was to have a warm rug here on my desk to sleep on when the wind is threatening to blow in a story. He just looked at me, then reached over and stuck a claw in Lucky Day's neck. Ned is annoying. Always reading, and currently reading. "Descent" by Tim Johnston Roberta "Do not fear to be eccentric in opinion, for every opinion now accepted was once eccentric." — Bertrand Russell "...when two opposite points of view are expressed with equal intensity, the truth does not necessarily lie exactly halfway between them. It is possible for one side to be simply wrong." — Richard Dawkins

Tallgrass and Tumbleweeds by Gaille Pike Dear Readers, I didn't pay much mind to Day One but then I never do. In my defense, I don't know anyone who lives on The Plains who makes a fuss or lets a windy day stop them from going about their business. We don't ignore serious threats. For those that drive high profile vehicles, more care and attention is required. Of course, we all keep an eye out for fires. Other than that, a windy day's not even worth talking about because one windy day is pretty much like any other. But when two days ago was "one windy day" and yesterday was too and so is today, well then, everybody I meet has something to say. I am in possibly the windiest place to be for Day Three—Western Kansas. I found a web-

site (airportsnet.com) that updates wind gusts every 2 hours. It claims that this region is experiencing blasts ranging from 36 to 53 mph while back east in Pittsburg, KS the wind for now is only clocking at six. If I were a pilot, perhaps this would be useful information but I'm not. And no one around me is interested in how fast the wind is blowing. We just want to know when it will stop. Wind or no, I had errands to do at the bank, the grocery store, the pharmacy, the Post Office, and Dollar

General. I wasn't the only one running around, looking worse for wear, as if my hair had all been styled by maniacal toddlers. Not a single farmer I encountered was wearing a hat or cap. One man I almost did not recognize because I hadn't seen him bare-headed for years. Nor was I the only one that walked inside with crazy, windblown-open-wider-than-wide eyes. And everybody that I asked, "How ya' doin'?" replied, "The wind's getting to me." And then each and every one of them sighed.

I've heard stories of "Prairie Madness" all my life and I've read that it's not a medical condition, that it is an only a literary term used to describe mental illness suffered by 1800s homesteaders unprepared for the harsh living conditions they encountered (or the hard work required to make a go on this land.) I've always suspected that prolonged strong winds helped those people go nuts but I don't have anything to back that up. Days like Day Three make me wonder too, what exactly

this wind is doing to us when it goes on and on, whether we go out in it or just watch it...or pull the covers over our heads. Traegers may tip over. Trashes may waltz up the street. Branches may crash down in our yards. But sooner or later (hopefully sooner) this wind will be a memory. We best hang onto our marbles so we can help each other with the havoc wrought. Until next week—keep your eyes on the stars and your back to the wind.

Speak Up or Get a Grip! Recently a friend gave me one of those grippers you use to open jar lids. She said she'd found it at a thrift shop and, remembering I'd said I needed one, she'd purchased it for me. I thanked her profusely. How nice to be thought of. Except that I didn't remember telling her I needed it. Not that I don't need it. It's just that up until that moment, with the gripper staring me in the face, it had not occurred to me how much I need it. My friend seemed proud of herself for be-

ing so thoughtful. She proceeded to tell me her acquisition story, as bargain shoppers often do, and I pretended to listen while I racked my brain. Had I made any comment that would have led her to believe I was having trouble opening jars? I couldn't remember a single thing. And yet I have had trouble opening jars. If I hadn't mentioned I needed a gripper, I should have. My friend was now carrying on about how often she uses her own gripper, as do her mother, her sister, and the neighbor down the street. And then it occurred to me. What if my friend has me

confused with someone else? Now that person will go on struggling with her kosher dills and grape jelly, and it will be my fault. What a thing to have on my conscience! But what could I do? By that time we were a good ten minutes into the conversation; a conversation in which I had enthusiastically thanked my friend for her thoughtfulness and agreed that yes, I could really use the gripper. It seemed too late to say, "I'm sorry. Now that I think about it, I think you must have me confused with someone else who's lost their grip." But I didn't have the courage. Instead I offered to pay her for the

gripper which I hadn't planned on buying. I was concerned that if I paid her, she'd start bringing me all sorts of things I need, but don't know it yet. I offered anyway, and she graciously declined. It was a gift; a gift that was probably meant for someone else. I took it and use it often, always wondering, am I forgetful or am I a liar? Don't answer that. Meanwhile, my friend hasn't brought me any other useful kitchen items—or anything else for that matter. Maybe she's onto me. Or maybe I haven't mentioned I need anything else, in which case, I could refer- ally use some wooden

spoons. I'm sure this story serves to illustrate a point, though I'm not sure what it is. Maybe just that the longer you wait, the harder it gets to speak up. Whether it's telling your neighbor that it was you who reported their barking dog to animal control. Or telling your parents that you're the one who burned down the garage when you were 14. These are just examples, mind you. We had a carport when I was growing up, and it's still standing. I swear my delay was only an attempt to buy thinking time. But I waited too long, and I

certainly didn't want to embarrass us both after we'd carried on like that. Plus, I was afraid she'd want the gripper back. Dear Readers, I interrupt this blog post to tell you my big news: Black Hills Community Theatre's Well Done Players is again performing a show based on my humor. Alexa's a Spy (and Other Things to Be Ticked off About) will be performed at 7:30 p.m. April 8&9 and at 2 p.m. April 10 in the Studio Theater at the Performing Arts Center, 601 Columbus Street, Rapid City. Tickets are available at https://www.bhct.org/well-done-players.html.... now back to our regularly scheduled post.... Dorothy Rosby

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Thursday, April 14th State Music - Large Group *** JH Track at South Barber *** JH Track at Stafford (JV)	Tuesday, April 19th HS Track at Kingman
Friday, April 15th No School	Friday, April 22nd JH Track at Burton HS Track at Norwich
Sunday, April 17th Easter	Saturday, April 23rd CHS Prom
Monday, April 18th No School *** Teacher Inservice *** FFA District Banquet	Monday, April 25th JH Scholars Bowl at Burrton
	Tuesday, April 26 PreK - 5th Grade Spring Music Concert

Walk of the Cross Friday



The community is invited to experience Jesus' Walk of the Cross through scripture, reflection, and song as 14 stations are visited this Good Friday, April 15. The walk will begin at 5:00 p.m. at the Cunningham United Methodist Church and end at the Cunningham Christian Church. Following the final station, a light supper will be provided to grab and go or stay and eat, according to your wishes. Meat-free options will be available.

**Lions' Club
Easter Egg Hunt
Saturday,
April 16
at 1:00 p.m.
Cunningham
Football Field**

Missing person?

The Class of 1972 is planning a 50 year class reunion! Mike Schrant has asked me to help locate his former classmates for their celebration. Does anyone have (or know of anyone who would have) contact information for Denise Neises? Contact The Courier of a member of the class of '72.

Community Wide Garage Sales

Cunningham will be holding their city-wide garage sale on Saturday, April 30th. (See classifieds page for more information.)

ALSO Kingman will be having their City Wide Garage Sale on Friday, April 29th and Saturday, April 30th



Book Club will meet April 27th.
"Our Darkest Night" by Jennifer Robeson

Want to Attract Monarch Butterflies?
Alan Albers will be going to the plant sale sponsored by Dyck's Arboretum. If you'd like him to pick up some milkweed plants for you, give him a call at 620-298-2725.

Planning and Zoning Will Meet April 21, 2022

Cunningham, KS 67035
Cunningham Planning Commission Meeting
April 21, 2022 Agenda
Meeting at City Hall, 119 N. Main, 6:00 p.m.
Opening of meeting
Approval of Agenda
Review of Building Permit
Discuss Chairman Vacancy
Motion to adjourn.

Kingman County Drug Take Back Day

Saturday, April 30-10:00AM-2:00PM Law Enforcement Center Parking Lot 120 N Spruce, Kingman

The Drug Enforcement Administration, along with law enforcement partners, has removed over 15.2 million pounds of unneeded prescriptions from medicine cabinets across the country since the inception of the National Prescription Drug Take Back Day.

DEA's National Prescription Take Back Day addresses a vital public safety and public health issue in our country. A majority of people who misused a prescription medication obtained the medicine from a family member or friend. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported in 2020, more than 93,000 people died of drug overdoses in the U.S., marking the largest number of drug-related deaths ever recorded in a year. Opioid-related deaths accounted for 75 percent of all overdose deaths in 2020.

On April 30, 2022 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, residents of Kingman County can come together to rid medicine cabinets of unneeded medications, helping to prevent prescription drug misuse. Prevention starts at home. The simple step of clearing out medication that are no longer needed makes our homes safer, prevents prescription drug misuse, and ultimately, can help save lives. Help keep our homes and children SAFE.

"Accentuate the positives - medicate the negatives."
— Amy Sedaris, *I Like You: Hospitality Under the Influence*

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B-29 Museum
is open on Sundays from 2:00 to 4:00 pm
Pratt Army Airfield – 82 Curran Road
Visit them on Facebook at www.prairiebombers.org for more information. If you would like to visit the museum at another time call 672-8321, 672-2444 or 620-797-2919 to schedule an appointment!

Libraries

Cunningham Public Library
Mon., Wed., Fri.
2:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Tues., Thurs., Sat.
9:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Closed for Holidays
298-3163

Zenda Public Library
Monday
8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Thursday:
4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Saturday:
8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
620-243-5791

Kingman Carnegie Library
Mon. & Tues. 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Wed. : 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. : 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Fri. : 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Sat. : 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
620-532-3061

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Sunday at 5:30

April 15th - 16th
Sonic the Hedgehog: 2
Rated: PG

Closed on Easter Sunday
Last Weekend
Held Over!!!

YEARS AGO IN

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W. A. BRADLEY, EDITOR



1932

April 22 – The first terracing work in Kingman county to prevent erosion was done last week on the farm of Frank Albers, one mile east of St. Leo. The work was started under the direction of T. W. Kirton of the Farm Bureau and will be completed this week. Mr. Albers is doing all the work himself.

This is a 65-acre tract and will require about three days, all the work being done with a 15-30 tractor and a 7-foot grader. The ground has been in wheat but it is the plan of Mr. Albers to sow it to sweet clover for the purpose of rebuilding the soil and repairing the damage that has been done by washing.

The work is done in such a way that there is no waste ground and after the terracing is done all of it can be gone over with ordinary farm tools.

Other projects which will be worked are Ray Amick, who lives east of this city, and the Boyle Brothers, who reside south of Spivey.

W. W. Doty and son Devere have taken a contract for the pulling of the stumps along highway 54. Those stumps are now in the right of way along the new 100-foot highway which is being constructed from the city of Kingman to the Pratt county line. There is something over 600 stumps in the highway which they have the contract to pull. Mr. Doty and son have purchased a new Thirty Caterpillar tractor with a stump pulling winch attached which they will use in bringing out the stumps and the trees. They started to work on the job Thursday.

Cunningham is being passed up by most of the traffic these days. The grading of highway 54 and the installation of new culverts makes a detour imperative. However, as soon as the two-mile stretch to the Pratt county line is completed, traffic will again be routed through town and we will be back to normal.

1937

April 16– Skelly Oil company's No. 3 Interurban Realty company in the Cunningham pool is showing for 16,000,000 cubic feet of gas from the Simpson sand at 4,117. The well is believed to be one of the largest gas wells ever drilled in Kansas. It is being drilled deeper.

Showing at the Midway Theater in Cunningham Friday and Saturday, "West of Nevada" with Tex Ritter, also "Adventures in Manhattan."

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Freddie Bartholomew, Mickey Rooney and Jackie Cooper in "The Devil is a Sissy," also "New Shoes – News"

Wednesday, Thursday, Charles Starrett and Donald Grayson in "Dodge City Trail," also "A Boy and His Dog."

Cairo Happenings – O Wilson who was working for Pat Grier had the misfortune to have his leg broken Friday. He was taken in an ambulance to Wichita to the bone specialist Dr. Bence. He is in Wesley hospital.

Mrs. Maxine Lesley, Beauty operator at the South Barber Shop, suffered slight injuries Tuesday when Ollie Laggart backed his Standard Oil truck into her while she was standing in front of the Dew Drop Inn.

1942

April 17– Seventeen additional men to fill the April quota, two of them from Cunningham, have been ordered to report for Army duty next Tuesday. This is the third group to leave during the month of April. Those to leave on Tuesday are: Leo Robison, Kingman; Lowell McCutchen, Kingman; Richard Cozens, Cunningham; Waldo Graves, Cleveland; Robert Robertson, Rago; Theron Sturdy, Kingman; Arlie Lattimore, Spivey; Harry Taylor, Zenda; John Brit, Pretty Prairie; Oscar Bridges, Kingman; Harold McClure, Kingman; Wendell Hart, Kingman; Daniel Tatro, Cunningham; Lloyd Coleman, Kingman; Ralph Libby, Grimes, Calif.; William Winter, Nashville; and Jay Davis, Kingman.

C.H. Sheldon trucked eight hogs to Wichita which weighed an average of 225 pounds each and sold for \$14.25 a hundred pounds. This is the highest price for which Kingman county hogs have sold in about twenty years.

1947

April 18– In a business transaction last week, the Thornhill Café and Grocery Store was purchased by Herman J. Rohling of Cheney.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornhill, who have operated the store and café since November 1, will return to Colorado, where they have other business interests.

Mr. Rohling and family are former Cunningham residents. Mr. Rohling owned the Brunswick Smoker until he entered the Service. The Rohling family will move to Cunningham when school is out in May.

Museum Hours

Contact:

Angie Mertens at 620-532-4354 or

Alan Albers at 620-298-2725 or

Mike McGovney at 620-770-9503

Carde Cannon, Pat Benningfield, Jim Luce, George Rose, and Elmer Glenn were elected to the first five-member board for the District No. 30 grade school board of education. Carde Cannon declined to serve, and County Superintendent Ed Naanes appointed Mrs. Rufus Leiter to serve in his place.

Friends of Robert Cain enjoyed a skating party at Penalosa, Friday evening. Those attending were Lawrence Park, Herman Park, Neva Rose, Lester Park, Ivan Cain, Pat Glenn, Mr. and Mrs. Junior Cain, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Lackey, Calvin Glenn, and Robert Cain.

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General Overhauling of Motors
At Kampling Garage St. Leo

1952

April 18– Enthusiasm for forming a baseball team this year is quite prevalent in the group of men and boys meeting at the Lodge Hall the past two Mondays, and plans are being made to that effect.

At last Monday night's meeting, Leo Zrubek Jr. and Raymond Zrubek were named team managers, and Gus Huhman was chosen business-manager.

The playing site in Cunningham is still uncertain. The high school diamond is considered too small, and the Sterneker diamond too inaccessible. The Sterneker diamond looks like the playing field at the present time.

The Cozy Café will re-open for business this Saturday morning at 6:00 o'clock, after having been closed for the past two weeks for extensive remodeling.

Twenty lucky seat numbers were drawn last Saturday night at the Cunningham Theatre in the "Merchants Gift Night." The winners were Karen Wilson, \$1.00 redeemable at Fee Hardware; Betty Willinger, \$1.00 redeemable at Dunn Oil Company; Donna DeWeese, \$1.00 redeemable at Vern's Mobil Station; Richard Baker, \$1.00 redeemable at HiWay Café; Leroy Schnittker, \$1.00 redeemable at Olmstead and Stark Grocery; Raphael Eck, \$1.00 redeemable at Buntmeyer Electric; Ed Hagamen, \$2.00 redeemable at Bowersock Mills and Power Company; Wally Becker, \$1.00 redeemable at Gano Grain Corporation; Ronnie Peterson, \$2.00 redeemable at Hauser's Self-Service Market; Frank Mauler, \$2.00 redeemable at Dunn Oil Company; Anita Murphy, \$2.00 redeemable at Dick's Drug Store; Richard Krug, \$2.00 redeemable at J. B. Houston and Son Lumber Co.; Donnie Becker, \$2.00 redeemable at Jone's Café; Ivan Cain, \$2.00 redeemable at Kincheloe Implement Co.; Joyce Chaney, \$1.00 redeemable at HiWay Café; Orville Mefford, \$1.00 redeemable at Fee Hardware; John Schnittker, \$2.00 redeemable at Patton's Service Station; Colene Fitzsimmons, \$1.00 redeemable at Jones' Café; Charles Meyers, \$1.00 redeemable at Buntmeyer Electric; and Virginia Krug, \$1.00 redeemable at Standard Service Station.

1957

April 18– A star-studded, blue canopied ceiling, snow-covered Russian thistles, iced evergreens, an igloo, Northern lights, and huge simulated snow men completed the Winter Wonderland setting for the 56 guests at the Junior-Senior Banquet in the old gym, Saturday evening.

Terry Winters served as Toastmaster for the evening, and the program included short talks by Ricky Rathbun, Karen Rose, Sondra Dunn, and Principal Will Seacat, vocal solos by Juanita Crosley and Kent Shelman, and a clarinet solo by Jerry Hazlett.

The sumptuous dinner was prepared by the mothers of the Junior Class members, and served by the Sophomore Class girls and boys, Diana Rathbun, Sharon Peterson, Anita Millsap, Billy Ridge, Gary Raney, and Jerry Alley.

Members of the Senior Class are Lois Baker, Herman Bayer, Gladys Becker, Darrel Bowers, Sondra Dunn, Alvin Epp, Melva Fitzsimmons, Jeanine Garrigues, Virginia McClellan, Leo Mertens, LeRoy Mertens, Ray Peterson, Ricky Rathbun, Bill Schnittker, Elaine Seever, Larry Shaffer, Kent Shelman, and Kay Wilson.

Members of the Junior Class are John Alley, Donald Becker, Pat Becker, Dale Boswell, Doyle Buntmeyer, Juanita Crosley, Jerry Hazlett, Judy Huffman, Raymond Lawson, Tom Pennock, Karen Rose, Janet Sallee, Linda Shaffer, Linda Singleton, Janie Theis, Marsha Thompson, Deanna Vermillion, Terry Winters, and Bob Zrubek.

Members of the faculty are Mrs. Dorothy Spencer, Mrs. Wilma Seacat, Mrs. Sally Curry, Paul Noel, Warren Fouse, Donald Lamb, and Will Seacat.

1962

April 19 – Apparent low bidder for the four-block street improvement project on Cunningham's North and South Main Street is Klaver and Wallace Construction Company of Kingman.

At the bid opening meeting in the Lodge Hall, Tuesday evening, the Kingman firm's bid was \$27,082.30, nearly \$2,000 lower than the next lowest

bid of \$29,049.77 of the Mid-Kansas Construction Company of Wichita.

Forty-eight pints of blood were donated to the Red Cross Bloodmobile during their visit here, Monday.

Easter Sunday Sunrise Services, sponsored by the young people of the Methodist, Baptist, and Christian Churches, will be held at the west side of the football field, Sunday morning, April 22, at 6:00 o'clock.

The annual meeting of the Cairo Co-operative Equity Exchange will be held in the Glendale School Auditorium, Friday evening, May 4, with dinner at 5:30 o'clock, followed by the business meeting at 7:30 o'clock.

The exchange operates three grain elevators and an LP gas station. Dale Parsons of Cairo, is the General Manager; Dewey Cooley is the Cunningham manager, and John Block manages the Waldeck facility.

Dr. and Mrs. Ferd Burnett observed their Golden Wedding Anniversary, Sunday, with an open house at their home. Over two hundred and fifty relatives and friends called to congratulate the honorees.

1967

April 20– The response to the visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile to St. Leo, Monday, was very gratifying. There were 80 pints of blood received, exceeding the quota by 20 pints, with 28 pints designated as "replacement pints."

There were four first-time donors, Theresa Thimesch and Jim Kelso of Cunningham, Sally Theis of Nashville, and Mrs. Martha Rohlman of Kingman.

The one-gallon donors were Richard Strohl and Merle McCune of Cunningham, Kenneth Theis of Turon, and John Demmer of Kingman.

Benny Bock of Kingman, was a two-gallon donor. Three-gallon donors were Elizabeth Freund and Clarence Fischer of Cunningham. There was one four-gallon donor, Elmer Greiving of Nashville.

Cecil Sheldon, 78, died last Friday at Memorial Hospital in Kingman. Mr. Sheldon was a retired farmer, and spent his youthhood as a school teacher. He taught in the Kingman County schools for two years, and was a government teacher and school superintendent in the Philippine Islands from 1912 to 1920. The family moved to Cunningham in 1937 from Western Kansas. Mr. Sheldon was the inventor and manufacturer of the Sheldon Tractor Filler Pump, many thousands of which were sold and are in use in the United States and many foreign countries.

The CHS track team came in 7th in the 16-team Larned Relays last Friday. Jim McCune placed third in the high hurdles (16.5) and second in the high jump (5-7); Wayne Jarmer was second (43-8) and Frank McClellan was fourth (42) in the shot put; Larry Lubbers was fourth (24.5) in the 220-yard run; the medley relay team (Bill McGovney, McClellan, Mike Scripsick, Charles Lackey) placed fifth (4:05), and the half-mile relay team (McCune, McGovney, McClellan, Lubbers) also placed fifth (1:39.9).

1972

April 13- Walter Rosenbaum of Pratt, is a new employee at The First National Bank of Cunningham, and started work this week.

Mr. Rosenbaum recently returned from a tour of Army duty in Germany. He served as a First Lieutenant at Gernersheim, Germany, and was awarded the Army Commendation Medal on March 14 of this year for meritorious service while serving as the personnel officer at the Gernersheim Army Depot of the United States Army Material Command. His term of active service has been completed, and he received his honorable discharge upon returning to the United States.

Mr. Rosenbaum is an honor graduate of Wichita State University in Wichita, and received his officer's commission through the university's ROTC program.

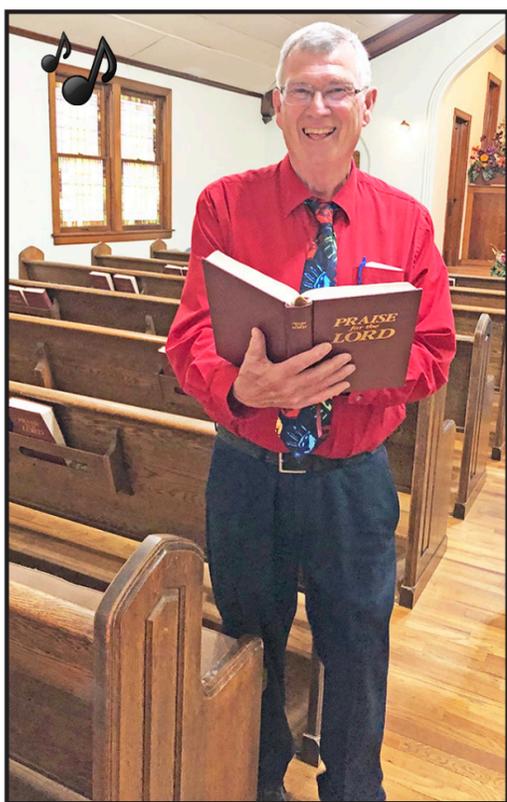
He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rosenbaum of Pratt, and is married to the former Pat Sanderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Sanderson of Kingman. They are the parents of a two-year-old son, John Ray.

Mr. and Mrs. Rosenbaum and son expect to move to Cunningham as soon as housing becomes available.

Winner of the Kingman County Spelling Bee, held at the St. Leo Grade School last Saturday morning, April 8, was Mary Vierthaler, eighth grade student at St. Leo Grade School. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vierthaler of St. Leo.

Macksville High School won 13 of 16 events and easily defeated Cunningham High School, 112 to 24, in a dual track meet at Macksville last Friday afternoon. Kent Scripsick of Cunningham won the long jump and the 180-yard low hurdles. Scripsick leaped 18 feet, 10 inches, in the long jump, and was timed in 23 seconds in the low hurdles. Kevin Rohr captured the other first place for Cunningham, winning the mile run in the time of 5:19.2.

The winning bid of \$62,300 on building Cunningham's new municipal swimming pool was submitted by Ultra Modern Pools, Inc. of Wichita. The bid is well within the \$72,000 allotted for the project. Ultra Modern Pools, Inc. is also building Norwich's new swimming pool.



John Hamm, and He Can Sing Too!

When we think of some people's name, a smile comes to our faces. John Hamm is one of them! Most of our local communities know John as an auctioneer and real estate agent, which he is. Some know him as a pastor, which he is. A few remember him as their junior or senior high basketball referee (myself included.) I believe very few realize that he is a singer and choir leader extraordinaire as well!

Sunday evening, April 3rd, my husband, Russ, youngest son, Carson, and I had the privilege and pleasure of attending the annual Isabel Church of Christ Hymn Sing. If you have never attended, you truly don't know what you are missing! It is definitely one of south central Kansas's best kept secrets, although it is

open to all. It was an evening of outstanding four part harmonious singing of hymns old and new. We sang everything from "The Old Rugged Cross" to "I Stand in Awe."

We sang hymns that were simple and some that were woven intricately with different parts coming in at various times. It was amazing to hear and experience! It was a church full of exuberant praise in worshipful acapella style singing. There were those around us that had such incredible voices on perfect pitch, that our not so perfectly trained voices could follow. John led each song and sang with excellence! It was truly a little taste of Heaven!

Over the course of the last couple of years I have gotten to know John's granddaughter, Kailey Hamm. She has become

very dear to me and my three daughters! They have asked me how she could be so poised and mature for someone so young. I simply replied, "She is John Hamm's granddaughter!"

Some people stand out as being positive and having godly attributes. I have used John as a role model for my boys, while teaching them and talking to them. In fact, my second oldest son, Cody, briefly worked for John before he was called home. Russ often says that a team or player sometimes plays "not to lose." Of course the opposite approach would be to play to WIN, to play with all that you have, giving it your all, 100 percent and then some. I believe John is one of those. His whole life is characterized by this philosophy! My dear,

deceased brother-in-law, Jim McCune, told me while he was living that John was an excellent athlete in his era. Second Corinthians 9:24 states, "Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain." Second Timothy 4:7 also reminds me of John's life, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." I know in my heart that he will continue to live life wholeheartedly and keep the faith to the end!

So, next spring, if you love outstanding, inspirational singing, put the Isabel Hymn Sing on your calendar. You will see (and hear) for yourself "that yes, John Hamm can sing too!"

Blessings,
Karen
Cornelius Eck



Free Bread & Baked Goods
at the
Cunningham Methodist Church
2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Tuesdays

Cunningham Hands of Hope, Inc.

Who: A Not-for-Profit (501c3) organization providing assistance through donations and volunteers.

Who we serve: Residents within the USD #332 school district

What: Food

When: First and Third Tuesday from 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Where: 117 N Main (Old School Board Office)

Why: To provide food assistance to those in need.

How: Attend weekly distribution. Adult of household must be present.

Do you need assistance outside distribution hours?

Please call 620-491-0292 and leave a message. Your call will be returned as soon as possible. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Consider this...

by Mike Johnson

Why Do Birds Fly SO Low?

It should've never happened.

After all, birds have the ability to fly far higher than the path of an automobile. Yet, I can still see the sparrow's panic as he snap-rolled hard right to avoid the on-rushing automobile in the opposite lane. Succeeding by inches, but disoriented and blown violently by the near miss, the bird wobbled into my lane, disappearing below the hood.

Sure enough, I felt that fleeting instant of hope, then the small thud, and

then the cartwheeling mass of feathers in the rearview mirror revealed the fate of the bird's two second judgment error.

Why, I wondered, do birds fly so dangerously low when they're capable of flying so safely high?

Was he hunting for food? Following others? Or just unaware of what he was doing?

One thing was certain. Even though he had superior skills, failing to use them was the same as not having them. His momentary consciousness level had caused him to make a monumental error. And my radiator grill was not forgiving.

Sound familiar? Fly into any radiators lately?

We knew better, but still made that biting remark to the co-worker. Or perhaps we'd joined in spreading gossip with the rest of the gang. Or ate an entire bag of cookies while watching TV.

Unawareness is the

same as flying into heavy traffic. No matter what our talents, once we sink to that lower level, they do us no good. We're only as high - or as low - as our level of consciousness. And we're limited to seeing only what our level provides.

A bird in traffic sees only huge cars aiming right at him. No matter where he turns, he's facing another menace. He's buffeted by circumstance and the world seems a very dangerous place.

But if that same bird would just fly higher -- raise his consciousness level -- he'd find he was safely removed from the buffeting. His higher vantage point would reveal that all the dangerous cars were stuck on one level -- a level that he need not visit at all. By merely flying higher, we leave our problems behind.

The world is not the way we envision it. We're all stuck in our own consciousness level and can

see no further. Don't believe it! There's always something higher! The way to rise is simple, although not always easy.

Merely open our minds to the possibility that something higher exists. Try to detach from the immediate problem. The only one forcing us to dwell on any problem is ourselves. Most of our problems are only dangerous when we're on their level - once we rise higher, we get safely out of their path. We discover that the only power they held over us was that which we gave them. It's like discovering that the only thing causing our headache was ourselves pounding our own head!

We all have the ability to fly higher. What one man can do, any man can do. To truly learn how to fly higher, look to the masters who've already done so - and trust that you can too.

Unless of course, you like radiators.



Catholic Churches

Sacred Heart, Cunningham
Sundays 10:00 a.m.

St. John, Zenda
Saturdays 5:30 p.m.

St. Leo
Saturday 4:00 p.m. St. Leo

St. Peter Willowdale
Sundays 8:30 a.m.

Father Roger Lumbré
620-243-5451
620-246-5370



Lutheran Churches

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

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

Our worship service is found on the YouTube channel at:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCrenCH1219nmpcojCFyYLA>

Pastor Dennis Fangmeyer
Cell: 620-886-0911



Church of Christ

Penalosa
Sunday 11:00 a.m.



First Christian Church

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

Pastor Mike McGovney 620-298-3201



United Methodist Church

Penalosa
Worship 9:15 a.m.

Cunningham
Worship 10:45 a.m.

Pastor Mathew Ndambuki Musyoki
620-298-2090

Zenda
Worship 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School: Children 8:30 a.m. Adults 10:00 a.m.
Pastor Ken Keeling
620-491-0680

Late For Class



A little girl, dresses in her "Sunday best" was late and running to her Sunday school class. As she ran, she prayed, "Dear God, please don't let me be late. Dear God, please don't let me be late." Then she fell.

She got up, dusted her self off and saw that her dress was now dirty and had a little tear. She started running again, still praying, "Dear God, please don't let me be late." But this time she added, "But please don't push me, either!"

Holy Week & Easter Sunday Mass Schedule:

Holy Thursday (April 14) – St. Leo – 7:00 pm TRIDUUM – Mass of the Last Supper/Vigil of the Holy

Eucharist till 10:00pm! (Note: No 8:00 am Mass or Adoration at Sacred Heart)

Good Friday (April 15) – St. John – 2:30pm – Stations of the Cross/Veneration of the Cross Liturgy

Sacred Heart – 5:30 pm – Stations of the Cross/Veneration of the Cross

Holy Saturday (April 16) – Easter Vigil – 8:30 pm – St. Peter

Easter Sunday (April 17): 8:00 am – St. Leo 9:30 am – St. John

11:00 am – Sacred Heart

Fundraisers & Charitable

Opportunities in our Community

4C Day Care Shop smile.amazon.com or contact Kathy Albers 620-298-2725 or 620-388-0774 or leave a donation with the Methodist Church.

West Kingman County Education Foundation

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

Hands of Hope (contact any church)

Cunningham Alumni Scholarship Fund

(send checks to the West Kingman County Education Foundation)

Cunningham Community Center (leave donation at the bank)

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

Cunningham Museum (to donate contact Alan Albers)

Cunningham Public Library (to donate, contact Kerri Steffen)

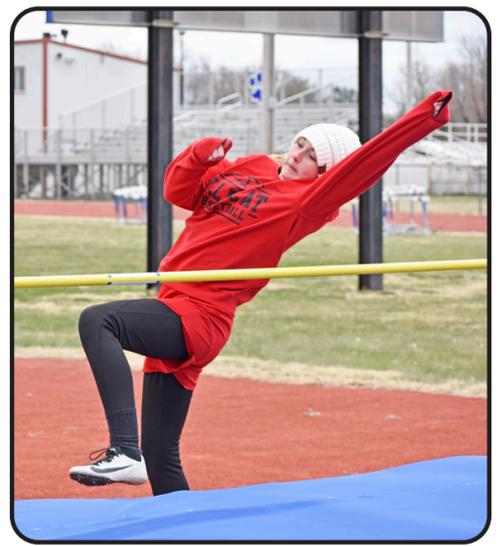
JH Cats Fight the Wind at Pretty Prairie Track Meet

Cunningham participated in the Pretty Prairie Junior High track meet on April 7, 2022. The 8th grade girls finished 2nd with 56 points and the 6-7th grade girls also finished 3rd with 95 points. The 8th grade boys placed

3rd with 65 points and the 6-7th grade boys placed 1st with 154 points. The teams participating included Cunningham, Pretty Prairie, Fairfield, Burrton, Reno County Sabres, and Skyline. Due to the high winds, the 100m and 200m hurdles were not run but a 110m dash and 300m dash were substituted for these races. *(by Coach Bob Stackhouse)*



Logan Kinsler



Emily Ogg

Results:

	6-7 th Girls	8 th Girls	6-7 th Boys	8 th Boys
High Jump		Emily Ogg 2 nd 4'2"	Andrew Kerschen 4 th 3'8"	Logan Kinsler 5 th 3'8"
Long Jump	Piper Perkins 5 th 10' 3/4" Nora Huff 7 th 8'3"	Emily Ogg 1 st 12'6"	Andrew Kerschen 4 th 3' 2" Myles Thimesch 16 th 5'10.5" Gunner Glenn 12 th 8'11.75" Cole Gridley 15 th 7'0"	Skylar Thimesch 6 nd 14'5.75" Richard Vaughn 11 th 11'9.25" Logan Kinsler 12 th 11'2.75"
Triple Jump	Morgan Oldham 5 th 19'6"		Andrew Kerschen 1 st 29'4.5" Caleb Lohrke 12 th 20'2.5" Weston Rogers 8 th 21'8" Adam Sterneker 9 th 21'4.75"	Kendall Rogers 2 nd 5" Andrew Schultz 8 th 24'1"
Shot Put	Kourtnei Fischer 1 st 27'4.5" Whitney Mead 3 rd 25'7.75" Nora Huff 4 th 24'9.25" Andi Young 6 th 21'7.5"	Kyra Morgan 1 st 31'4"	Stephen Kerschen 2 nd 35'1" Layne Green 3 rd 28'3" Wyatt King 6 th 26'4" Sevi Romine 12 th 19'2.75"	Dylan Halderson 2 nd 34'8.5"
Discus	Whitney Mead 1 st 47'8" Nora Huff 3 rd 44'7" Janessa Schnittker 5 th 42' Kourtnei Fischer 8 th 32'6"	Kyra Morgan 1 st 72'7"	Stephen Kerschen 1 st 96'1" Hank Adams 7 th 61'1" Wyatt King 10 th 48'10" Layne Green 9 th 51'7"	Dylan Halderson 1 st 108'1"
Pole Vault	Macy Neufeld 1 st 5'8"		Jack Harden 1 st 6'10" Kollin Fischer 2 nd 6'6" Hank Adams 3 rd 5'4"	Skylar Thimesch 1 st 8'10"
100m	Brynn Wyatt 3 rd 16.16 Janessa Schnittker 9 th 15.36 Andi Young 12 th 15.61 Piper Perkins 18 th 16.88	Emily Ogg 2 nd 14.94 Kyra Morgan 9 th 17.34	Stephen Kerschen 1 st 12.88 Cole Hageman 5 th 14.34 Layne Green 6 th 14.49 Brody Bock 13 th 17.01	Trey Shelton 7 th 14.6 Richard Vaughn 8 th 14.67 Andrew Schultz 10 th 15.94 Logan Kinsler 11 th 16.44
200m	Brynn Wyatt 3 rd 33.26 Rylee Miller 7 th 34.5	Emily Ogg 1 st 29.82 Bella Thimesch 12 th 37.83	Stephen Kerschen 1 st 26.87 Kollin Fischer 7 th 31.52 Adam Sterneker 9 th 34.58	Dylan Halderson 5 th 28.71 Richard Vaughn 8 th 29.73 Trey Shelton 10 th 30.41
400m	Rylee Miller 4 th 1:24.19		Kollin Fischer 6 th 1:20.26 Nathan Ndambuki 7 th 1:24.91 Caleb Lohrke 9 th 1:28.58	Skylar Thimesch 1 st 59.97
800m			Jack Harden 1 st :42.89 Will Halderson 7 th 3:20.29 Tyler Osner 8 th 3:52.42	
1600m			Jack Harden 1 st 6:01.27 Will Halderson 4 th 7:16.01	
110m Dash	Makenzie Hartley 2 nd 17.83		Cole Hageman 1 st 13.91 Weston Rogers 4 th 18.24	
300m Dash			Weston Rogers 4 th 1:02.52	
4X100 Relay	Hartley, Perkins, Neufeld, Wyatt 4 th 1:03.48 Shelton, Young, Schnittker, Perkins 7 th 1:19.46		Thimesch, Romine, King, Glenn 4 th 1:10.94 Lohrke, Rogers, Sterneker, Osner 5 th 1:12.76	
4X200 Relay	Hartley, Oldham, Schnittker, Perkins 4 th 2:33.16		Osner, Hageman, Ndambuki, Green 3 rd 2:23.92 Glenn, Chapman, Sterneker, Bock 4 th 2:28.89	Shelton, Schultz, Kinsler, Rogers 3 rd 2:10.44
Medley Relay	Oldham, Neufeld, Miller, Wyatt 3 rd 2:37.8		Fischer, Hageman, A. Kerschen, Harden 1 st 2:06.83	Shelton, Vaughn, Rogers, Halderson 3 rd 2:14.19



Macy Neufeld



Skylar Thimesch



Piper Parkins



Kourtnei Fischer



Myles Thimesch handing the baton off to Sevi Romine



First Meet for CHS Track Team a Success

This last Thursday, Cunningham High School had their first track meet of the season! We have been anxious about hitting the track. It can be a long month of practice before the first track meet. Coach McGuire and I wanted the kids to come out hot and they didn't disappoint.

With such good numbers of kids out this season we were able to fill in most all the entries and in doing so at a small meet our results were expected. The boys literally ran away with the meet, out scoring the 2nd place team by 103 points. The girls had a good turnout placing 2nd. We look ahead to South Barber and Kingman the next two meets. Congratulations on a great first meet of the season Wildcats. Looking forward to the next month of track and field!

Coach Eric Kerschen



Kelden Mills



Shanelle Romine



Ada Adams



Lane Halderson



Brianna Dittmer

photos by Molly Morgan

Men's Scores

PI	Team	Code	Score
1	Cunningham High School	CUNN	173.5
2	Stafford High School	STAF	70
2	Pretty Prairie High School	PRET	70
4	Medicine Lodge High School	MLR	65
5	Langdon Fairfield High School	FAIR	34.5
6	South Barber High School	SBAR	22
7	Inman High School	INMA	18
8	Reno County Sabres High School	RCSH	15

Women's Scores

PI	Team	Code	Score
1	Pretty Prairie High School	PRET	188
2	Cunningham High School	CUNN	109
3	Langdon Fairfield High School	FAIR	97.5
4	Reno County Sabres High School	RCSH	19
5	Inman High School	INMA	16.5
6	Medicine Lodge High School	MLR	14
7	South Barber High School	SBAR	12
8	Stafford High School	STAF	11

Junior High Musicians Rock at League Music Contest

HOPL JH league Music at Fairfield was one to remember! I am beyond proud of all of the students! We took 45 middle schoolers to their first ever music contest! That's right, the last JH contest was spring 2019. Today, Cunningham brought their "A Game." Both Band and Choir received straight 1's (which is the top, outstanding, rating) from the three judges. And all of our soloists received 1 rating as well!

I am so proud of all who participated today! And a huge thank you to Amelia Albright Yust! I can't do this job without her! She is a Phenomenal player and we are blessed to have her!

(photos and statement stolen from Nicole Kerschen's Facebook page).



Kendall Rogers



Nora Huff



Andrew Kerschen



Stephen Kerschen



Will Halderson

Governor Signs Bill Providing Children with Free, Basic Vision Screenings in Schools

~Bipartisan Legislation Improves Quality of Vision and Hearing Services in Kansas~

TOPEKA – Governor Laura Kelly signed Senate Bill 62, a bipartisan bill that amends standards for free school-administered vision screenings and establish-

es the Kansas Children's Vision Health and School Readiness Commission. "Early detection of vision issues in children helps educators assess and address the needs of students promptly," Governor Kelly said. "It is critical we address these issues early on -- especially if a student has shown signs of reading difficulty, to ensure our kids continue to learn to their fullest potential and find success in the classroom."

In addition to updated standards, SB62 creates the Kansas Children's Vision Health and School

Readiness Commission, an eight-member commission appointed by the State Board of Education to oversee the state's vision screening requirements. It will also assist Kansas families in finding free or low-cost eye exams if a student fails an initial vision screening and cannot afford the services on their own.

SB62 also ensures sign language interpreters are held to a standard just as other licensed professionals, so Kansans who are deaf or hard of hearing receive quality service from interpreters. "The passage of SB 62

is a significant milestone for Kansas Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing in its 40-year history," Robert Cooper, Executive Director of the Kansas Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, said. "SB62 aims at improving communication access and services for deaf and hard of hearing Kansans, building on the work and advocacy we have provided the community since KCDHH was first established by the Legislature in 1982."

More information about SB62 can be found here: [\[http://www.kslegislature.org/li/b2021_22/measures/sb62/\]\(http://www.kslegislature.org/li/b2021_22/measures/sb62/\)](http://www.kslegis-</p>
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Governor Kelly also signed the below bipartisan legislation.

H Sub for SB 101 Approves the operation and use of electric-assisted bicycles and regulates the use thereof. HB2386

Establishes requirements for the payment and reimbursement of dental services by a dental benefit plan. HB2564

Updates the version of risk-based capital instructions in effect. HB2607

Clarifies the time lim-

itations for habeas corpus claims, requiring earlier notice of anticipated release from custody of a person who may be a sexually violent predator to the attorney general and a multidisciplinary team and specifying where such person will be detained during civil commitment proceedings. SB28

Enacts the pharmacy benefits manager licensure act and requiring licensure rather than registration of such entities.

Governor Discusses Impact of "Axe the Food Tax" Plan for Child Care Facilities

~Eliminating the state sales tax on groceries could save the Kansas child care sector \$7.5 million per year, an average of approximately \$22,776 per facility~

TOPEKA – Today, Governor Laura Kelly toured the T-Rocks Child

Care Center in Topeka to discuss her "Axe the Food Tax" plan and how it could help child care facilities. As food prices have gone up due to pandemic-induced inflation, child care facilities see their budgets squeezed, just like every Kansas household. Child care is vital to keeping the Kansas workforce strong and the economy growing.

"Completely eliminating the state sales tax on groceries will assist these facilities in keeping their

doors open and providing the care needed for Kansas' working families," Governor Kelly said. "We must 'Axe the Food Tax' now. I'm calling on the Legislature to send me a clean bill eliminating the state sales tax on groceries."

T-Rocks Child Care Center owners say the cost of food is the second-highest expenditure, following salaries. Approximately 79% of child care providers in the state would benefit from eliminating the state sales

tax on groceries. If the state sales tax on groceries were eliminated, the state's child care sector would see approximately \$7.5 million in savings, depending on the type of provider. That is an average of \$22,776 per child care program per year.

Legislators return to the Statehouse on April 25, where they can "Axe the Food Tax," eliminating the 6.5% state sales tax on groceries, and it still could be implemented on July 1, 2022.

Knock-Knock Jokes

Knock-knock.
Who's there?
Justin.
Justin who?
Justin time for dinner!

Knock-knock.
Who's there?
Wooden shoe.
Wooden shoe who?
Wooden shoe like to hear another joke?

Knock-knock.
Who's there?
Lettuce.
Lettuce who?
Lettuce in, it's cold out here!

Knock-knock.
Who's there?
Atch.
Atch who?
Bless you!

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Kids: color stuff in!

We love decorating eggs for Easter. We use paints, dyes and stickers.



Hmmm...maybe we shouldn't keep all of the eggs in one basket?

Easter Is A Time For...

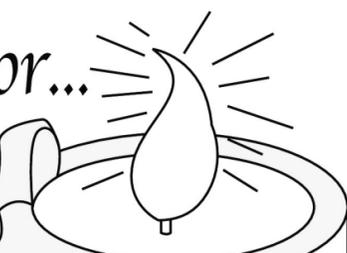
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Find and circle all of these words that tell what people do with eggs:

- fry eat dye hatch pickle
- deliver scramble decorate refrigerate
- roll hunt hide toss paint

1. Christians clothes beginnings
2. nature
3. eggs
4. parades
5. candles
6. lilies family baskets
7. church
8. bells
9. Easter egg
10. baking hot cross
11. Easter bunny bringing
12. lighting
13. gathering Easter
14. visiting friends and
15. marching in Easter



Easter is a time for many activities - some serious and some for fun.

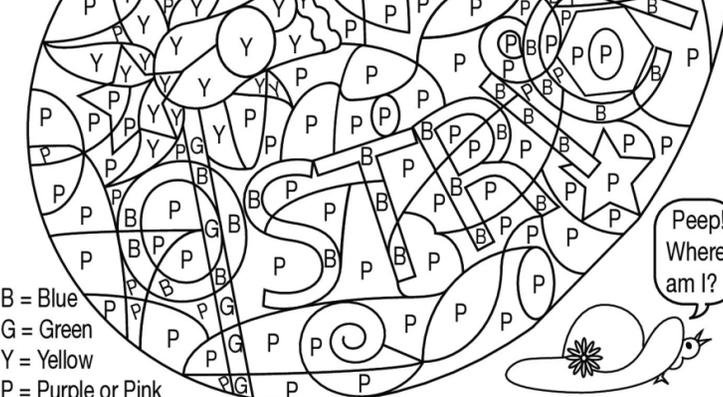
Read the clues to fill in the puzzle.

- Easter is a time for:
1. ___ to celebrate
 2. going to services at ___
 3. joy in the spring green of ___
 4. starting, new ___
 5. wearing new ___
 6. ringing ___
 7. dying and decorating ___
 8. singing Easter ___
 9. Easter egg ___
 10. baking hot cross ___
 11. Easter bunny bringing ___
 12. lighting ___
 13. gathering Easter ___
 14. visiting friends and ___
 15. marching in Easter ___

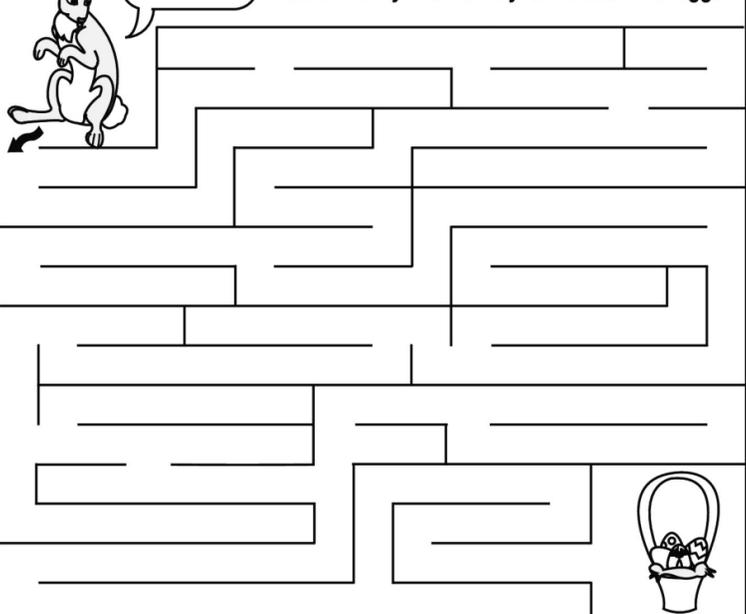
What Is The Biggest Egg In The World?

Do you know what animal lays the biggest egg in the world today?

Follow the color key and color in the egg to find out:



Where did I leave it? It's time to deliver the Easter eggs. Help the Easter Bunny find his way to the basket of eggs!



Governor Signs Bill Designating Sandhill Plum as Official State Fruit

~More Than 400 Fourth-and Fifth-Graders From Across 24 Kansas Schools Participated in an Election to Select the State Fruit

TOPEKA – Governor Laura Kelly signed House Bill 2644, designating Sandhill Plum as the state fruit of Kansas. The efforts to pass this legislation began in 2021 when more than 400 fourth-and fifth-grade students from 24 different schools participated in a process that included writing essays,

sending letters to state representatives, and voting to determine what they believed should be the designated state fruit for Kansas.

"I am proud of the efforts put forth by the students from Sabetha Elementary School and beyond," Governor Laura Kelly said. "Hundreds of bills are introduced each legislative session, but not all of them make it to this point. It's a shining example of what hard work and determination can truly accomplish at any age."

Ten students testified virtually in March on behalf of HB2644 in front of the House Federal and State Affairs Committee. The students from Sabetha Elementary School who started this process were in attendance to witness this bill become law.

The Sandhill Plum beat out the Red Mulberry, the American Persimmon, and the Gooseberry. More information about HB2644 can be found here.



Governor Kelly congratulates students.



This handsome dog is Scooby. Scooby is a graduate of Kingman County Humane Society and now resides at the Osner farm. His beautiful companions are nameless. But I want them. (Bill Osner photo)



Just a photo of my Quin. I think he is asking me to rescue him from his two snuggling feline buddies, Ned Nederlander (yes, annoying Ned is in the background) and sweet Lucky Day. Those two cats just love Quin.

Kingman County Humane Society Pets for Adoption



Diesel
Sponsored by Quarters for Canines

Male Retriever, Yellow Labrador
Weight: 42 lbs
Age: 1Y/6M/3W
Adoption Fee: \$150
Intake Date: 1/23/2021

Diesel is blind but don't tell him that. His favorite game is tracking his ball and he can find it almost anywhere, even underwater. Loves squeaky toys too. He's a pretty easy keeper and adapts well to new situations. Has lots of energy and would love to have a fenced in area where he could run around at little.

SOMEONE GIVE THIS SWEETHEART A CARING HOME!



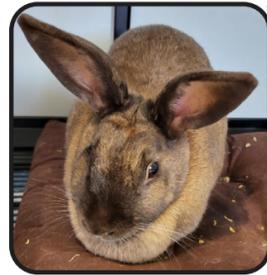
Blaze
Sponsored by The Cunningham Courier

Male Domestic Shorthair
Age: 3 years, 2 months, 1 week

Adoption Fee: \$25
Intake Date: 2/22/2022

ATTRIBUTES

Blaze is a lap sitter. Very loving but expects to be seriously spoiled.



Hopper

Sponsored by Baker Accounting

Male American Sable
Weight: 7 lbs
Age: 1 year
Adoption Fee: \$30.00
Intake Date: 4/5/2022



Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, from 8:00 - 5:30 (except during lunch 12-1) on Wed., from 8:00 - 12:00 Call for Saturday hours. 1015 East U.S. 54, Kingman, KS

Want to be a Volunteer

- Go to KingmanCountyHumaneSociety.org
- Click on the **VOLUNTEER** button
- Fill out the volunteer form
- Wait for us to get back to you!

If you can help out just one or two hours per week, we have lots of ways for you to help. You must be 16 years of age or older.

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Easter Is A Time For...

What Do People Do With Eggs?
Did you find and circle all the words that tell what people do with eggs?

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What Is The Biggest Egg In The World Today?
The Ostrich egg!

Easter is a time for many activities. Some are serious and some are for fun. Did you read the clues to see what people are doing?

CHRISTIANS
HUNTERS
CANDLES
FAMILY
PARADES
CLOTHES
BASKETS
GIRLS
HUNT
CANDLE
FAMILY
PARADES

Minutes from Kingman County Commission for April 4, 2022

Commissioners discussed a letter received from Secretary of State Scott Schwab.

Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer was in to discuss the tax sale information received from Chris McElgunn.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to go into executive session with Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer and Brandon Ritcha, Counselor at 8:47 a.m. to discuss an employee's evaluation pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act, and they will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 9:02 a.m. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners returned to regular session

at 9:02 a.m. with no decision made.

Catherine Rohrer was in to discuss the server that they used before and during the pandemic the state decided to update to a new system.

Ms. Rohrer discussed the programs with the Commissioners and let them know what she feels is working.

Ms. Rohrer submitted the FY2023 Juvenile Comprehensive Plan Grant Signatory Approval Form.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the FY2023 Juvenile Comprehensive Plan Grant Signatory Approval Form. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Ms. Rohrer submitted the FY2023 Adult Comprehensive Plan Grant Signatory Approval Form.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the FY2023 Adult Comprehensive Plan

Grant Signatory Approval Form. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mendy Frampton, Expo Center Director was in and let the Commissioners know that she had looked into the dirt in the arena.

Ms. Frampton discussed the funding received from the equipment sold before talking about putting in a new barn.

Ms. Frampton and Kallie Turner, Extension Agent discussed the stalls for the 4-H Fair.

Commissioner Henning discussed his concern about the look of the area at the Expo Center and the upkeep maintenance needs to be done.

Commissioners discussed that the stalls all need to be taken down and dirt work needs to be done before a new barn is installed.

Commissioners would like for Ms. Frampton to get a contractor to remove the stalls to level

the dirt for the barns.

Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in with a permit for the following:

Fred Puthoff-Water line crossing between Sections 31 & 32, Township 30, Range 07W(Valley).

Mr. Arensdorf submitted information to the Commissioners from Steve Bachenberg on the Communication BIL information meetings handout.

Mr. Arensdorf discussed the NW 10 Ave close out costs from Schwab Eaton for design engineering with the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the invoice from Schwab Eaton in the amount of \$12,500.00 to finish the NW 10 Ave project with it to be paid out of 3/4% sales tax fund. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf let the Commissioners know

that W.3-8.0(10th Street Ninescah River Bridge) Rehab- Electronic bids close 4/28/2022 and Commissioners will review it on 5/2/2022 at 11:00 a.m.

Mr. Arensdorf submitted the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the Annual Review of the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf let the Commissioners know that the FAS Bridge #13 deck pour is 4/7/2022.

Stan Goetz, HR was in to let the Commissioners know that they hired someone for the open detention officer position.

Commissioner Henning let the board know about his discussion with the City of Kingman.

Commissioners discussed with Mr. Ritcha, Counselor about cor-

respondence that they would like to send to AEP for Flat Ridge 3.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Henning moved to go into executive session with Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer; Linda Langley, Internal Auditor and Brandon Ritcha, Counselor at 11:46 a.m. to discuss an employee's evaluation pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings, and they will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 12:01 p.m. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners. Commissioners returned to regular session at 12:01 p.m. with no decision made.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 12:16 p.m. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Minutes from Pratt County Commission for April 4, 2022

The Pratt County Commissioners met in regular session, Monday, April 4, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. in the commissioner room, 1st floor of the courthouse. The following members were present: Rick N. Shriver, Thomas W. Jones III, Dwight Adams, Tyson Eisenhauer, county counselor, was absent Lori Voss, county clerk and Mark Graber, IT director.

Heather Morgan reported that KDOT had sent out an invitation to participate in another round of local consultation related to the recently passed federal infrastructure law which could allow the county to access additional funds if the county has any projects which might qualify. She mentioned that she had received communication from the historical museum about needs relating to their HVAC system to better heat and cool the main street area of the museum. She will work with them to try to identify grant funding.

She mentioned that the federal government has issued a new reporting template for ARPA funds and will not be using a single sign on identifier rather than the traditional DUNS number for reporting. She will work with Lori on the identifier number and get the report completed.

She asked for any outstanding invoices related to the commission room communications system be turned in to her for inclusion in the report. She mentioned that the state unemployment rates were 2.5% for March, which is the lowest unemployment in the last ten years. She then gave an overview of the state budget, state tax, and legislation which has passed which will impact Pratt County departments and citizens.

She first mentioned that a number of large issues are still unresolved including cutting the sales tax on food, sports wagering, the K-12 budget, and potentially a larger overall tax plan to reduce taxes due to unprecedented revenue increases. The sports wagering bill will currently directs the income primarily into a fund to lure the Chiefs to Kansas. One tax bill did pass with 25 different tax provisions included. The one most impactful to county operations is changes to the revenue neutral rate hearing process and the requirement to include percent increases on the required post cards if taxing entities exceed the revenue neutral rate. The

bill would modify revenue neutral rate notice and hearing procedures and provide for taxpayer complaint procedures; increase the residential property tax exemption from the uniform statewide school finance levy; specify the classification of land used by zoos, used incidentally by certain agritourism activities, and the Federal Grassland Conservation Reserve Program; create a property tax exemption for antique utility trailers; allow for the proration of certain personal property taxes; expand the authority of county commissions to abate property taxes for disaster-destroyed property; and modify the definition of telecommunications machinery and equipment for purposes of property tax exemption. The bill would enact the Salt Parity Act; provide an income tax credit for certain contributions to technical and community colleges; enact aviation, aerospace, and short-line railroad infrastructure tax credits; enact a teacher classroom supplies tax credit; provide for an income tax checkoff for contributions to Kansas state historic sites; allow for refund claims pursuant to the Homestead Property Tax Refund Program based on tax growth from a base year; extend the Rural Opportunity Zones

program; modify the research and development tax credit; and allow for an additional personal exemption for certain disabled veterans. The bill would create a sales tax exemption for agricultural fencing; enact the Gage Park Improvement Authority Act; exclude separately stated shipping and handling charges from sales tax; repeal the sunset of the tax exclusion for motor vehicle manufacturer rebates; authorize a countywide sales tax in Wilson County; validate a sales tax election in the city of Latham; and require certain ballot language for countywide retail sales tax elections.

The state budget was also passed and advanced to the governor which spends about 313 million of the state's ARPA dollars. A significant sum of that money will be directed toward Dodge City to support the Hilmar Plant about to break ground there creating hundreds of jobs which will have a regional impact, money for rural housing which Pratt County developers could access, money for businesses impacted by COVID, and higher education related projects including some funds for Pratt Community College to obtain updated equipment to support the needs of the region's businesses relating to welding and

other technical careers. She also mentioned that there are election laws which have passed and some still under consideration. One bill which will impact the county is the requirement that counties of under 30,000 may only have one ballot drop box in the future. This will be an area to watch when the legislature returns in late April.

She also mentioned that the university of Kansas geological survey just announced a study related to ground water depletion and the impact that it has on land values. There was a significant difference in western Pratt County where the aquifer is actually growing based on water conservation practices. However, the northwest quadrant of the county has seen an aquifer decline of about 2.5 feet in the last year. As water scarcity increases this is something that all parties will have to be mindful of to ensure that Pratt County producers have the water they need for successful agricultural production in the future and its impact on land values.

Also, she mentioned as budget preparations get underway that a recent report for state and national highway officials report that road building materials (rock, asphalt, aggregate, etc.)

has increased cost 21% compared to the national inflation factor of about 8%. This is a significant increase and needs to be considered during budget preparation. Finally, commissioner Shriver asked to meet about some ARPA expenditures which are needed related to the public safety building. This will occur in the next few weeks to ensure equipment can be purchased and installed quickly.

Jon Roach, noxious weed director, employee has passed all his certification. Reported on ordering chemicals and the price increases. Reported the side by side has had a complete motor rebuild, some will be covered by warranty. Reported he has been spraying when conditions allow.

Jason Winkel, recycling/landfill supervisor, asked for an executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Jones made a motion to recess into executive session at 2:33 p.m. for fifteen minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Jones made a motion to return from executive session at 2:45 p.m. with no ac-

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Would you like \$15,000 in Cash?!

Doctor Search!

Here's the Deal-
Scott County Hospital needs a full time employed Physician- Refer a Doctor to us-if they are hired and they tell us that you referred them, you will receive \$15,000!
Put on your thinking caps and help us find that Doctor-we all win!
Scott County Hospital-What Rural Health should be!

Doctor may call Human Resources at 620-872-7734 or email their resume to michellen@scotthospital.net



Support during a child's mental health crisis is a phone call away.

1-833-441-2240

Family Crisis Response Helpline

beacon health centers
Kansas Department of Children and Families

WANT TO SAVE A LIFE?

STOP A FRIEND FROM DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE.

Kansas Department of Transportation DRIVE TO ZERO

Minutes from Pratt County Commission for April 4, 2022

tion taken. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Discussed the lake for the proposed disc golf course.

Amy Jones, treasurer, requested an executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to recess into executive session at 2:49 p.m. for five minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Jones made a motion to return from executive session at 2:51 p.m. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Shriver

made a motion to hire Ashlee Prisbrey at \$15.00 per hour for the Treasurer office. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner

Shriver made a motion to raise Csecha Hoffman to \$15.00 per hour for the Treasurer office. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Doug Freund, road/lake supervisor, has a truck down for repairs at the road department and no idea how long it will take to get the parts. He presented copies of the current lake resolution for review until April 11, 2022. He has highlighted the items he would like to change.

Tim Branscom, EP/zoning director, reported the new lights were installed on the Belvidere tower. He had checked the repeater located on Morgan Trinkle's

property.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve minutes for March 28, 2022. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Shriver made a motion to approve payment vouchers from April 4, 2022. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve payment to Harman Huffman Construction Group for certificate No. 16 in the amount of \$232,398.00. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to adjourn at 3:32 pm. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.



Wading Into Water

Glenn Brunkow, Pottawatomie County farmer and rancher

Water, it is the most important resource we have, not just in agriculture but humanity as a whole. It is an extraordinarily complex and difficult issue. This year the legislature proposed a massive water bill and while I will not get into the details of it, it did emphasize that water is an issue we will have to deal with in short order.

Water issues in Kansas are many and varied. In general, if you are from western Kansas, it is about quantity and aquifers. If

you reside in eastern Kansas you are dealing with sedimentation, harmful algae blooms and flooding. There are many more issues, but you get the idea, water issues are diversified, complex and they are critical to all of us. Will we have enough water? Where will it come from? Will it be safe? Are all questions we need to wrestle with.

Kansas Farm Bureau has extensive policy when it comes to water and water rights. We have developed those policies through the years, and they have come from our grassroots. Just like all policy we need to make sure that our water policy reflects our current situation and accurately gives us direction. In short, we need to take a deep look at our policy.

It's no secret that other organizations are getting involved in the debate about water at the state and national levels. Some of these groups have different viewpoints and objectives than we do at Kansas Farm Bureau. We need to have a presence and be at the table when water is discussed. That means we need to have clear, concise and solid water policy. That is where you, Kansas Farm Bureau members, come in.

We will be taking a deeper dive into our water policy in the near future to make sure it is relevant and fits your needs. Please watch for announcements of what the process will look like and be ready to do some hard work. This process will require us all to do our homework and learn more about water in Kansas. We need to understand the complexity of the issues and how they affect agriculture and society in general. This is not going to be an easy process, and it will require all of us to come together to help provide possible solutions.

This is an issue that affects all of us, and it is the biggest problem we have ever tackled, that is why we need everyone. If you are not a Kansas Farm Bureau member, I encourage you to go to your county office and join. We all need to be at the table for this one. We might look at our policy and decide it is just fine, but my guess is that we will see things that need to be changed.

The one thing I do know is that our grassroots' developed policy is some of the strongest out there and if we all put our heads together, we can produce a good solution. There will be more information to come in the near future, please be ready to join in and add your ideas to this important issue.

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Public Notice

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, Kansas CIVIL DEPARTMENT
Specialized Loan Servicing LLC
Plaintiff,
vs.
Danny Lee Rouse a/k/a Danny L. Rouse; Stacy A. Rouse; Unknown Spouse, if any, of Danny Lee Rouse a/k/a Danny L. Rouse; ; John Doe (Tenant/Occupant); Mary Doe (Tenant/Occupant),
Defendants.
Case No. 2022-CV-000006
Court Number:
Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 60

Notice Of Suit

THE STATE OF KANSAS, to the above-named defendants and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors and assigns of any deceased defendants; the unknown spouses of any defendants; the unknown officers, successors, trustees, creditors and assigns of any defendants that are existing, dissolved or dormant corporations; the unknown executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors and assigns of any defendants that are or were partners or in partnership; the unknown guardians, conservators and trustees of any defendants that are minors or are under any legal disability; and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors and assigns of any person alleged to be deceased, and all other persons who are or may be concerned.

You are notified that a Petition has been filed in the District Court of Kingman County, Kansas, praying to foreclose a real estate mortgage on the following described real estate:

ALL THAT PART OF THE WEST HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (W/2 SE/4) OF SECTION 29, IN TOWNSHIP 27 SOUTH, RANGE 7 WEST OF THE 6TH P.M., MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT: BEGINNING AT THE CENTER CORNER OF SECTION 29, AFORESAID; THENCE SOUTH ON THE WEST LINE OF THE W/2 SE/4 OF SECTION 29 AFORESAID, A DISTANCE OF 290 FEET; THENCE EAST AT RIGHT ANGLES A DISTANCE OF 150.2 FEET; THENCE NORTH AT RIGHT ANGLES A DISTANCE OF 290 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 29 AFORESAID; THENCE WEST AT RIGHT ANGLES A DISTANCE OF 150.2 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING SITUATED IN KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS, commonly known as 2236 N Chariton St, Kingman, KS 67068 (the "Property")

and all those defendants who have not otherwise been served are required to plead to the Petition on or before the 18th day of May, 2022, in the District Court of Kingman County, Kansas. If you fail to plead, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

NOTICE

Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. §1692c(b), no information concerning the collection of this debt may be given without the prior consent of the consumer given directly to the debt collector or the express permission of a court of competent jurisdiction. The debt collector is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

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Public Notice

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IN THE THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: ROBERT S. WUNSCH, Deceased.

Case No. 2021 PR 31 (Petition Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59) NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on April 7, 2022, a Petition was filed in this Court by Melissa Tetric, duly appointed, qualified and acting Administrator of the Estate of Robert S. Wunsch, deceased, praying Petitioner's acts be approved; account be settled and allowed; the heirs be determined; the Will be construed and the Estate be assigned to the persons entitled thereto; the Court

find the allowances requested for attorneys' fees and expenses are reasonable and should be allowed; the costs be determined and ordered paid; the administration of the Estate be closed; upon the filing of receipts the Petitioner be finally discharged as the Administrator of the Estate of Robert S. Wunsch, deceased, and the Petitioner be released from further liability.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before May 3, 2022, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. in the District Court, Kingman, Kingman County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Melissa Tetric, Petitioner
Matthew W. Ricke, #20995
ATTORNEY AT LAW, LLC
349 North Main, P. O. Box 113
Kingman, KS 67068
(620) 532-3103
Attorney for Petitioners

Public Notice

FIRST PUBLISHED IN THE CUNNINGHAM-COURIER, Thursday, April 7, 2022.

IN THE THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

DIXIE L. ROHLMAN, Deceased
CASE NO. 2022 PR 18 (Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on March 31, 2022, a Petition for Issuance of Letters of Administration was filed in this Court by Matthew W. Ricke.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before

April 26, 2022, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. in the District Court, Kingman County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

All creditors of the decedent are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within the latter of four months from the date of first publication of notice under K.S.A. 59-2236 and amendments thereto, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

Matthew W. Ricke, Petitioner
Matthew W. Ricke
Ricke Law Office
349 N. Main, PO

Kingman County Sheriff's Report

Sunday, April 3rd

Traffic stops 1
Traffic complaint SW 50 Ave & SW 20 St area, Kingman
Traffic complaint 16000 block E Hwy 54 Cheney
Traffic complaint 7000 block W Hwy 54 Kingman
Vehicle disabled 16000 block E Hwy 54 Cheney
Vehicle disabled 5000 block E Hwy 54 Kingman

Monday, April 4th

Traffic stop 3
Traffic complaint 7000 block E Hwy 54 Kingman
Traffic complaint 10000 block W Hwy 54 Cunningham
Traffic complaint SE 20 St & SE 140 Ave area, Cheney
Suspicious persons 300 block S Valley St. Cunningham
Vehicle disabled NE 60 St & NE 50 Ave area, Kingman
Welfare check SW 160 St. & SW 170 Ave area Nashville

Tuesday, April 5th

Traffic stops 1
Animal S Main St & S Gregory St area, Nashville
Animal SW 145 St & SW 165 Ave area Nashville
Bite - animal 200 block NE 110 Ave Murdock
Damage 1000 block S Peters St. Kingman
Trespassing 400 block E. D Ave Kingman
Welfare check 4000 block NE 10 St. Kingman

Wednesday, April 6th

Traffic stops 2
Traffic complaint 3000 block W Hwy 54 Kingman
Traffic complaint S Main Street & E Hwy 42 area, Norwich

Traffic control SE 70 St & S Hwy 14 area Kingman
Animal 100 block W Libbey Ave Nashville
Animal 1000 block E. C Ave Kingman
Damage 3000 block E Hwy 54 Kingman
Fire - oustide 1700 block E Hwy 54 Kingman
Sign down NW 50 St & Nw 70 Ave area Kingman
Suspicious vehicle 500 block N Main, Zenda
Suspicious vehicle 300 block SE 70 St. Kingman
Vehicle - abandoned SW 80 Ave & W Hwy 54 area, Kingman
Welfare check 9000 block NE 10 St. Murdock

Thursday, April 7th

Traffic stop 1
Traffic control 100 block N Spruce St. Kingman
Smoke investigation 1000 block NW 50 St. Kingman
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Friday, April 8th

Traffic stops 7
Animal 2000 block W Hwy 54 Kingman
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Vehicle disabled NE 10 St. & E Hwy 54 area, Murdock
Vehicle disabled W Hwy 54 & SW 170 Ave area Cunningham

Saturday, April 9th

Traffic stops 16
Traffic complaint 2000 block W Hwy 54 Kingman
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Jack Bailey

Pratt - Jack "Jake the Snake" E. Bailey, 72, passed away Monday, March 28, 2022 at Pratt Regional Medical Center. He was born on March 30, 1949 in Pratt to Howard A and Cecil June (Baker) Bailey.



Jack graduated from Pratt High School in 1967. He went on to receive his Bachelors Degree in Business Administration from Emporia State University in 1972. He worked for Dillons for 39 years in several positions as produce manager, grocery manager, scanning coordinator and safety risk manager. He was a member of Elks Lodge BPOE #1351, where he was an Exalted Ruler for 2000-2001 and 2016-2017. He enjoyed snake hunting for over 50 years, Las Vegas Raiders, cooking, fishing, watching John Wayne movies, family gatherings and doing the Elks Hoop Shoot and Thanksgiving Baskets and other Elks activities.

He is survived by his son, Kyle Bailey of Pratt; daughter, Jessica (fiance, Chris Chisham) Bailey of Pratt; grandchildren, Ryan Bailey, Ashlynn Colavito, Lauren Franklin and Karson Franklin all of Pratt; niece, Jo-Ann (Terry) Goodness Drake of Michigan; former wife of 41 years, Cheryl McCollum of Pratt; and many other family members and friends.

Jack is preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Gary (Emmanell) Bailey and John Bailey; nephew, Bill Goodness; brother in-law, David Heeke; brother in-law, Rod Huckriede; and son in-law, John "JJ" Colavito.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service was held Friday, April 15, 2022 at Larrison Mortuary, 300 Country Club Road, Pratt. Inurnment will follow at a later date at Iuka Cemetery, Iuka.

Memorials may be made to Jack Bailey Memorial Fund, Pratt Area Humane Society or Alzheimer Association in care of Larrison Mortuary.

Maureen Bogner

Maureen Frances Bogner, 86, died April 6, 2022 at her home.

She was born Dec. 30, 1935 the daughter of Richard and Frances Sheahan McFadden. A lifetime resident of the Kingman community, she was a retired First Grade teacher for St. Patrick's Catholic Grade School.

Maureen was a member and organist of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, the D of I, and the Altar Society, all of Kingman.

On Aug. 22, 1959 she married Donald Bogner at Kingman; he died Oct. 19, 2008. Survivors include son Mark and his wife Julie Bogner (Molly and Jake and Baby May, Ben and Kate, and Rose); daughters and their husbands Theresa and Richard Rogers (Grace and Zachary), Mary and Len Messenger (Bonnie and Kyle, Colleen and Kelsey and Dominic Knowles, Katy, Billy, and Jacob and Melody), Ann and Daniel Meng (Mark and Brista, Landon, Ali, Trenten, Austin, Oliver, Adi, and Father Andrew), Becky and Jason Birkenbaugh (Audrey, Ty, Claire, and Logan), Sarah and Josh Holthusen (Joseph, Matthew, Luke, Noah, and Elijah); brother Patrick "P.D." and Betty Jean "B.J." McFadden; and brothers-and-sisters-in-law Bob Price, Duane and Nancy Bogner, Donna and Leroy Schawe, and Diane Bogner; and numerous nieces and nephew.

She was preceded in death by son John; sister Genevieve Price; and brothers-and-sisters-in-law Tom and Darlene Gleason, Dolores and Bob Engelhardt, Denny Duloher, Dennis Bogner, and Delbert Bogner.

Mass of Christian Burial was April 11, 2022 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Burial was in the Walnut Hill Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the St. Patrick's Catholic Grade School in care of the funeral home.



Lennie Young

Selbert Len "Lennie" Young, 55, passed away Tuesday, April 5, 2022 at Pratt Regional Medical Center. He was born on March 1, 1967 in El Dorado to Selbert Lee and Mary Anna (Hutson) Young. They later divorced and his mother married Eugene Watkins who raised Lennie.

Lennie worked as a stone mason. He enjoyed motorcycles, derby cars, and attending music festivals.

He is survived by his daughter, Brianna (Aric) Hook of Hutchinson; grandchildren, Everett, Elias, Ezra and Elora Hook; and siblings, Connie Smith of Douglass, Cheryl Longpine of Enid, Oklahoma, Jerry Young of Malta Bend, Missouri, Patty Morgan of Stafford, Ricky Young of Pratt, Tamara Darling of Wichita, Kevin Watkins of Kingman and Marlene Sammons of Memphis, Tennessee.

Lennie is preceded in death by his father, Selbert Lee Young; mother, Mary Anna Watkins; Stepfather, Eugene Watkins; daughter, Brittany Young; and brother, Ronnie Young.

Cremation has taken place. A service will be held at a later date.

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

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