



Elks Lodge Honors 38 Local Veterans at Annual Veterans Day Celebration

The Pratt Elks Lodge #1451 hosted a Veterans Day celebration on November 4, 2025, bringing the community together to honor 38 local veterans representing every branch of the U.S. military. More than forty volunteers helped make the annual event a memorable evening.

Veterans recognized included:
U.S. Air Force: Jim Pelzl, Allan Schnittker, Steve Stelzer, Jack Veverka, and Harold Voss. Guest Air Force veterans were Pat Gordon, Carl Weese, and Charles Kizzire.
U.S. Army: Dwight Adams, Vic Braden, Paul Bryan, Roger Davis, Lonnie Detmer, Kenny Gates, Larry Honeman, Ken Lewton, Tim McElyea, Kent Monte, Don Patton, Rod Prosser, Roger Sewell, Brandon Slyter, Ernie Smith, Richard Smith, and Gordon Stull. Guest Army veterans included Harold Stultz and Aryn Raney.
U.S. Coast Guard: Eric Killough.
U.S. Marine Corps: Steve Parsons and guest veteran Wayne Doyle.

U.S. Navy: Houston Collier, Jack Crick, Dean Hoover, Ross Hoyt, Jeff Shumway, Lola Shumway, Marvin Thomas, and Jerry Frisbie.
Special guest Miss Kansas, Emily Rugg, sang a beautiful rendition of "God Bless America." The musical group Joyful Noise once again stirred the crowd with their performance of the Armed Forces Medley along with "God Bless the USA" and "The Star Spangled Banner", and Reagan Blasi delivered a moving version of "My Country 'Tis of Thee."

The program also featured guest speaker Vic Braden, who stepped in to share an informative and well-received address.
Adding a personal touch to the evening, Lonnie and Trevlyn Detmer donated a handcrafted American flag made by Lonnie himself. Guests enjoyed a beef-and-noodles dinner, with 120 people served.

The Lodge announced that its next veterans event will be a Veterans Breakfast on April 11, 2026.
- article and photos submitted by Janie Bishop



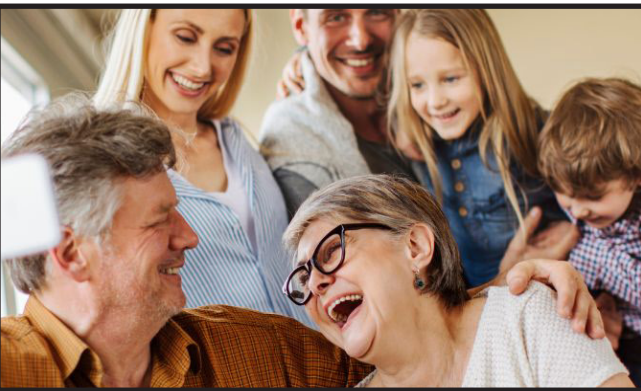
Pictured are Brandon Slyter and Aryn Raney. Aryn is an Army Veteran and the son of Shirley and the late Dennis Raney. Aryn received a "Certificate of Appreciation."



*Back row L to R: Vic Braden, Jeff Shumway, Rod Prosser, Paul Bryan, Larry Honeman, Roger Sewell, Ken Lewton, Roger Davis, Richard Smith, Harold Voss, Brandon Slyter, Eric Killough, Harold Stultz, and Charles Kizzire.
Middle row L to R: Houston Collier, Lola Shumway, Ross Hoyt, Steve Parsons, Don Patton, Kenny Gates, Dwight Adams, Ernie Smith, Steve Stelzer, Pat Gordon, Jim Pelzl. and Allan Schnittker.
Front row L to R: Carl Weese, Wayne Doyle, Dean Hoover, Gordon Stull, Lonnie Detmer, Tim McElyea, Kent Monte, Marvin Thomas, Jack Veverka, and Jack Crick.*



Picture L to R: Jeff Shumway, Lonnie Detmer, Lola Shumway and Trevlyn Detmer.



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The CHS National Honor Society puts on a spectacular program every year. This year a pre-program included a question-and-answer session with about a dozen of the veterans with the CHS students as listeners and learners. NHS

To begin the program,
John Fischer and Garrett

Then a bit was read about the songs of the different branches of ser-

Another facet that really impressed me were the grade school kids. They were so quiet and

Quin. Goofy dog.
Yesterday he "found"
and dug up one of his

I ate in peace.
We all know dogs are gross.... they will eat just about anything disgusting. If they don't eat it, they roll in it. Quin is the perfect example.

Always reading,
and currently reading,
“When No One Is
Watching”
by Alyssa Cole,
Roberta

Will October just kind of blew right by, didn't it? At least it did for me. Many of my trees are already bare of leaves and I guess that is October's job. The horizons at dawn and dusk are more expansive and that's nice. But I still could have used a few more weeks of kinda' warm and kinda' cool October. Because according to the local

But as I was taking a drive down the gravel roads of several counties I felt a bit guilty for lamenting the harshness of the Winter we all know is coming. Because during this drive, every few miles or so, I'd spy an abandoned homestead, roofless stone houses

And according to several sources my day would have went like this: Up at dawn, refresh the fire, make the bread and brew the coffee. Attend the livestock, feed the chickens, slop the pigs and milk the cow.

Then its dinner time.

That's one big pot over the hearth stuffed with whatever might be in season. A venison and potato stew perhaps. Boiled chicken with leeks. And since most people just went to bed when it got dark I'd do the same, restocking the fire one more time and lying on my rope pallet bed, cuddling beneath the quilt it took me all Summer to make. And I'd lie there, safe and snug, the sleet pelting the windows, the wind howling outside and shaking the shingles, knowing I was safe and warm for one more night. Maybe browse through the

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

Kathleen

If you knew Benjamin, Benny to his friends, you knew an obnoxious 9-year-old who enjoyed picking on first graders, whining his way out of home chores, and practi-

“Is it true, no recess for two weeks?” asked Alex.

“Sorta.”

"Oh, shut up," growled Benny. He didn't understand why people couldn't take a joke. He

“Well, I’m not nobody. Listen to this,” he said as he leaned over and whispered in Alex’s ear. “I’m going to pretend I’m sick and have to throw up. I’ll get her to stop the bus and let me off, then I’ll gag and moan and cry for help until she gets off the bus and tries to help me. That’s when I’ll spin around her, jump on the bus and lock her out. I’ll stop the whole bus.

The bus slowed as the yellow warning lights blinked on, and the stop sign swung out. Benny

As expected, Kathleen started to walk up behind him. What he didn't expect was the beefy hand bending his head down and his rear up. A quick glance back showed a large, booted foot swinging backward, and then lashing forward as his butt experienced an uplifting experience. After all, Kathleen was just trying to help him understand the concept of accepting responsibility for his actions.

My guest this week on Poetry from Daily Life is Jo Van Arkel, who lives in Springfield, Missouri. Professor Van Arkel is a Teaching Fellow in Writing, Department of Languages and Literature, at Drury University. She started writing poems and stories when she was a child, inspired by the many books

For me, the desire to write came early. It might sound strange, but I fell in love with words — not only their meanings, but the sound of

These rhythms are like heartbeats in a sentence. But beyond sound and structure, I've always been drawn to the way words can do something even more marvelous: they can catch a moment and hold it still. They can express sorrow. They can tell a story. And sometimes — when we're lucky — they can reach toward something that can't be easily explained. The ineffable. Many poems I admire manage this trick: they glimpse

Wordsmiths
They sit on
high stools
in back rooms
only the sound
of nibs on paper
the scent
of inky fingers
for comfort

and Scribble
and Scratch
to catch what's
already around
the corner of
the next room—
a mouse of
a moment that

Learn more about Jo Van Arkel's writing and art at her website: <https://jobethvanarkel.com>.

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Community Bulletin Board

Thursday, November 13 Mass Choir ** JH BB vs Kinsley at HOME	Wednesday, November 19 6:00 p.m. USD 332 Shop Guild *** 7:00 Book club
Friday, November 14 HS FB Secitonal Playoffs	Thursday, November 20 Regional HS FB Playoffs TBD
Saturday, November 15 Jrs. Poker Run fundraiser *** HS Play	Friday, November 21 HS Sub-State playoffs
Sunday, November 16 3:00 Lessons and Carols rehearsal at Sacred Heart	Sunday, November 23 6:00 p.m. Community Thanksgiving Service
Monday November 17 JH BB at Argonia *** First day of HS BB practice	Monday, November 24 JH BB vs Chase at HOME *** City Council
Tuesday, November 18 HS Scholars Bowl at Fairfield *** Lions Club	Wednesday November 26 No School
	Thursday, November 27 Thanksgiving Day 

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Closed for Holidays
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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


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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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Mon. - Thurs.
10:00 - 7:00
Friday: 10:00 - 6:00
Saturday: 10:00 - 2:00
Closed on Sundays
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6-Man Sectional
Play-off Game
CHS vs Otis-Bison at HOME
Friday, November 14th
7:00 pm Kick-off



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Admission
\$8/Adult
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Active
Military &
Veterans
plus one
guest will
be
admitted
free!

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ACTIVITY
PASSES
will be
accepted.

Good Luck, Wildcats!

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4H Installs New Officers

The Cunningham 4H Club meet on Sunday, October 23rd for our annual bonfire meeting at Bock’s pasture. There were 23 members in attendance.

It was reported that our help with the Cunnigham Fall Festival for 48 hours of 4H was a success!!

We voted to attend Cunningham Sacred Heart Catholic Church on October 26th for 4H Sunday.

We also discussed plans for the 4H Achievement Celebration that our club will host on October 26th at the Cunnigham Community Center.

All new officers then were installed for the year. President: Andrew Schultz

Vice President: Kendall Rogers

Secretary Ethan Kostner

Historian: Jessica Dittmer

Reporter: Will Halderson

Treasurer: Weston Rogers

Songs: Ava Neywick

Sr. Council Reps: Emily Ogg and Brody Bock

Jr. President: Ty Schultz

Jr. Vice President: Katie Ogg

Jr. Secretary: Leah Rogers

Jr. Historian: Daniel

Hellman

Jr. Reporter: Olivia Halderson

Jr. Treasurer: Connor Hellman

Jr. Council Reps: Wyatt Neywick

We concluded our meeting with S’mores. The next meeting was scheduled for November 2nd at 6 pm at the

Cunningham Community Center.

William Halderson, Reporter



Chicken Noodle Dinner!



St. John Lutheran Church
Nashville, KS
Holiday Craft
and Bake Sale
November 23, 2025
11:30 AM to 1:30 PM
Free Will Donation
Sponsored by The Dorcas Society



Community
Thanksgiving
Service
Sunday, November 23rd
Cunningham Community
Center
6:00 p.m.
Reception following the service
EVERYONE WELCOME!



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Kingman County 4-H to Host
Project Fair and Open House

Is your family interested in joining 4-H but not sure where to start? Or maybe you’re a current member looking to explore a new project area? The Kingman County 4-H Ambassadors invite you to their Project Fair and 4-H Open House on Sunday, November 16 at 1:30 p.m. at the Kingman County Extension Office, 125 N. Spruce Street in Kingman.

This free event is open to all families interested in learning more about the 4-H program. Attendees will have the opportunity to meet current 4-H members, learn about the many projects available—from livestock and photography to cooking, rocketry, and more—and discover how 4-H helps youth develop valuable life skills.

The 4-H Ambassadors will also be on hand to answer questions and share their personal experiences in the program. Whether you are brand new to 4-H or a returning member, the Project Fair and Open House is a great way to get inspired and see what 4-H in Kingman County has to offer.

For more information, contact the K-State Extension – Kingman County Office at 620-532-5131.



Join Us November 16th

Soup
FUNDRAISING
EVENT

For the Estrada Reyes family

Didier, Astrid, Axel (3rd grade), Ivan (1st grade)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH. 11:00-2:00
CUNNINGHAM COMMUNITY CENTER


All You Can Eat
Free Will Donation

Astrid's family was in a terrible accident. Astrid, Axel, and Ivan returned to Mexico. They are faced with unexpected travel expenses and medical bills.

For more information:
Marilyn Glenn
Amanda Prim

When Worship Goes Wrong: Finding Our Way Back to the True God

In the rural hills of eastern Kenya where I grew up, Sunday mornings were sacred. Long before sunrise, families would walk miles through dusty roads, balancing stools, hymnbooks, and sometimes jugs of water. People came to church not for comfort, but for communion, with God and one another. They washed their feet outside, dusted off their shoes, and entered the sanctuary with songs that filled the air: “Mungu ni mwema — God is good!”

Those memories still speak deeply to me. They remind me that true worship is not about perfect music or polished programs. It’s about hearts that long for God. It’s about a people who gather, not because life is easy, but because they know they can’t face it alone.

But across the world, and even here in small-town America;



something has quietly changed. Many people have drifted away from worship. Life has gotten busier. Sundays have become fuller. Faith, for some, has become one option among many. And so I find myself asking, both as a pastor and a neighbor:

When was the last time you attended a worship service, not out of habit, but out of hunger?

When was the last time you felt refreshed and centered after being in church?

When was the last time your heart was stirred to remember that God is still near, still real, and still calling your name?

These questions are

not meant to guilt anyone, but to invite us to think about what truly gives our lives meaning. In today’s world, worship competes with many powerful forces:

The idol of success tells us we are only as valuable as our achievements. The idol of comfort urges us to choose what is easy over what is right. The idol of technology keeps us endlessly scrolling but rarely still.

The idol of fear whispers that God’s promises are not enough. And the idol of self-teaches us to place our desires above God’s design. When worship goes wrong, life begins to lose its center. But the good news is this: God continues to call His



people back; to a place of rest, renewal, and relationship. The prophet Elijah once stood before a weary nation and asked, “How long will you hobble back and forth between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow Him!” (1 Kings 18:21, CEB). That question still echoes today.

This month, our congregations at Cunningham United Methodist Church and Penalosa United Methodist Church are exploring a two-part sermon series titled:

“When Worship Goes Wrong: Finding Our Way Back to the True God.”

Together we’ll reflect on how our worship can drift; and how it can be restored to something pure,

joyful, and life-giving.

If you’ve been away from church for a while, this might be the perfect time to come home. Bring your questions, your struggles, your hopes, and your heart. Come as you are. Whether you find faith easy or difficult, there’s a place for you.

Service Times:
Penalosa United Methodist Church –

Sundays at 9:15 a.m. Cunningham United Methodist Church –
Sundays at 10:45 a.m.
Come rediscover the peace of worshipping with your neighbors, the joy of singing familiar hymns, and the strength of being part of a caring community.

In an age of noise, worship helps us listen. In a time of hurry, worship helps us slow down.

And in a world full of many voices, worship helps us hear the voice that truly matters, the voice of God.

“You must have no other gods before me.”
Exodus 20:3 (CEB)

By Rev. Mathew Musyoki, Pastor at Cunningham and Penalosa United Methodist Churches



Check the Blessing Box east of the Methodist Church.

Anyone can give or take from the Blessing Box at any time.

Free Groceries at the Cunningham Methodist Church

2 to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays

James 1:19 NJV

Everyone should be quick to listen, slow the speak, and slow to grow angry.

quote submitted by Alan Albers

St. John Youth Fill Shoeboxes for Other Children

Samaritan Purse sends gift-filled Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes to children around the world. Twelve young people from St. John Lutheran Church in Nashville got together Saturday, November 8, to fill shoe boxes for children to be sent wherever needed for Christmas by Samaritan Purse.

Led by Joyce Westerman and Beth Blasi, the children went shopping in Pratt, then headed back to Nashville to pack their boxes in the church hall and got them ready to ship. A lunch prepared by Lle Westerman and Shelley Westerman followed.



Daniel Hellman, Ady Wadel, MacKenzie Westerman, Connor Hellman, Braylee Waggoner, Evie Wadel, Jessica Dittmer, Blaine Waggoner, Owen Westerman, Cora Wadel, Sam Westerman, Henry Westerman
photo and story submitted by Katie Hellman

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 Tuesday of the month
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 620-770-9507 for immediate food assistance needs. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Giving Opportunities in our Community

4C Day Care Leave a donation with the Methodist Church.

West Kingman County Education Foundation
Use your Dillon's Card! to donate contact Shawna Sterneker

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

Cunningham Museum (to donate contact Alan Albers or Mike McGovney)

Cunningham Public Library (to donate, contact Debi Dunlap)

Cunningham EMS (to donate, contact Monte Rose or Kathy Albers)

Catholic Churches

 **Sacred Heart, Cunningham**
Saturday 4:00 p.m.

St. Leo
Sunday 8:30 p.m.

Father Daryl Befort 316-706-1627 620-246-5370

St. John, Zenda
Sunday 10:00 a.m.

St. Peter Willowdale
Saturday 5:30 p.m.

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Lutheran Churches

First Sunday of the month service is at St. John;
third Sunday of the month service is at Trinity

St. John, Nashville
620-246-5220
Sunday School & Bible Class 8:45 a.m.
Worship Service 10 a.m.

Trinity, Medicine Lodge
620- 886-3397
Sunday School & Bible Class 8:45 a.m.
Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

Pastor vacancy until further notice.

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Church of Christ

 **Penalosa**
Sunday 11:00 a.m.

First Christian Church Cunningham

Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Jr High Youth Group 4:00 p.m. Sunday
Sr High Youth Group 7:30 p.m. Sunday
Wednesday Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.
Pastor Mike McGovney 620-770-9507

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United Methodist Church

Penalosa
Worship 9:15 a.m.
Pastor Mathew Ndambuki Musyoki
620-298-2090

Cunningham
Worship 10:45 a.m.

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Zenda Methodist Church
Worship 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School: Children 8:30 a.m. Adults 10:00 a.m.
Pastor J L Nichols 620-243-6953

Kingman County Commission Minutes

Chairwoman Lyon called the Board of County Commissioners meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. November 3, 2025, in the County Commissioners room at the Kingman County Courthouse. Present: Julie Lyon, Chairwoman; Jack Thimesch, Commissioner; Jeff Young, Commissioner; Carol Noblit, County Clerk

Brandon Ritcha, County Counselor

Visitors: Bob Morris, Kingman Leader-Courier

Online Visitors: AS, Caller 01; Caller 02;

Staff: Amanda Stucky, Zoning Director; Mendy Frampton, Expo Center Director; LaDawn Stegman, Financial

Officer; Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director.

Chairwoman Lyon asked if there were any additions to the agenda.

LaDawn Stegman, Financial Officer would like to add some time on the agenda for Pilot payment discussion.

MOTION: Commissioner Young moved to approve the agenda with the addition of pilot payment discussion with LaDawn Stegman, Financial Officer. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 3-0 vote.

Amanda Stucky, Zoning Director was in to discuss the positions to be filled due to two vacancies. Nic Kostner and Jerry Henning they would like to add to the Zoning Board.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to appoint Nic Kostner

to the Zoning Board. Commissioner Young seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 3-0 vote.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the appointment of Jerry Henning to the Planning/Zoning Board. Commissioner Young seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 3-0 vote.

Ms. Stucky discussed the moratorium on the solar farms ends in February 2026 and they have a planning/zoning meeting that will be held a week earlier in November due to the holidays.

Ms. Stucky discussed any new subdivisions coming in would have to wait until the February Planning/Zoning Board meeting.

Mendy Frampton, Expo Center Director was in to discuss that

she has received her new storage container and would like to put the old storage container on marketplace.

Commissioners agreed to place it on marketplace for a set price.

Carol Noblit, County Clerk submitted the minutes of October 27, 2025, Commission meeting minutes for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Young moved to approve the minutes of October 27th, 2025, meeting. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 3-0 vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to go into executive session with Christopher McGowne and Brandon Ritcha, County Counselor at 9:30 a.m. to discuss the County's position in pending mediation pursuant to the excep-

tion under the Kansas Open Meetings Act, and that they will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 9:50 a.m. Chairwoman Lyon seconded the motion. The motion was approved with 3-0 vote.

Commissioners returned to regular session at 9:50 a.m. with no action taken.

Scott Strong and Jamie Hower with Strong's Insurance were in to explain the changes to the Courthouse deductible on the property insurance. The current deductible is \$50,000.00 and will be changing to 1% of the coverage.

LaDawn Stegman, Financial Officer was in to discuss the pilot payments and where the funds are going and being used for.

Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director discussed road and bridge

projects to be done with .75% sales tax.

Mr. Arensdorf submitted a quote on the 2024 tractor that was given back at the end of the lease and to purchase it could be 5.5% financing and said that he could trade in a 2007 tractor to put towards the purchase of the tractor.

Mr. Arensdorf let the Commissioners know that he has scheduled a December 15 letting for Hot Mix Overlay.

Mr. Arensdorf discussed two-off bridge system bridges that will have field checks on by KDOT in February or March of 2026.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 11:49 a.m. Commissioner Young seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 3-0 vote.

Minutes from Pratt County Commission

The Pratt County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, October, 27 2025 at 2:00 pm in the Commissioner Room, 1st floor of the Courthouse. The following members were present: Thomas W. Jones III, Rick Shriver, Morgan Trinkle, Cescha Hoffman, County Clerk and Mark Graber, IT Director.

Economic Development Update -Heather Morgan

A joint House and Senate Commerce committee meeting is discussing the alignment of economic development incentives at the state and local level. Heather said she will be putting the incentive information for our county in once DJ, County Appraiser, gets her the data.

Sawyer Gasline Project

The KCC sent an email asking if Sawyer had renewed their SAMS's number, the status of the SAM's number is being checked. A copy of the contract from KGS has not yet been received.

Public Comments

Micha Nelson, audience member, requested the county look into the condition of NW 10th. She expressed concern that it is high traffic and the road has deteriorated over the last few years and road graders can't keep up on it. She asked if a survey could be done to see how much traffic and why could be done to find a solution. Gyp rock that was previously put in place did

help. Commissioners asked for their patience while they work on putting in a crown and getting gyp rock. Blake Himmelwright also was present and expressed concern for the same road. Commissioners said they would work on coming up with a solution.

Horizons Mental Health Center Quarterly Update

Vikki Maddar with Horizons Mental Health Center gave a quarterly update. At the end of fiscal year 2025, the agency saw an increase in client numbers reaching close to 400. They have increased staff and expanded the building, which has allowed them to see more clients. Mental Health First Aid training is available for groups and students and is offered at no cost. Vikki reported they had to make a significant audit adjustment related to a duplicated billing issue. Despite the adjustment the agency ended the fiscal year with a positive % operating margin of 1.2 million.

Environmental KDHE Update

Jon Roach, reported the KDHE issues are currently being resolved. He also requested to hire a part time employee for the summer intern position. He received an applicant and would like to start the process of training and obtaining a license. The commissioners agreed and requested Jon bring in a salary adjustment form.

Clerk's Comments

Cescha Hoffman, County Clerk, proposed to implement a Provisional

Board. The Provisional Board would be responsible for opening, hand-counting, and tallying provisional ballots after the Commissioner approve or deny them based on recommendations and KSA Statutes. This would relieve the Commissioners, who serve as the Canvass Board from the physical counting task. The Clerk will consult with Tyson regarding the potential change.

Courthouse Maintenance Update M&M Cleaning Service

Maria and Marcus presented services they provide. Some of their existing clients are Pratt Family Practice, Pratt County Health Department and BTI. They requested information so a bid could be submitted next year when the bid process begins.

Courthouse Repairs

A list of needed repairs, created by employees, was presented to the Commissioners. Commissioners will review repairs and address them.

Concrete & Yard Quotes

Several Quotes were received to repair the concrete and yard. The quotes were not comparable so the Vendors will be contacted to submit new quotes.

KDOL Audit Update

Commissioner Jones signed the KDOL Audit on the items that have been fixed in the Courthouse. Forklift training for the Landfill and Road Departments still needs addressed.

Road Department Update & Personnel

Request

Motion to hire Patrick Hock for Road Department mechanic at \$18/hr made by Commissioner Trinkle; seconded by Commissioner Shriver; motion carried 3-0.

Doug Freund reported a culvert was damaged due to solar farm activity. Kirkham Michael has drawn up replacement plans. The road use agreement will be reviewed, and Tyson will be consulted for guidance. Doug also reported the Overlay Project is complete, finishing one day over the allotted 10 days. The commissioner suggested not applying liquidated damages for the one-day delay, acknowledging the work was done and weather issues. Doug also would like the public to know the water is shut off at the lake.

Zoning Update

BJ Hayes, notified

the Commissioners the Public Hearing for zoning is set for November 17th at 6:00 p.m. at the Public Safety Building. He also reported the weather station is still on back order. He will call the company to resolve the issue.

Executive Session -Zoning

Motion to move to executive session to discuss Zoning with BJ Hayes for 10 minutes at 3:00 p.m. made by Commissioner Shriver; seconded by Commissioner Trinkle; motion carried 3-0.

Commissioners came out of executive session at 3:10 p.m. with no action taken.

Sheriff Department Personnel Request

Motion to approve a salary adjustment for Cody Kibel from \$19.39/hr to \$19.89/hr made by Commissioner Shriver; seconded by Commissioner Trinkle; motion carried 3-0.

Motion to approve a salary adjustment for Buford Johnson from \$17.25/hr to \$19/hr made by Commissioner Trinkle; seconded by Commissioner Shriver; motion carried 3-0.

Letter Of Support of Arrowhead West Grant

Motion to approve a letter of support for Arrowhead West made by Commissioner Shriver; seconded by Commissioner Trinkle; motion carried 3-0.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioners unanimously approved the minutes of October 20, 2025.

Approval of Vouchers

Commissioners unanimously approved the vouchers for October 27, 2025.

Adjourn

Commissioners adjourned the meeting at 3:47 p.m.

SCTelcom's 11th Annual



TURKEY
GIVEAWAY

SCTelcom's

11TH ANNUAL TURKEY GIVEAWAY!

SCTelcom would like to say thanks by giving away turkeys!

You can enter to win by ONE of the following ways:

1. Comment on our Facebook Turkey Giveaway post from November 10th - 19th.

2. Stop by a SCTelcom office in Anthony, Kiowa or Medicine Lodge and fill out an entry form.



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Drawing will be on
November
20th!

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1970

November 12, 1970 - Press-time last week caught us with all the votes not counted. It appeared at Wednesday mid-day that the liquor amendment would be approved. It wasn't. The amendment was voted down by around 12,000 votes, with 95 of Kansas' 105 counties voted "dry".

Trying to figure the voter would drive you crazy. Governor Robert Docking, a Democrat, was elected to an unprecedented third term. Who's the Lieut. Governor? Republican "Ren" Shultz. The Republicans also were elected to all other major stated offices except Attorney General, to which Vern Miller was elected-the first Democrat in that office in the state's history. Editor Bill Bradley

Fourteen students of the Spanish Department of Cunningham High School took part in the sixth annual "Concursar de capacitacion para estudiantes de espanol," a contest designed for second, third, and fourth year Spanish, held at Wichita State University, October 31. Approximately 650 students from 65 schools of Kansas participated in the 13 competition areas.

Peggy Park received an "Honors" rating, the highest given, for her recitation of a Spanish poem. Peggy also received a I rating for her conversation with a native speaker, and a II rating for her sight reading of a prose passage. Ruby Parsons and Suzanne Steffen each received a rating of I on their recitation of Spanish Poetry. Suzanne also received a rating of II on her conversation with a native speaker. Elaine Starr received a II rating for her poetry recitation. Mark Dafforn received a rating of I on his extemporaneous speech in Spanish on "Women's Liberation," and a II rating for his conversation with a native speaker.

Men of the Cunningham Christian Church completed a remodeling project of the church-yard and grounds last week.

A new cable fence has been erected; new sidewalk laid, and the hedgerow was removed.

The church-yard has been further enhanced by the addition of a new church sign-bulletin board, donated by Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Crosley and family.

YEARS AGO IN

The Cunningham Clipper

Publisher: Charles G. Barnes

Editor: Rex Zimmerman

Reporter: Marie Ann Mantooth

1975

November 13, 1975 – A December 20 wedding is planned by Carolyn Witt and Frank Briscoe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Noel Briscoe, Columbia, Missouri.

Announcing their daughter's engagement are Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Witt, Cunningham.

The bride-elect attended Pratt Community College

and is serving as coordinator of the Human Resources Department with Pizza Hut International, Wichita.

Briscoe, who received his education from the University of Missouri, is a chemist in the Quality Control Department of the same company.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Mantooth of Cunningham announce the engagement of their daughter, Cynthia Ann, to Mr. Kent E. Anthony, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Anthony of Medicine Lodge.

Miss Mantooth attended Pratt Community Junior College and is now a senior at Northwestern Oklahoma State University at Alva, where she is majoring in vocal music education. She is presently practice teaching in the Medicine Lodge School system.

Mr. Anthony graduated from Pratt Community Junior College and Northwestern Oklahoma State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration. He is the County Assessor for Commanche County at Coldwater, Kansas.

A spring wedding is being planned.

Dana Jo was the name chosen for the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seiwert, Colwich, born at 6:59 a.m., Thursday, November 6, at Wesley Medical Center. She weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces. Mrs. Seiwert is the former Linda Kampling.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Kampling, Cunningham and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Seiwert, Kingman. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stillwell, Sr., Cunningham, and Mrs. Frances Kampling, Kingman.

The junior of Cunningham High School will present a three-act play "Moonlight and Applesauce" on Tuesday, November 18, at 7:30 p.m. in the high school gymnasium. The play is filled with loads of laughs, wacky situations, and juicy parts.

The characters include: Eli Barnes, a mild-mannered inventor, portrayed by Bryan Stucky; Ellen Barnes, an investment-minded wife, played by Terri Simonson; Grandmother Barnes, old but wise and wise-cracking, accented by LuAnn Jones; Kay Barnes, a young woman with a mind of her won, acted by Natasha Armstrong; Nita Barnes, a sharp-tempered edition of her younger sister, represented by Paula Parks.

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1980

November 13, 1980 – Beverly Zrubek met with the city council to explain the operation of the Humane Society's animal shelter in Pratt. Area cities are paying the Pratt Humane Society \$10 per dog that the Society is asked to pick up and either house until a home is found for the dog or the dog has to be destroyed. Motion was made and seconded that Cunningham pay the \$10 per dog fee in the future.

Melvin and Paula Coss, Pratt, are proud to announce the birth of a son, Kyle Wayne. He was born

Nov. 3 at Kingman Community Hospital at 3:31 p.m., weighing 7 lbs. 10 oz. He has one sister, Tiffany, age 2.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Coss, Pratt, and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Park, Preston.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Glen Coss, Phillips, Texas, and Earl Park, Cunningham.

League champion softball players from the Cunningham Grade School are Coach Lonnie Thiessen, Monty Amick, Charles Thimesch, Orin Stillwell, Jim Harbert, Scott DeWeese, Rob Sterneker, Dean FitzSimmons, Ed Parks, Todd Rohr, Mark Thimesch, Mike Fischer, Dennis FitzSimmons, Kelly Clark, Ryan Ruckle, Matt Oller.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Martin of Larned, are in Cunningham periodically working on their new home in the northwest part of town.

1985

November 14, 1985 – The Cunningham Christian Church has built a large addition to the south of the present building. It is two stories high and includes classrooms, bathrooms, and other necessities. Bob McGovney was hired to oversee and do most of the work on the building with the help of some of the church members who wished to donate their time and labor for the project. The outside is completely finished and the interior is rapidly being completed.

Cunningham is prospering! Just across the street from one another, two building projects are being completed as of now. The Hi-Way Café, owned by Bob and Yvonne Thimesch, has been completely rebuilt, from the kitchen to the front door and all of the outside. It appears to be just about twice the size the original café used to be. Thimesch rebuilt part of the kitchen about eight months ago and just recently opened for the pheasant season on Friday evening with an almost finished interior.

The new dining area is spacious and will accommodate several more booths or tables and chairs. Sunday noon, about fifty customers were seated and several more were waiting in line for their meals. Go on in and enjoy the new surroundings and the same good food.

Several members of the local Cub Scout Pack 759 met at the Depot Museum recently in order to plant a tree directly north of the building. The youngsters are hoping the tree will continue to grow and they can proudly point it out to others in future years as their contribution to the continuance of the museum. The Scouts helping were Cory Depenbusch, Mark Evans, Jeremy Lynch, Jonathan Miller, Aryn Raney, Neil Campbell, Eric Webster, Randy Ormiston, Matthew Evans, Patrick Lynch, Jeremy Jarmer, Tim Rohr, and Aaron Murphy.

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The Girl Who Knew Too Much

"Kilgallen was the greatest female writer in the world."

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Few people today know the name of one of the most remarkable Americans ever to live. She was an intrepid journalist, gifted writer, and popular TV personality. The New York Post once described her as "the most powerful female voice in America." As a fearless crime reporter, she was involved in many high-profile investigations, including the famous Sam Sheppard murder trial and the JFK assassination. In November of 1965, she died mysteriously, but authorities refused to investigate. Her name was Dorothy Kilgallen.

Dorothy Kilgallen was born in Chicago on July 3, 1913. Her family moved to New York City in 1920, and she grew up in Brooklyn. After graduating high school,

she briefly attended New Rochelle College but dropped out at the age of 17 to become a crime reporter.

In September of 1936, while working for the New York Evening Journal, she convinced her editors to send her on a "Race Around the World" – competing against reporters from two other newspapers. Dorothy was just 23 years old. She had two days to get her passport and 16 Visas. Off and running, she traveled by plane, dirigible, train, and ship, reporting on her adventures from such places as Germany, Manila, Hong Kong, and Hawaii. The trip took her 24 days, and she came in second place. When she returned home, every house on her block was decorated with her picture and an American flag. First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt even wrote to congratulate her. Dorothy later published a memoir of her trip entitled Girl Around the World.

Ever the hardworking journalist, in 1938 Dorothy launched a newspaper column, the Voice of Broadway, for the New York Journal-American. In it she documented the shenanigans of the social elite, and more. Her writing style

was a mixture of juicy gossip, dark politics, and crime, peppered with odd tidbits of trivial and fun information. Dorothy cruised New York night-spots like Delmonico's and the Copacabana, picking up story tips, writing them on match-books and napkins, and tossing them in her purse.

By 1950, Dorothy's column was running in 146 newspapers earning 20 million readers. Not everyone though was enamored with her take on the celebrity world. Dishing dirt sometimes brought her enemies. Frank Sinatra was one of them. In a running feud with Dorothy, he often referred to her as the "chinless wonder." She responded by writing about his ties to organized crime and the mob.

In 1950, along with her column and a morning live radio program, Dorothy became a regular panelist on the new game show What's My Line?

The show was broadcast live from New York on Sunday nights and had the panelists interview contestants with unusual occupations, with contestants winning \$5 for every "no" answer. Dorothy was intelligent, quick witted, and fun, more

often than not correctly guessing her way through the game. During this time, Dorothy became a celebrity herself, often outshining the stars she wrote about. But writing was her gift.

Dorothy's father, James Kilgallen, a journalist himself recalled "she had an unerring instinct for news. She had a brilliant style of writing. She was accurate and had a flair for the apt phrase. She had an uncanny ability to produce scoops and an inordinate speed in turning out copy." And readers devoured what she wrote.

In her column on August 3, 1962, Dorothy broke the story of President Kennedy and Marilyn Monroe's romantic relationship. She didn't directly identify Kennedy, but readers were able to read between the lines. One day later, Marilyn Monroe was found dead in her Los Angeles home – under suspicious circumstances.

On November 22, 1963, President John F. Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas, and life for America changed forever. Dorothy was devastated, having met the President weeks earlier on a White House visit with her young son. And

as a crime reporter, she started asking questions.

Contacts within the Dallas Police Department began feeding her information. Dorothy was soon convinced that the assassination was a conspiracy, with many involved. Things got western after the man arrested for the crime, Lee Harvey Oswald, was gunned down on live TV by nightclub owner Jack Ruby. Dorothy soon obtained and published the transcript of Ruby's testimony before the Warren Commission tasked with investigating the crime. The FBI interrogated Dorothy in an effort to discover her source. She informed the FBI that she "would rather die than reveal his identity."

Dorothy later interviewed Jack Ruby (she was the only reporter to do so) and began carrying a file of documents with her at all times – believed to be material she was compiling for a book. She told friends that she was "going to break this case." She believed it would be the biggest scoop of the century.

On the evening of November 7, 1965, Dorothy made her last appearance on What's My Line? She was later spotted in the bar at the

Regency Hotel having drinks with a mystery man, and then leaving the bar at about 2 a.m.

Monday morning, November 8, 1965, Dorothy had an appointment with her hairdresser Marc Sinclaire. Sinclaire arrived at her Manhattan townhouse at approximately 8:45 a.m. He found her dead.

Dorothy was found by her hairdresser in a bedroom she never slept in, dressed in clothes she would never wear to bed, with makeup, hairpiece, and false eyelashes still on, reading a book she had finished and disliked, without her reading glasses, with the lights on and A/C running full blast in the cold of November. Eight days after her death, the New York City Medical Examiners report, signed by a doctor who claimed he was never there and didn't sign it, stated that Dorothy died of "acute barbiturate and alcohol intoxication – circumstances undetermined." Her death was never investigated by the authorities.

The file carrying all of Dorothy's JFK papers has never been found.

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Sunday, November 2	
Traffic Stops	2
Check Welfare	100 Blk E 3rd Ave, Kingman
Non-Injury Accident	NE 140 Ave & NE 40 St, Cheney
Follow Up	120 N Spruce St, Kingman
Miscellaneous	120 N Spruce St, Kingman
Trespassing	3100 Blk E Hwy 42, Rago
Miscellaneous	120 N Spruce St, Kingman
Animal Complaint	7000 Blk E Hwy 54, Kingman
Agency Assist / KHP	4000 Blk E Hwy 54, Kingman
Agency Assist / Pratt PD	200 Blk S Wilmot St, Cunningham
Animal Complaint	W Hwy 54 & SW 70 Ave, Kingman
Non-Injury Accident	SW 120 St & SE 70 Ave, Rago
Non-Injury Accident	10000 Blk E Hwy 54, Murdock
Non-Injury Accident	200 S Spruce St, Penalosa
Animal Complaint	S Berry Ave & SW 40 St, Kingman
Non-Injury Accident	SE 20 St & SE 160 Ave, Cheney
Non-Injury Accident	14500 Blk SW 90 Ave, Zenda
Non-Injury Accident	NE 10 St & NE 130 Ave, Cheney

Monday, November 3	
Traffic Stops	3
Civil Paper Service	2
School Walk Through	200 Blk S Parkway St, Norwich
Miscellaneous	130 N Spruce St, Kingman
Miscellaneous	2600 Blk SE Viney Ave, Murdock
Court / Inmates	130 N Spruce St, Kingman
Theft	800 Blk N Cedar St, Kingman
Traffic Complaint	SE 60 St & SE 100 Ave, Murdock
Disabled Vehicle	NE 10 St & NE 100 Ave, Murdock
Agency Assist / Medical	5400 Blk SE 100 Ave, Murdock
Miscellaneous	200 Blk E Don Lock Dr, Kingman

Tuesday, November 4	
Traffic Stops	5
Civil Paper Service	4
Miscellaneous	NE 10 St & NE 120 Ave, Murdock
Abandoned Vehicle	6000 Blk E Hwy 42, Rago
Animal Complaint	W Hwy 42 & SW 160 Ave, Nashville
Animal Complaint	10000 E Hwy 54, Murdock
Abandoned Vehicle	14000 Blk NE 10 St, Cheney
Check Welfare	2100 Blk SE West Ave, Cheney
Check Welfare	14000 Blk E Hwy 54, Cheney
Follow Up	NE 40 St & NE 140 Ave, Cheney
Traffic Complaint	NE 20 Ave & NE 50 St, Kingman
Non-injury Accident	1200 Blk E Hwy 54, Kingman

Wednesday, November 5	
Traffic Stops	3
Civil Paper Service	2
Disabled Vehicle	2000 Blk E Hwy 54, Kingman
Agency Assist / KMPD / Non-Injury Accident	N Main St & W A Ave, Kingman
Disabled Vehicle	15000 Blk W Hwy 54, Cunningham
Court / Inmate	130 N Spruce St, Kingman
Traffic Complaint	SW 50 Ave & W Hwy 54, Kingman
Traffic Complaint	2000 Blk E Hwy 54, Kingman
Court / Inmate	130 N Spruce St, Kingman
Agency Assist / KMPD / Disturbance	300 Blk E G Ave, Kingman
Miscellaneous	120 N Spruce St, Kingman
Non-Injury Accident	8000 Blk E Hwy 54, Murdock

Thursday, November 6	
Traffic Stops	3
Civil Paper Service	2
Follow Up	SE 30 St & SE 103 Ave, Murdock
Traffic Complaint	18000 Blk W Hwy 54, Cunningham
Motorist Assist	N Hwy 14 & E Hwy 54, Murdock
Court / Inmates	130 N Spruce St, Kingman
Court / Inmate	130 N Spruce St, Kingman
Check Welfare	7000 Blk E Hwy 54, Kingman
Miscellaneous	400 Blk E D Ave, Kingman

Friday, November 7	
Traffic Stops	4
Civil Paper Service	1
Traffic Complaint	1000 Blk W D Ave, Kingman
Traffic Stop / Arrest	1000 Blk W Hwy 54, Kingman
Non-Injury Accident	E Hwy 54 & NE 70 Ave, Kingman
Non-Injury Accident	7700 Blk E Hwy 54, Kingman
Non-Injury Accident	3000 Blk W Hwy 54, Kingman
Agency Assist / Cheney PD	400 Blk E 6th Ave, Cheney

Saturday, November 8	
Disabled Vehicle	E A Ave & N Spruce St, Kingman
Traffic Complaint	18000 Blk W Hwy 54, Cunningham
Unlock Vehicle	600 Blk S Main St, Norwich
Trespassing	15000 Blk NE 50 St, Cheney
Non Injury Accident	18000 Blk W Hwy 54, Cunningham
Disabled Vehicle	2800 Blk S Hwy 14, Kingman
Traffic Complaint	4000 Blk E Hwy 54, Kingman
Trespassing	300 Blk N Elm St, Kingman
Suspicious Persons	NE 50 St & NE 140 Ave, Cheney
Disabled Vehicle	7000 Blk W Hwy 54, Kingman



After a stop-and-go start to fall harvest because of weather and breakdowns, we've finally found our groove in November.

The wheat is now in the ground; the cattle have been sent off to winter pasture and the clear and sunny days have allowed us to keep the combines in the fields.

While we are still a month behind schedule when it comes to harvest, it feels good to know

the grain is finally coming out of the fields at a steady pace.

Driving by the area elevators, it is clear that everyone has dropped everything to get back into the fields as well. Trucks are lined up to deliver the harvest.

We're seeing nice yields that are occasionally making our full combines and grain cart stop in the field while we wait on the trucks to return from the elevators only to unload on them again for another trip back to the elevator.

Our truck drivers are constantly on the go right now. So much so that one of our truckers normally brings a book with him to read while he waits for his trailer to get filled

with grain before making another trip to the elevator. For now, he'd be better off listening to an audiobook as there's not much down time.

As I was driving the kids home from school this week, the air was full of harvest dust. Dust from the trucks traveling the dirt roads. Dust being kicked out of the backs of the combines. Dust from the grain being transferred from a grain cart into a trailer.

Within a two-mile stretch of my drive, it seemed like there was at least one combine harvesting on every section in sight.

The harvest dust filled the air. Add that with the earlier sunsets that have been brought on by the

time change and the atmosphere illustrated fall productivity at its finest. It was beautiful.

Yes, it looks and feels like fall harvest now. We are thankful for the consecutive days of clear weather and fully operating machines.

It's my hope that these days continue and we can get as much grain harvested before the next stopping point.

In any case, harvest is happening now. We've caught our groove and we're moving grain.

It's definitely full steam ahead.

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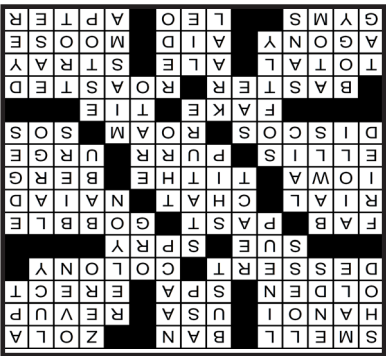
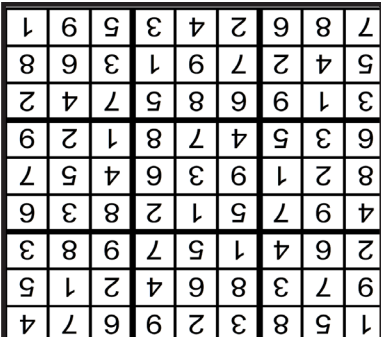
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7. Like yesteryear
8. Rejuvenating spot
9. Like a solder at attention
10. *Pumpkin pie or pecan pie, e.g.
11. *Plymouth ____
12. Seek damages
13. Light on one’s feet
14. Like The Beatles
15. Certain blast’s origins
16. *What tom said
17. Iranian money
18. Precedes GPT
19. Water nymph
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21. One tenth
22. Mountain, in Germany
23. The Statue of Liberty island
24. Cat sound
25. Instinctive motive
26. 1970s dance clubs
27. Do like buffaloes
28. Distress acronym
29. Opposite of genuine
30. Bow or bolo
31. *Moisturizing kitchen tool
32. *Turkey prepared certain way
33. Bottom line
34. Pub offering
35. Alley cat, e.g.

68. Extreme suffering
 69. International help, e.g.
 70. Bullwinkle J. _____
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1. Not barefoot
 2. Gender checkbox
 3. Peters out
 4. Loamy deposit
 5. Form a queue (2 words)
 6. Head and shoulders sculpture
 7. Venomous snake
 8. Civil rights organization, acr.
 9. Whole number between -1 and 1
 10. *Biscuit baker
 11. *She took away the football from Charlie Brown
 12. Mentally quick, e.g.
 15. Put trust in (2 words)
 20. Respond
 22. Website address ending
 24. Eminence
 25. *Deep____, turkey prepared certain way
 26. White condiment
 27. Sheds tears
 29. *Mayflower
 31. Hindi courtesy title
 32. Coffin holders
 33. One of Florida Keys
 34. Ruler sides, e.g.
 36. Not of the cloth
 38. Through, to a poet
 42. Muse of love poetry

45. "Killing Me ____ with His Song"
49. Fraternity letters
51. Unwholesome atmosphere
54. Cattle enclosure in African village
56. Bar, legally
57. Unidentified aircraft
58. Niels Bohr's study object
59. Without, à Paris
60. Overhaul
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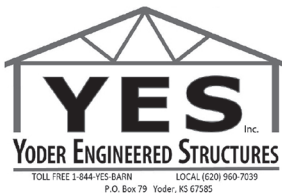
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Kay Beat

Kay Ann Beat, 80, died Nov. 9, 2025 in Mountain Home, Arkansas.

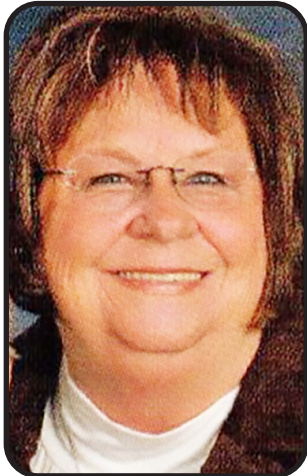
She was born July 25, 1945, in Kingman, Kansas, the daughter of Virgil McPheeters and Bernice “Marie” Blank McPheeters. A longtime Kingman resident, she was a homemaker and retired receptionist at Donley Clinic and the secretary at St. Patrick’s Grade School.

Kay was a member of the St. Patrick’s Catholic Church, Kingman and St. Peter the Fisherman in Mountain Home, Arkansas.

On Oct. 12, 1963, she married Joseph “Joe” Beat in Kingman. Other survivors include three sons Brian Beat, Mark Beat and Greg Beat and his wife Tammy; daughter Dana Moore and husband Win; grandchildren Brandon (Meredith) Beat, Cassandra (Josh) Forcum, Jennifer Beat (Seth Adelhardt), Amber (Sam) Clouse, Tyler (Krystal) Beat, Wyatt (Lauren) Beat, Bryanna (Kyle) Bontrager, Win (Maddie) Moore, Erin (Riley) Galloway, Davis Moore, Olivia (Eric) Newman and Laykin Moore. She was preceded in death by her parents; step-father Don Egan; and brother Verlin “Mac” McPheeters.

Parish rosary will be 10:00 a.m., Friday, Nov. 14, 2025 at St. Patrick’s Catholic Church, Kingman followed by the Mass of Christian Burial. The family will receive friends from 5:00 to 7:00 on Thursday, Nov. 13, 2025 at Livingston Funeral Home, Kingman. Burial will be in the Walnut Hill Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. Patrick’s Grade School and sent in care of Livingston Funeral Home, 1830 N. Main, Kingman, KS 67068.



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Harper

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This is Miss Harper’s 2nd appearance in The Courier. She was brought to the shelter the first of May with a passel of kittens, all raised now, and Harper needs a home. She has a very sweet face, and I don’t doubt she’s have a sweet disposition with just the right person who will pamper her. She’s about 2 years old, so she’s probably outgrown the kitten rambunctiousness. Her adoption fee is \$40.00. Not much for a lifetime companion.

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