

CATHOLIC Masses

St. Leo

Sunday, April 7, 2019

8:30 a.m.

St. John's, Zenda

Sunday, April 7, 2019

10:00 a.m.

Sacred Heart, Cunningham

Saturday, April 6, 2019

4:00 p.m.

St. Peter's, Willowdale

Saturday, April 6, 2019

5:30 p.m.

Fr. Roger Lumbre

620-243-5451

620-298-2601

620-246-5370

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Penalosa

Sunday Bible Class

10:00 a.m.

Worship

11:00 a.m.

Afternoon Worship

1:30 at Penalosa Community Center

Mid-Week Bible Study

Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

620-532-2684

CHRISTIAN

Cunningham

Sunday School

9:30 a.m.

Worship

10:45 a.m.

Bible Study

6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Prayer Meeting

7:00 p.m.

Pastor Mike McGovney

620-298-3201

620-770-9507

LUTHERAN

St. John's Nashville

Worship Service

8:30 a.m.

Sunday School & Bible Class

9:45 a.m.

Trinity Medicine Lodge

Sunday School & Bible Class

9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship

10:30 a.m.

620-656-7431

Pastor Dennis Fangmeyer

620-246-5220

Cell: 620-886-0911

UNITED METHODIST

Penalosa

Worship

9:15 a.m.

Cunningham

Sunday School

9:45 a.m.

Worship

10:45 a.m.

Pastor Katelyn Zoglmann

620-298-2090

Office Hours:

Tuesdays:

9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Zenda

101 N. Main

Sunday Worship

9 a.m.

Sunday School:

Children 8:30 a.m.

Adult 10:00 a.m.

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

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

Pastor Ken Keeling

Community Bulletin Board

Thursday, April 4

Kids Day on the Farm

April 4

1:00 p.m.

JH Track at Pretty Prairie

April 4

3:00 p.m.

HS Track at Pretty Prairie

Monday April 8

PreK to Zoo

April 8

JH Scholars' Bowl Finals at Norwich

Tuesday, April 2nd

Forensics at Pretty Prairie

April 9

HS Track at South Barber

Thursday, April 11

1:00 p.m.

JH Track at South Barber

Monday, April 15

7:00 p.m. at CPL

Reducing Wasted Food in the Home

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Monday, April 22nd

Mother/Daughter Banquet

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SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.

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Museum Winter Hours

The museum will NOT have regular hours in the winter.

If you wish to tour the facility, please contact Donna Glenn at

620-388-5602

Thanks for recycling

The Courier on

April 8th

April 22nd

May 6th

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Cunningham Schools Box Tops for Education

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

Community Center (leave donation at the bank)

Cunningham Spring Clean-Up begins April 16th

Spring Clean-Up in Cunningham is set to begin Tuesday, April 16th.

Nisly Brothers will have a 40 cu. yd. dumpster placed on the south end of the city lot northwest of the intersection of Atchison and Elliott streets. When this dumpster is full, they will bring another. The dumpsters are for use by residents of the City of Cunningham only. Items permitted in the dumpster include household trash, bulky items such as mattresses and furniture, lumber, and other trash.

Do Not put paint, oil, grease, or other hazardous

CHS Blood Drive is April 12th

submitted by Lillian Reed
The Cunningham National Honor Society is putting on a blood drive in two weeks.

Upcoming Blood Drive:

Cunningham High School Cafeteria

Friday, April 12th

1:30pm-6:30pm

To schedule your appointment please contact Lillian Reed at lillian.reed@usd332.com or go to redcrossblood.org and use keyword “Cunningham.”

30 donations are needed so that Cunningham High School can earn a scholarship!

Food safety workshops set for produce growers in Kansas

Training will cover Food Safety Modernization Act

OLATHE, Kan. – Kansans will soon be strolling the aisles at their local farmers markets, deciding which tomatoes look best, what herbs look freshest and which fruit works in their favorite recipe.

To help ensure those foods are safe and wholesome to eat, Kansas State University and the Kansas Department of Agriculture have scheduled food safety workshops to help familiarize growers who are selling fresh produce with the ins and outs of safety regulations and how to make sure their

household waste in the dumpster. These items should be taken to a hazardous household waste collection site to be disposed of properly. Contact the Kingman County Noxious Weed Dept. (620) 532-5187, to dispose of some paint and chemicals.

Do Not put tree limbs or brush in the dumpster. These should be taken to the city burn site southeast of town. The burn site is locked. For a key, contact Tim Strickland at (620) 770-9889. If you need help, place the limbs curbside near the street or alley near your home. The City will make arrangements to pick them up and take them to the burn site. Call 298-3077 for more information.

Do Not put tires in the dumpster. Tires stored outside are in violation of the city code and provide

habitat for mosquitos, rodents, etc. Used tires should be taken to either the Pratt or Reno County landfills. There will be a charge per tire for disposal.

Scrap Metal – If possible, bring your scrap metal and appliances to the area east of the dumpsters.

There are currently numerous properties within the city limits that are in violation of the City’s Health, Welfare, and Environmental codes. To avoid legal action by the City, these properties need to be brought into compliance with the code. A copy of the City Code is available on the city website at cuninghamks.net or at City Hall, 119 N. Main.

For more information, contact City Hall at (620) 298-3077.

Health Department's April Clinics

Kingman County Health Department will be doing its monthly outreach clinics in April on the following dates.

Cunningham- Wednesday, April 10th from 10:00am – 12:00pm

Nashville- Wed., April 10th from 1:30pm – 4:00pm

Norwich- Thursday, April 11th from 1:30pm – 4:00pm

***PLEASE NOTE: CLINIC DATES WILL BE THE SECOND WEEK OF APRIL**

To reserve the Cunningham Community Center, the calendar contact is Ruth Shelman, (620) 770-9153 or 318-6042.

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farms are in compliance.

The Food Safety Modernization Act or FSMA was signed into law in 2011 with a focus on preventing foodborne illnesses rather than reacting to them.

What’s at stake? About 48 million people – or one in six – get sick from foodborne illness every year, according to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Thousands are hospitalized because of it and 3,000 of them die.

“It’s a significant health burden that’s often preventable,” said Londa Nwadike, consumer food safety specialist with K-State Research and Extension. “We work with produce growers who are selling at farmers markets and other outlets to make sure they’re growing and handling produce in ways that minimize contamination and get it to consumers as safely as possible.”

Many growers don’t know, for instance, that washing produce after

harvest is not required by regulations, and if done incorrectly, can cause more food safety problems than not washing the produce at all, Nwadike said.

FSMA Produce Safety Rule Grower Training events will be held from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. unless otherwise noted:

April 5, 2019 – Wichita, Kansas (starts at 8:30)

April 15, 2019 – Bird City, Kansas

May 16, 2019 – Parsons, Kansas

July 11, 2019 – Manhattan, Kansas

Oct. 3, 2019 – Dodge City, Kansas

Nov 15, 2019 – Wichita, Kansas

Information and online registration for the FSMA training and other produce-related workshops is available at https://bit.ly/2SylnId or by contacting Cal Jamerson, K-State extension associate in produce safety, at agri@ksu.edu or 913-307-7394.

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Pet-friendly residence hall set to open at Newman University

Wichita, Kan. — Newman University students will soon be able to bring their furry friend to live with them on campus. The university recently decided to designate Merlini Hall as a pet-friendly residence hall option for students beginning fall 2019.

Director of Residence Life Scott Mudloff said the idea sprang from a brainstorming session with the Newman University cabinet. “We’ve all been look-

ing for avenues to fill the residence halls and this is an idea that is beginning to take off across the country,” he said.

Students will be allowed to bring a cat or dog to live with them in Merlini Hall, which will be converted from double rooms to singles, creating more space for the student and the pet.

Mudloff looked to other institutions that have implemented the program for direction when writing the policy. “Obviously, we can’t accommodate a lot in the space we have, so we had to become creative while also keeping in mind what would be best for the animals as well. We didn’t want a 150-pound

Great Dane living in a tiny room all day while their owner was at class. We had to weigh all the options,” said Mudloff.

Restrictions include a weight limit of 40 pounds, animals that are spayed or neutered, and cats must be declawed. Certain dog breeds will not be allowed, along with other restrictions.

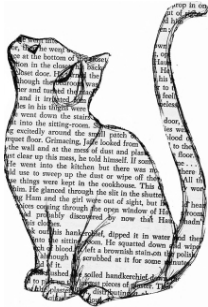
The university plans to create a pet park and provide bags for students to pick up pet waste.

There are many benefits for students who choose to bring their pet to live with them such as helping with home sickness and relieving stress. “Research shows that a pet can reduce stress and anxiety and college

is a stressful time for students,” said Mudloff. “Having your best friend snuggle up at your feet or curl up on your lap while you’re writing that paper at 2 a.m. may help students cope a little better.

“The overall goal is to make the best experience possible for the students. If this is something that will help a student succeed by letting them bring a friend from home along, we want it to help.”

For questions regarding the new pet-friendly residence hall policy, contact University Relations at schaferc@newmanu.edu or call (316) 942-4291, ext. 2164.



Meanderings

Dreams are uncanny and eerie peeks into our soul’s subconscious. They are like movies which have been cut and the celluloid film spliced randomly together; often time with parts missing or darkened.

I’m not talking about the Bobby Ewing dreams that make sense when you have to bring back a TV series character you killed off in the last season.

The Bob Newhart/Newhart televisions series did a dream-theme as well. Remember? After Newhart ended, Bob (Newhart) Hartley, psychologist, wakes up next to Susan Pleshette, and tells her about his dream in which he was running an inn in Vermont. A classic ending to a fun series. That was a good one.

Nothing simple like that. I am talking about the dreams that inhabit our minds, running through our sleep with regular abandon.

There are people who have told me they don’t dream or don’t remember their dreams. I find that odd.

I told my brother I had dreamed my cat, Valentino, talked to me in English. He said that wouldn’t surprise him. Valentino is a gray tabby with a lot to say. He has very distinct inflections in his voice. He can ask a question. He can be demanding. He tells you when he is excited about something. He even has a sleepy tone to his voice when the old guy is really tired.

I had a recent dream where Helen and Terri and I were going to a concert. We were in her blue van and we were trying to get to Pratt Community College through a pasture (my idea of a short cut). Not sure how we got there, but we did. Next thing I know I am wondering the halls of a hospital. Terri comes looking for me. “Where’s Mom?” I told her I wasn’t sure, and what were all these people doing on the gurneys in the hall? Terri asked if Helen was at the concert. I shrugged. Of course, we find her listening to the music in the concert, and I wake up. I am not certain how we got to the concert from the hospital or if the concert was at the hospital or if PCC became a hospital. Like missing film cels.

I can remember a dream I had when I was young... I had the dream more than once. I found it rather scary: Dad, Uncle Charlie and some of my brothers and sisters were picking strawberries.

I saw small signs stuck in the ground. I told Dad and Uncle Charlie not to eat the strawberries because they were poisonous. (I didn’t seem to care whether or not the siblings ate them...) Dad and Uncle Charlie just

laughed at me because I couldn’t read. They ate the strawberries. And I kept yelling at them, and they keep eating. I just knew they were going to die from eating those berries. Fifty plus years later, they are both still here, and still eating strawberries.

In my dreams I can never read. Drives me crazy. I’ll be holding a book and trying desperately to read it. The words aren’t there, or the book won’t open, or I can’t see because it’s dark. There are so many different ways I found that dreams keep me from reading. Ticks me off.

I can’t dial phone numbers either. Anyone else like that? There’s an emergency, you need to call someone, and your fingers can’t find the numbers or the phone doesn’t have any. I really hate those dreams.

I’ve seen some of my cats dream. Valentino does. A lot. He chirps and cries and moves about. He’s asleep when I check on him.

My collie, Joey, dreamed frequently. I’d hear him moving around, and when I would check to see what he was doing, he’d be on his side, asleep, his legs moving like he was walking. He’d also smile in his sleep. Sometimes he’d jerk awake and look around like he didn’t know where he was, surprised. I suppose. I sure miss my collie companion.

I’ve never been aware of Chloe, my sheltie mix, dreaming. She closes her eyes and that is it. She just enjoys a good sleep.

Then there is Clarence, the redneck dog. He dreams copiously. He yelps and barks and growls in his sleep. And yes, he smiles as well. And smiling is something Clarence is very good at.

One night not too long ago, I heard his loud “something’s at the park” bark. He shot off the bed, and I heard him hit the patio door. THUNK! I turned on the light. He’s standing facing the door. Tail straight down, head down.

“Clarence, you had a dream, go to bed.”

He turned and looked at me. I don’t think he really saw me. He was either still in a sleep daze or a “I-just-thunked-my-head-really-hard-on-the-glass-door” daze. Probably the latter.

I called again. No response.

I got up. Chloe got up. She may sleep well, but she’ll worry that Clarence is going to get some attention from me and she’ll miss out.

I walked over to Clarence. Petted him. His tail wagged. I grabbed his face, looked directly at him. “Clarence, it was a dream. Go to bed.”

He did.
Silly dog.
Always reading, and currently reading, "Through the Heart" by Kate Morgenroth, Roberta

“A book is a dream that you hold in your hands.”

(As quoted on BookRiot, June 18, 2013)” — Neil Gaiman

What students need to know about interest rates

Students need to learn some basic facts about interest rates so they can make good choices when it comes to borrowing and investing, according to KHEAA.

One interest rate is simple, or nominal, interest. It’s straightforward. If you borrow \$1,000 at 5 percent simple interest per year, you’ll pay back

\$1,050. If you deposit \$10,000 in your savings account at 3 percent interest per year, you’ll have \$10,300 in your account at the end of the year.

After that, though, it can get more complicated. Let’s say you take out a \$100,000 mortgage at 5 percent. However, you have to pay \$5,000 in closing costs, which are added to the amount of the mortgage. That means you’ll be paying interest on \$105,000. Your total interest costs

are \$5,250. That means you’re paying an annual percentage rate (APR) of 5.25 percent. Lenders are required to disclose the APR on any loans you take out.

On the savings side, let’s say you invest \$10,000 at a 3 percent compound interest rate. With compound interest, you earn interest on the interest you’ve already earned. At the end of the year, you’ll have \$10,304.16 in your savings account.

KHEAA is a public,

non-profit agency established in 1966 to improve students’ access to college. It provides information about financial aid and financial literacy at no cost to students and parents. KHEAA also helps colleges manage their student loan default rates and verify information submitted on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). To learn more about those services, visit www.kheaa.com.

USDA Ready to Help Kansas Farmers and Ranchers Recover from Recent Blizzards, Floods

Manhattan, Kansas, April 1, 2019 – Severe flooding caused by the recent extreme weather event “bomb cyclone” impacted farmers and ranchers in northeast Kansas. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has disaster assistance programs available to help agricultural producers recover after natural disasters, including blizzards and floods.

USDA’s Farm Service Agency (FSA), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and Risk Management Agency (RMA) all offer programs that can help producers recover losses, rehabilitate farms and ranches, and manage risk.

Recovering Losses

FSA offers many programs to help producers recover from losses, including the Livestock Indemnity Program, the Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees, and Farm-Raised Fish Program,

Emergency Forest Restoration Program and the Tree Assistance Program. Producers located in counties receiving a primary or contiguous disaster designation are eligible for low-interest emergency loans to help them recover from production and physical losses.

“Our hearts and prayers go out to everyone who has suffered loss from the flood devastation. FSA is always here to support our farmers and ranchers through these times of adversity,” said David Schemm, State Executive Director for the FSA in Kansas. “Once the waters have receded and you are able to evaluate your losses, contact your local FSA office to report all damages and losses and learn more about how we can assist.”

Rehabilitating Farms and Ranches

NRCS provides technical and financial assistance through the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) and other conservation programs to help producers recover and build resilience to better weather future disasters.

“NRCS can be a very valuable partner to help landowners with their

recovery effort,” said Karen A. Woodrich, State Conservationist for the NRCS in Kansas. “Our staff will work one-on-one with landowners to make assessments of the damages and develop approaches that focus on effective recovery of the land.”

Meanwhile, the FSA Emergency Conservation Program provides funding and technical assistance for farmers and ranchers to rehabilitate farmland damaged by natural disasters.

Managing Risk

Producers with coverage through federal crop insurance should contact their agent for issues regarding filing claims. Those who purchased crop insurance will be paid for covered losses.

“Producers should report crop damage within 72 hours of damage discovery and follow up in writing within 15 days,” RMA Regional Director Collin Olsen said. “The Approved Insurance Providers, loss adjusters and agents are experienced and well-trained in handling these types of events.”

Compensation also is available to producers who purchased coverage through FSA’s

Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program, which protects non-insurable crops against natural disasters that result in lower yields, crop losses or prevented planting. Eligible producers must have purchased NAP coverage for 2019 crops.

Supporting Communities

In addition to helping producers, USDA also offers local governments and other entities with rebuilding infrastructure and removing debris. The NRCS Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) program provides assistance to local government sponsors with the cost of addressing watershed impairments or hazards like debris removal and streambank stabilization. Interested entities should contact their local NRCS conservationist.

More Information

USDA offers a disaster assistance discovery tool that walks producers through five questions to help them identify personalized results of what USDA disaster assistance programs meet their needs. For more information on disaster assistance programs, contact your local USDA service center or farmers.gov/recover.

College of Engineering Ambassadors named for 2019

MANHATTAN — The Kansas State University Carl R. Ice College of Engineering has made its selection of 28 students for membership in the Engineering

Ambassadors organization. Engineering Ambassadors are current College of Engineering students chosen to promote the engineering profession and act as hosts for the college. Each ambassador assists with recruitment initiatives that occur both

on and off campus.

Students with strong academic and leadership records are eligible for membership, and must have successfully completed the College Leadership, Understanding and Education Program, in addition to participating in a two-round selections

process.

Co-advisers Leanne Reineman, senior recruitment coordinator, and Craig Wanklyn, assistant dean, announced the following Kingman County member for 2019:

Carter Oeding, sophomore in chemical engineering, Kingman.

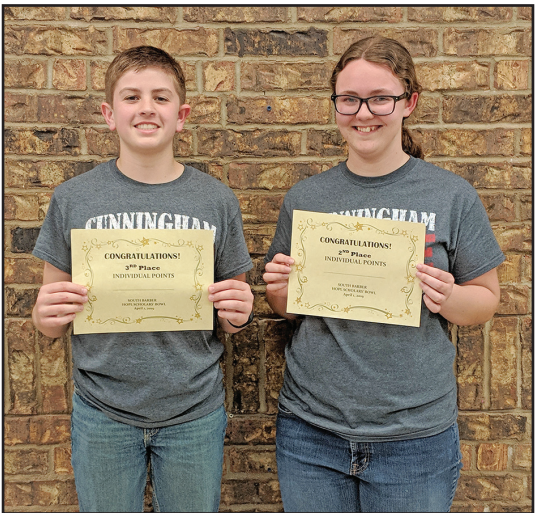
Cunningham Junior High Varsity Team Wins First Place in Scholars' Bowl



Scholars' Bowl JV Team: Back row: Scott Wyatt, Kory Morgan, Nate Sterneker. Front row: Maranda Lohrke, Brianna Dittmer, Elizabeth Paris



First Place Winners: back row: Lane Halderson, Luke McGuire, Trey DeWeese. Front row: Emily Paris, Taylor Schultz, Alice Huelskamp



Trey DeWeese placed 3rd in the tournament's individual scoring. Alice Huelskamp placed 2nd.

Highlights of Junior High Meet at Kingman



Kory Morgan passes the relay baton to Scott Wyatt.



Ada Adams



Lane Halderson



Brianna Dittmer

photos by Molly Morgan and Teresa McClendon



Maranda Lohrke passes the baton to Taylor Schultz in the 4 x 200 meter relay.



Alice Huelskamp



Joanna Hansen



Emily Paris runs hurdles.



Shanelle Romine takes the hurdles.



Carlos Hurtado



Cameron McClendon



Three Medal in Forensics Tournament



Taner Hansen, Lillian Reed, Alayna McGuire pose with the medals they won in the Forensics Tournament held at CHS on Tuesday, April 2. Taner and Lillian received a 1st placemedal for their duet; Lillian, a 3rd place for her humorous solo. Taner a 4th place medal for poetry and another for his impromptu speech. Alayna received a second place in the prose competition.

CHS Regional Music Festival Ratings

Brass Choir	II
Percussion Ensemble	II
Woodwind Ensemble	I
Main Street Singers	II
MSS Ladies Ensemble	II
MSS Men’s Ensemble	II
Abby Hansen –Vocal Solo	II
Alayna McGuire – Vocal Solo	II
Hunter McGuire – Vocal Solo	I
Nathan Lohrke – Vocal Solo	II
Michael Willson – Vocal Solo	II
Abby Hansen – Trumpet Solo	II
Hunter McGuire – Clarinet Solo	II
Taner Hansen – Euphonium Solo	II
Henry Huelskamp – Trombone Solo	I
Madie McGuire – Flute Solo	I
Kendra Morgan – Flute Solo	III
Erik Paris – Euphonium Solo	I



Abby Hansen prepares for her trumpet solo.

photos by Molly Morgan

Highlights from the Regional Music Festival in Larned



Alayna McGuire reviews details with pianist, Michelle Brady, before her vocal solo.



Left: Mr. Johnson, director, talks prepares the percussion ensemble for their performance. Michael Willson, Taner Hansen, Ethan Paris, and Austin Snow.



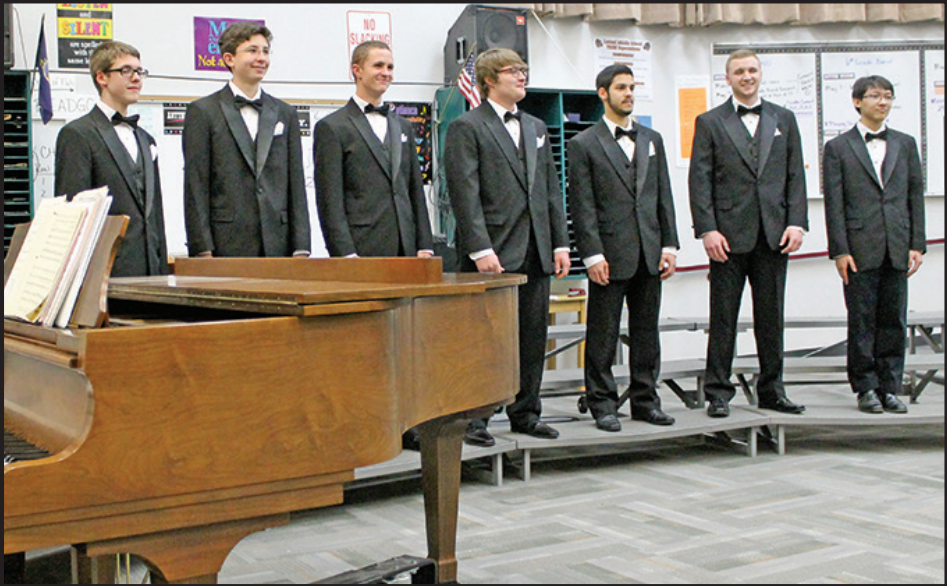
Hunter McGuire performs her clarinet solo.



Henry Huelskamp announces his trombone solo piece. Mrs. Cindy Panek accompanied on the piano.



Taner Hansen plays a solo on the euphonium.



Main Street Singers Men's Ensemble: Henry Huelskamp, Nathan Lohrke, Daylen Schnittker, Taner Hansen, Vitor Abreu, Brayden Schnittker, Michael Willson



Woodwind Ensemble: Hunter McGuire, Holly DeWeese, Kendra Morgan, Maddi McGuire, Maddie Panek, Lauren Murphy.



Above: Main Street Singers Ladies' Ensemble: Rebekkah McDonald, Alexa Fisher, Morgan Meyers, Abby Hansen, Alayna McGuire, Holly DeWeese.



Left: Brass Choir Abby Hansen, Nathan Lohrke, Henry Huelskamp, Taner Hansen, Erik Paris (standing), Isabelle Wegerer, Morgan Meyers

County Commission Meeting

March 25th, 2018

MINUTES OF THE KINGMAN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ON March 25th, 2019

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on March 25th, 2019. Those present: John Steffen, Chairman; Fred Foley, Commissioner; Jerry Henning, Commissioner; Carol Noblit, County Clerk; John Caton, County Counselor

Visitors: Larry Landwehr; Carol Voran; Deanna Gerhardt; Leon Sowers; Tom Kostner; Ellis and Jason Jump, Kingman Leader Courier; Staff: Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director; Heather Kinsler, 911/Dispatch Director; Sheriff Randy Hill and Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Director.

Chairman Steffen called the Board of County Commissioners Meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

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

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Steffen asked if there was any public comment.

Carol Voran would like the Commissioners to go over the process of the LEC Phase II and Phase III Discussion.

Leon Sowers asked about the bridge South of Murdock and why there was so much asphalt put on it and the 30 ton weight limit sign.

Commissioner Henning let Mr. Sowers know that there was only two inches of Hot mix overlay put on the bridge South of Murdock and some places may have had more due to the leveling process.

Chairman Steffen let everyone know in attendance of the meeting

that the materials will be reviewed and rated and that it will be a quiet morning as they review the information which is Phase II. Phase III will be done after discussion and rating is done.

Chairman Steffen handed out the materials received from The Law Company Inc. and Nabholz HMN Architects for the LEC (Law Enforcement Center) Project to review.

The Commissioners began reviewing the materials.

Chairman Steffen would like to do away with the HMN/Nabholz North Addition option because using part of the parking lot is not an option.

Commissioner Henning would like to do away with the HMN/Nabholz stand only facility option.

John Caton, County Counselor reviewed the contracts received from both companies.

The County Commissioners scored the proposals received from Nabholz HMN and The Law Company.

West Kingman County Educational Scholarships Application Are Due

West Kingman County Education Foundation scholarship applications are due at the central office on Monday, April 15, 2019. Applications may be obtained at <http://www.usd332edfoundation.webs.com>. There is also a link on the school website at <http://www.usd332.org>. Please contact Janet DeWeese at 620-298-2717 if you have any questions.

K-State Looking For Farmers to Participate in Agricultural Research

On-farm studies can help producers solve some of their challenges

Manhattan, Kan. – Some of the best agricultural innovations happen every day right in farmer's fields.

That's one reason why a Kansas State University scientist is putting out a call to the state's producers who may want to participate in university-managed research.

"One of the most relevant goals of on-farm research is to take all of the pieces of information that we as researchers learn at K-State and try to connect that research with farmers," said Ignacio Ciampitti, a farming systems specialist with K-State Research and Extension. "Specifically the end goal is to work with farmers, discuss ideas, get questions from

them, and try to get real time solutions."

Ciampitti said that happens best when K-State researchers can conduct trials in Kansas farmer's fields, during the growing season, and under a variety of conditions.

"One of the challenges we face as researchers is we work in small plots to investigate crop management practices, such as seeding rates in corn," he said. "But when you're trying to get the outcomes of this research to the farm, there is separation many times when farmers are looking for relevant data to their specific field operation."

K-State's Department of Agronomy is offering farmers an opportunity to have university researchers conduct upcoming studies on their farms. Ciampitti said farmers can fill out a simple form online, and then will be contacted for further information.

"We are here to help and we are looking for those that want to test new technologies and new

He noted that farmers who participate in university research decide what topic needs to be studied on their farm.

"That's the beauty of the project," Ciampitti said. "We sit down with the farmer, and find out what their questions are. So, for example, they may have a question about whether they are utilizing the right seeding rate, or should they cut back or add more seeds. We can tackle these projects thanks to the support provided by Kansas Corn and Kansas Soybean on implementing on-farm research studies across Kansas.

Our goal is to get information to the farmers, and that farmers understand that many of the recommendations and practices are site-specific; they change with each field."

For more information on the K-State On-Farm Project, producers may contact their local extension agent, or call Ciampitti at 785-532-6940.

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	Phase II NabHolz HMN	Phase I	Phase II The Law Company	Phase I
Chairman Steffen	125	68	159	86
Jerry Henning	127	37	160	45
Fred Foley	147	75	148	79
TOTAL	579		677	

The following proposal quotes received were opened by the County Commissioners:
Nabholz HMN West Addition \$4,707,100.00 + 257,500.00= \$4,964,600.00
The Law Company Inc. \$4,810,000.00 +296,000.00 = \$5,106,000.00
The County Commissioners then totaled the proposals.

	Phase I & II NabhHolz HMN	Phase 3	Phase I & II The Law Company	Phase 3
Chairman Steffen	193	31	245	27
Jerry Henning	164	27	205	25
Fred Foley	222	36	227	33
TOTAL	673		762	

Chairman Steffen discussed if a decision on the design build team can be done today.

Mr. Caton talked about the companies knowing that the funding may have to be split in payment.

MOTION: Commissioner

Henning would move to approve The Law Company Inc. to be the design build team for the Law Enforcement Center. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners. MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the March 18th, 2019 Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners. MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve Period 13 transfers and corrections in the amount of \$457,658.00. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners signed abatements.

The County Commissioners signed County Vouchers in the amount of \$77,143.44.

12:54 p.m. Charles

Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in to go over the quotes for the 2019 track loader after his review of the specs. Mr. Arensdorf suggested purchasing a Bobcat from White Star in the amount of \$61,813.86.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve purchasing a Bobcat from White Star in the amount of \$61,813.86. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf submitted his February 2019 department budget report for the Commissioners to review.

Mr. Arensdorf discussed with the County Commissioners about the North Main Project and that they are about done with Kansas Avenue and will be starting on Copeland Avenue.

Mr. Arensdorf gave the Commissioners an update on the South Central Solid Waste authority Plan and would need approval by the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the South Central Solid Waste authority Plan with Reno County. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion

was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Steffen discussed with Mr. Arensdorf about public comment he had received on the bridge South of Murdock and the posting of weight limit. Mr. Arensdorf let the Commissioners know that there has been no change in the weight limit on the bridge.

Steve Bachenberg discussed the bridges that were brought up in public comment.

Mr. Bachenberg let the Commissioners know that the cost for the Murdock safety project has come in around \$55,000.00 and he checked with KDOT to see if they will still cover the cost at 100%. They did receive verification back from KDOT and they will cover it.

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Mr. Bachenberg submitted a contract between Kingman County, Kansas and Schwab Eaton for the 2019 Surface Overlay Program.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the contract for consulting services for the 2019 Surface Overlay Program with Schwab Eaton not to exceed \$43,500.00. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Bachenberg received a call from Mr. Turner on a culvert and he went over the problem with water drainage.

Chairman Steffen discussed water sitting in front of the Sacred Heart Church in Cunningham.

Commissioner

Henning wanted to know if they are going to be having any millings from the North Main project.

Mr. Arensdorf let him know that it is contractor owned.

Commissioner Henning discussed the water standing issue at the Expo Center.

Mr. Arensdorf said he should get some millings from the 54 project that could be used.

Sheriff Randy Hill was in to talk to the County Commissioners about the Law Enforcement Center and wants to make sure that he is kept in on the decision making.

Stan Goetz, was in with two hire forms for two new jailers for the Sheriff's Department.

Mr. Goetz submitted the Department Head

meeting minutes for the Commissioners to review.

Mr. Goetz let the Commissioners know that there is a Planning/Zoning meeting tonight for a subdivision by the Norwich Area preliminary plat approval.

The Commissioners would like for all phases on design build team proposals to be put on the County website.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Commissioner Steffen moved to go into executive session with Carol Noblit, County Clerk and John Caton, County Counselor to discuss potential litigation. The County Commissioners returned to regular session at 2:30 p.m. with no binding action taken.

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Celebrations of Life Jesse Mercer

Jesse Erik David Mercer, 45, passed away Sunday, March 31, 2019 at his home in Preston. He was born November 17, 1973 in Hutchinson, the son of David Charles Mercer and Ethel Viola (Lake) Carter. On May 27, 1995, he married Yvonne Marie (Ferguson) Mercer at the Free Methodist Church in Pratt.



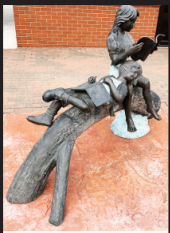
He graduated from Ashland High School in 1992. He received an Associates in Automotive Mechanics from Pratt Community College in 1995 and later his Bachelors in Secondary Education from the University of North Texas. He moved to Preston 9 years ago from Corinth, Texas. He was the Service Manager at Lanterman Motors. He was a member of the Pratt Free Methodist Church. He served as the Mayor of Preston, Youth Leader and Board Administration at Pratt Free Methodist Church and Youth Core Ministries. He enjoyed picking on his children and sister, woodworking, mechanics, cooking, smoking meats and decorating cakes.

He is survived by his wife, Yvonne; daughter, Megan (fiancé, Bobby Fanning) Mercer; son, Matthew Mercer; and mother, Ethel Carter all of Preston; father, David (Patricia) Mercer of Wichita; brother, Frank (Amy) Maggard of Parker, Colorado; sisters, Deidra (Richard) Rattay of Mason City, Iowa and Jonelle (Christopher) Knapp of Udall; and stepsisters, Leah (Jeff) Ellis of Kingman and Rachelle (Danny) Slates of Derby.

He was preceded in death by his brother, James Lee Maggard.

Visitation will be Friday, April 5, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. with family receiving friends from 5-7 at Larrison Mortuary, 300 Country Club Road, Pratt. Memorial Service will be held at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, April 6, 2019 at Free Methodist Church with Pastors Matthew Tuszynski and Mike McGovney presiding. Inurnment will be at a later date at Sylvia Cemetery, Sylvia.

Memorials may be made to Jesse Mercer Memorial Fund, Pratt Free Methodist Church or My Happy Place, Mason City, Iowa in care of Larrison Mortuary. Condolences may be left at www.larrisonmortuary.com.



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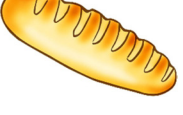
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