

Approved Minutes from the March BOE Meeting

The West Kingman County Board of Education meeting was called to order at

7:00 p.m. on Monday March 7, 2022, by President Scott DeWeese.

President, Scott DeWeese; Vice-President, Brent Miller; Members, Brent Hansen, Travis Thimesch, Vicki Oldham, Megan Green, Bjorn Halderson; Superintendent, Robert Reed; Principal, Cody Dunlap; and Clerk, Stacy Webster.

Motion made by Brent Hansen, seconded by Vicki Oldham, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion made by Brent Miller, seconded by Bjorn Halderson, to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2022 meeting. Motion carried 7-0.

Guests Karla Westerman and Roberta Kobbe arrived to the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Motion made by Vicki Oldham, sec-

onded by Megan Green, to approve the payment of bills and the financial reports as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Superintendent Reed reported that we were placed on a waiting list with 160 other schools who applied for the EPA bus grant and reviewed bus lease or purchase options. He also shared that there are currently 23 students qualified for the Honors trip to Mosley, we are still waiting for the stage lights to be installed and that our radio signal is weak in some areas and may need a repeater.

Principal Dunlap shared results from the PCC Academic Olympics. He also spoke about upcoming sports and academic events including track, music, ACT tests, state assessments, enrollment night, NHS blood drive, Junior High Play & Ag Pancake feed. Lastly he shared the KESA accreditation power point presentation that will be shown to our outside visitation team.

Special Education Report: Member Travis Thimesch reported that the investigation of an accounting error is still being discussed. He shared that the meeting was held at the Kingman

day school and a tour of the facility was included. He also noted there are several new board members and meeting attendance has been good.

Superintendent Reed updated the board on how the Bond information meetings and building tours are going. He also showed the school webpage which has a new link for bond information available for viewing.

Motion made by Travis Thimesch, seconded by Brent Miller to go into executive session with Superintendent Reed and Principal Dunlap at 7:50 p.m. to discuss contract negotiations under the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA and return to the board room at 7:55 p.m. YMotion carried 7-0.

President DeWeese declared the meeting in open session at 7:55 p.m.

Motion made by Vicki Oldham, seconded by Brent Miller to go into executive session with Superintendent Reed and Principal Dunlap at 7:55 p.m. to discuss personnel performance matters under the KOMA non-elected personnel exception and return to the board room

at 8:05 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

President DeWeese declared the meeting in open session at 8:05 p.m.

Motion made by Vicki Oldham, seconded by Brent Miller to go into executive session with Superintendent Reed and Principal Dunlap at 8:05 p.m. to discuss personnel performance matters under the KOMA non-elected personnel exception and return to the board room at 8:10 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

President DeWeese declared the meeting in open session at 8:10 p.m.

Motion made by Vicki Oldham, seconded by Brent Hansen to approve Emily Meireis as JH/HS teacher for the 2022-2023 School Year. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion made by Brent Miller, seconded by Travis Thimesch to accept the resignation of Ashley Nix as JH Cheer coach at the end of the 2021-2022 School Year. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion made by Travis Thimesch, seconded by Bjorn Halderson, to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Approved Minutes from the March BOE Retreat

The West Kingman County Board of Education met for a retreat in the Board of Education Office at 104 W 4th St., Cunningham, KS on Monday March 21, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 5:21 p.m. by President Scott DeWeese after enjoying a meal together.

President, Scott DeWeese; Vice-President, Brent Miller; Members, Travis Thimesch, Vicki Oldham, Bjorn Halderson, and Megan Green; Superintendent, Robert Reed; Principal, Cody Dunlap, and Clerk, Stacy Webster.

Superintendent Reed shared information with the board about:

1. Vehicle mileage and the status of our fleet vehicles.
 2. Technology status of the district.
 3. Legislative updates.
- President DeWeese declared a break at 7:28 until 7:35. Upon return discussion continued with:
4. Capital outlay timeline spreadsheet.
 5. Finance, including ESSER III information.
 6. Activities, The Softball/Baseball co-op status was discussed. Currently all schools have said no to baseball. Consensus was to check more

schools.

Motion made by Brent Miller, seconded by Megan Green, to go into executive session with administration present for 20 minutes at 8:20 p.m. to discuss personnel performance issues under the non- elected exception under KOMA and return to the board room at 8:40. Motion carried 6-0.

President DeWeese declared the meeting open at 8:40 p.m.

Motion made by Vicki Oldham, seconded by Travis Thimesch, to go into executive session with administration present for 20 minutes at 8:40 p.m. to discuss personnel performance issues under the non- elected exception under KOMA and return to the board room at

9:00. Motion carried 6-0.

President DeWeese declared the meeting open at 9:00 p.m.

Motion made by Brent Miller, seconded by Travis Thimesch, to go into executive session with administration present for 30 minutes at 9:00 p.m. to discuss personnel performance issues under the non- elected exception under KOMA and return to the board room at 9:30. Motion carried 6-0.

President DeWeese declared the meeting open at 9:30 p.m.

Motion made by Bjorn Halderson, seconded by Travis Thimesch, to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Minutes from Kingman County Canvass and Commission for April 11, 2022

The Board of Kingman County Canvassers met in the Commission Room of the County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas April 11th, 2022. Those present: Fred Foley, Canvasser; Jack Thimesch, Canvasser; Jerry Henning, Canvasser; Carol Noblit, County Election Officer; Brandon Ritcha, County Counselor

Visitors: Bob Morris, Kingman Leader-Courier; Larry Landwehr; Online Visitors: Caller 01

Staff: Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Linda Langley, Internal Auditor; LaDawn Stegman, Financial Officer and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director.

Chairman Foley called the Board of

County Canvassers meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Carol Noblit, County Election Officer presented to abstract of votes to the Board of Canvassers and 9 Provisional ballots that were cast at the Polls.

Ms. Noblit reviewed the Provisionals with the Board of Canvassers and 6 ballots cast were accepted to be counted by the Provisional Board.

Canvasser Foley recessed the Board of Canvassers meeting for the Provisional Board to count the ballots.

Chairman Foley called the Board of County Commissioners meeting to order at 8:40 a.m.

Visitors: Bob Morris, Kingman Leader-Courier; Larry Landwehr; Online Visitors: Caller 01; Joyce; Caller 02

Staff: Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Linda Langley, Internal Auditor; LaDawn

Stegman, Financial Officer and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director.

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

Commissioner Thimesch would like to give a report on the meeting attending last week.

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

County Clerk submitted the minutes of the April 4th, 2022 Commission meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the minutes of the April 4th, 2022 Commission meeting. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioners discussed the letter to KDOT

Chairman Foley moved to recess the Board of County Commissioners meeting at 8:47 a.m.

Canvasser Foley reconvened the Board of Canvassers meeting at 8:47 a.m.

Ms. Noblit presented the final canvass of ballots cast for the USD 332 Special Bond Election held April 5, 2022 including the provisionals.

The totals were: 293 YES and 228 NO

MOTION: Canvasser Henning moved to approve the USD 332 School Bond Election results. Canvasser Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Canvasser Thimesch moved to adjourn the board of canvassers meeting at 8:52 a.m. Canvasser Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the Board of Canvassers.
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IT'S
NATIONAL
HEALTH
INFORMATION
WEEK

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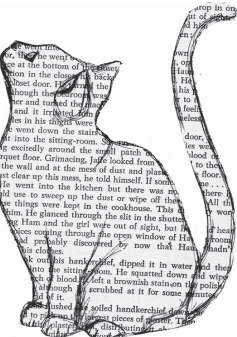
Sharon E.

Sharon Z.

Amber

Jane

Stephanie



Meanderings

Sometimes I have all these thoughts spinning around in my head, I think to myself, “Self, get these down before you lose them.” Then “self” doesn’t, and I write my meanderings and I realize I’ve left off many things I could have, should have, would have said.

Tallgrass and Tumbleweeds

by Gaille Pike

Dear Readers,

It was my honor and pleasure this week to chaperone a group of five year-olds to a community concert held in the local school’s gymnasium. I had been asked to escort them to hear “a brass band.” My unsuspecting ducks were in a row before we headed out, knowing only that a “surprise” was interrupting their routine. These youngsters have been trained to curb their natu-

There will have to be more days of spinning thoughts as I don’t have much room left this week what with Gaille’s delightful piece from the Flint Hills about the Fort Riley Band and a group of youngsters; and the clever and ‘healthy’ piece about chocolate from Dorothy Rosby up there in South Dakota. And not much room is okay today.

Good news, as you can see from the photo, I was able to glean a senior photo of the errant Everett Shelton. Thanks go to the Young Historical Museum in Little River. The only thing they asked in return? “If you are writing

an article we would like a copy.” I sent the information for our website.



I heard back from Carolyn Lundstrom, Secretary of the Library Board: “This has been quite an adventure for you, and for us at the Young Historical Library in Little River. I’m impressed with your news-

paper and with your column about Everett Shelton. We have a huge scrapbook with pictures of every graduating class that was printed in The Monitor-Journal, and also have many photos of graduating classes.

We’ll copy the article in the paper and add it to our files – thank you! We’ll also see that the school gets a copy! Everett was an interesting person.

So glad you are also a fan of Find a Grave!”

Mr. Danny Walker in Laramie, Wyoming, has put me in touch with Mr. Bill Schrage. Mr. Schrage was friends with one of Coach Shelton’s

players, Kenny Sailors of the jump shot fame.

Isn’t great all these folks I’ve ‘met’ through this paper?

Those of you from these parts, may well remember last Tuesday. It was hot enough some folks (but not me) turned on the AC (I heard everything from 80 to 90 degrees). I went to bed LATE ... about one in the a.m. I had a hard time falling asleep. I slept with the bedroom patio door open, and I could hear the wind. At four a.m. I turned on the fan that sets on the nightstand, as I was a big warm what with cats and a dog snuggling around me.

I actually woke up at 8:11. I could tell from the light in the bedroom that it was an overcast day. I was excited for rain., and I got up, roused the beasts and opened the bedroom blinds. It has been many, many moons since I’ve been as unhappily surprised as I was to see snow blowing and falling and swirling around. UGH!

Dan Frick’s photo on the masthead was taken last Wednesday. I know it’s not winter, but it was a memorable snow.

Always reading, and currently reading 'Barebane Castle' by Joan Aiken, Roberta

serpentine. Our stealth lay in tatters behind us as infectious giggles, chirps and chatter rippled from one child to the next. Though they followed me, I began to question my ability to carry out the orders and mission I’d been given.

If I had been the sole adult responsible, I probably would have had to turn those “tails” around without delay. But luckily for all of us, other more-PRE-K-experienced adults were also in tow and we managed to herd our chickees to the gym.

A hush fell over our crew when we walked in and saw six soldiers in

dress fatigues circled at center court. Even more remarkable was that this awed stillness extended well beyond our group to every man, woman and child that entered that cavernous room. The soldiers smiles and waves were returned, but not a single spectator made a peep. The only sounds were the creaks and thuds as we all took our seats.

I looked around as this band began to play and the eyes of every man, woman, and child present sparkled. On every face was a Christmas Morning ear-to-ear smile. And we were captivated from the first notes. That

“brass band” was the 1st Infantry Division Band out of Fort Riley. They played popular tunes for every generation present. The kids most loved the Adele song they did. Me, I teared up when they played “Penny Lane.”

I was five when the Beatles released this tune, and as the familiar strains reached my ears, more than memories flooded my mind. Images danced in my head of those times and the experiences I’ve lived since.

Echoes of this performance reverberated beyond those gym walls hours later as I reflected and considered the tradi-

tion this troupe carries forward, the history represented by The Big Red One Band—the band of the United States Army’s oldest continuously serving division since its organization during World War I. My heart swelled as I remembered my ducklings and their joy through the concert. I did not need to look in the mirror to know my eyes shine knowing the hope of our grateful nation is intertwined with our honorable past.

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

A Chocolate a Day Keeps the Doctor Away

I’m going to use a five-gallon tub for my Easter basket this year, and it won’t be filled with hardboiled eggs and Easter grass either. I’m going to pack it the brim with chocolate eggs, bunnies and bars because I just read yet another article touting the health benefits of chocolate. That’s why I eat it; because it’s good for me.

The article summarized a review published in the European Journal of Preventive Cardiology which found that eating chocolate more than once per week was linked with a reduced risk of coronary artery disease. Healthy heart, big butt. I think it’s worth it.

But wait! Maybe we can have our chocolate cake and eat it too. Another article I read said chocolate is actually associated with lower body mass index or BMI. I’m not making that up though it does sound like the kind of thing I would make up.

Researchers at the University of California surveyed more than a thousand people about their weekly food intake. Those who reported less

frequent chocolate consumption were heavier than those who reported eating chocolate more often. Now there’s news you can use. And I do.

I’ve also heard that indulging in chocolate daily makes you better looking, more creative and just plain smarter. Okay, I did make that up. But it isn’t hard to find articles about the benefits of chocolate. People are hungry for this kind of health information. We just eat it up. I know I do. In fact, sometimes I go overboard. When I read that eating oily fish is good for your heart, I went right out and bought a crate of kipper snacks. No, I didn’t do that. But I do follow good health advice when I hear it—if I like it.

You might wonder what my body mass index is after heeding so much good advice. Well, BMI is determined by dividing your weight in pounds by your height in inches squared and multiplying by a conversion factor of 703. In other words, it’s none of your business.

Let’s just say it would be a lot higher if I weren’t a bit of a skeptic. When I stumble across a story about how good chocolate is for me, my first question is always who

paid for the study? Ghirardelli? Hershey’s? Mars, Incorporated? And did that affect the results? I’m cynical by nature, plus I want to write and thank them.

I’m also curious how the data was collected. I’m dubious of studies that rely on participants to report accurately and honestly on their consumption habits. I know I’d be tempted to...uh...fudge my numbers a little.

Also, I want to know exactly how much chocolate it takes to stop hair loss, make you more charming or whatever other benefit researchers are claiming at the moment. They aren’t always clear on this, and I think it’s important that we have some guidance.

Chocolate Easter eggs are harder to limit than other health foods. You never hear of anyone overdoing it on kale. No one eats so many skinless chicken breasts that they can no longer waddle. I’m fond of arugula, but I don’t polish off the whole bag every time I have one in the house. And, while chocolate might be good for me, it might not be good for me in the quantity I like. Even arugula wouldn’t be healthful in that quantity.

Some studies linking chocolate consumption

to good health say all you need to benefit is a square a day. But a square what? A square foot?

Others say as little as four grams a day is all it takes. The only grams I’m familiar with are graham crackers, and I don’t think that’s the same thing. So, I went to that great treasure trove of diet advice in the sky, the internet, where I learned that one gram is roughly equal to four small paperclips. That wasn’t helpful. Nobody eats those.

So, in the interest of science, I went out and bought myself a Hershey bar. I was shocked to see on the label that my itsy-bitsy candy bar weighed forty-three grams or the equivalent of 172 paperclips. If I were to eat just four grams a day, it would take me eleven days to eat my little candy bar and on the last day, I’d be forced to eat a Hershey kiss too—or four paperclips.

It seems to me anyone who can eat just four grams of chocolate and leave the rest for another day is not a chocolate lover at all and should relinquish all their Easter candy to me.

Another question I have when I’m reading articles about the health advantages of chocolate is does it really have to

be dark chocolate as a lot of research claims. I do like dark chocolate; I just like it better with milk in it. And sugar—and nuts, toffee or malted milk. Let’s say you give me a variety bag of those fun size candy bars this Easter, which would be a nice gesture on your part. Of course, you’d save me time if you gave me a couple of full-sized candy bars, since I’m just going to unwrap ten or fifteen of the miniatures and eat them all at once anyway. An ounce of chocolate isn’t fun; a pound is fun.

At any rate, if you do give me a variety bag of fun size chocolate, here’s what will happen: First I’ll eat all the milk chocolate with nuts. Then I’ll eat all the milk chocolate with toffee or crisped rice or whatever else. Then I’ll eat the plain milk chocolate. And finally, after every bit of milk chocolate is gone, I’ll eat the dark chocolate—after smearing it with peanut butter.

Which leads me to the final question I have for chocolate researchers. Are the benefits of choco-

late enhanced or diminished by all the goodies that go into it? Chocolate is rarely a solo act. It pairs well with malted milk, marshmallows, cookie wafers, and any number of other foods that aren’t normally considered healthful. I even tried chocolate-covered bacon once. As it turns out, covering bacon with chocolate amounts to taking two things I like a great deal and turning them into one thing I don’t like at all.

And I can’t help but think that eating chocolate on bacon—or nougat, or a donut, or a large sundae with caramel, whipped cream, and sprinkles—might wipe out some of the health benefits. But I bet you still get to be smarter, better looking and more creative.

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Friday, April 22nd

JH Track at Burton

HS Track at Norwich

Thursday, April 28th

A.M. PreK to Zoo

K-2 Field trip

Saturday, April 23rd

CHS Prom

HS Mentor Lunch

Monday, April 25th

JH Scholars Bowl at Burton

Friday, April 29th

HS Track at Stafford

Tuesday, April 26th

PreK - 5th Grade

Spring Music Concert

Saturday, April 30th

State Music Festival

Wednesday, April 27th

5th grade - Kingman

Ag Day

7:00 p.m.

Book Club

Monday, May 2nd


7:00 p.m.

Spring Music Concert

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

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.

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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.

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Mon. - Thurs.
10:00 - 7:00

Friday: 10:00 - 6:00

Saturday: 10:00 - 2:00

Closed on Sundays

(620) 672-3041

City Council Will Meet Monday

Monday, April 25, 2022

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Meeting will be held at City Hall, 119 N. Main St. 6:30 p.m. – Call to Order

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Minutes of March 28, 2022 meeting

Public comments, concerns, & communications

Leslie Schrag – Approval of Demolition/ Dilapidated Structure Abatement Application

Fire Dept. – Harold Stark, Chief’s Report

Discussion – Vacating Swick Avenue

ATC Audit Agreement

Strong’s Insurance - Premium Comparison & Cyber Insurance

Skyland Grain Connection to Water Supply System Contract

Annual Appointments by Mayor

Appointment of Chairman of Planning & Zoning Board

Executive Session – Non-elected Personnel Matter (Review Applications)

Executive Session – Non-elected Personnel Matter (Employee Evaluations)

Reports

Property Officer

Planning & Zoning

Maintenance

Swimming Pool

Animal Control

Financial Report & payment of bills


Adjourn

Missing person?

The Class of 1972 is planning a 50 year class re-union! 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.



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South Central Community Foundation is Recruiting for Their Youth Program

South Central Community Foundation (SCCF) is currently recruiting for its Youth Making a Difference Council (YMAD) from the seven counties they serve.

YMAD is a program aimed to educate high school students about philanthropy, the grant making process, and the importance of giving back to their community. It also gives students the unique opportunity to learn and practice leadership skills, volunteerism, and community assessment by helping to select grant recipients from all seven counties.

Currently, YMAD meets twice yearly (in Pratt) and requires members to read community grant applications before attending the grant selection meeting this fall. Additionally, members will present the grants they selected at the county grant ceremonies and see the impact they helped fund.

SCCF is a nonprofit organization that serves Barber, Comanche, Kingman, Kiowa, Pratt, Rice, and Stafford Counties. For more information or to apply, please contact the office at (620) 672.7929 or visit www.sccfks.org.

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 its 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 medications 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.

“I have absolutely no pleasure in the stimulants in which I sometimes so madly indulge. It has not been in the pursuit of pleasure that I have periled life and reputation and reason. It has been the desperate attempt to escape from torturing memories, from a sense of insupportable loneliness and a dread of some strange impending doom.”

— Edgar Allan Poe

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Cunningham Community Center,

contact Ruth Shelman,

(620) 770-9153 or 318-6042

Kingman Historic Theatre

Thursday, April 21st

FREE Faith-Based Movie

Miracles From Heaven

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Thursday, April 28th

Throwback Thursday

Free Movie

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April 22nd - 24th

Bad Guys

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1932

April 29 – The Cunningham Base Ball Club defeated Kingman in their first game of the season on the Kingman diamond last Saturday afternoon by a score of 25 to 11.

Next Sunday the Cunningham boys will take on the Nashville nine on the local diamond on Leo Zrubek’s place south of town.

The boys playing on the Cunningham team this year are: Raymond, Matt, and Lawrence Zrubek, S. T. Kincheloe, Ray Shafer, Leo Zrubek, Uike Schnittker, Leo Panek, Joe Peterson, Theodore Harte, and Leo Blasi.

Miss Eugenia Crow closed a very successful term of school at Sunny Slope Wednesday. At noon the patrons gathered with well-filled baskets and everyone enjoyed a fine dinner. The afternoon picnic was planned for the Gibbens grove was postponed on account of the cold weather.

The Maud School of which Miss Blanche Miles teaches, celebrated their last day of school Thursday with a big basket dinner. A number of the city folks were invited to attend and partake of the food.

The last day of school was celebrated at Mead Creek Wednesday of this week with a big basket dinner. The Mead Creek school was taught by Mrs. Henry Roush.

The Shelman School closed Wednesday for this term and according to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lock they served a fine big basket dinner. Henry reported Thursday morning that he was at least five pounds heavier than he was Wednesday.

1937

April 23– The Fred DeWeese family of Union township suffered a near tragedy on Tuesday of last week, when grasshopper poison was mistaken for vinegar, and used in food, causing several members of the family to become deathly sick. Prompt action on the part of a neighbor who called soon after dinner, and the fact that only a small portion of the poison was used, probably prevented fatal results.

Mrs. Oliver DeWeese was just released Tuesday of this week, from the Kingman hospital, being a guest for supper at the home and having eaten Mince pie in which the poison was used.

J. G. Gibbens sold a span of grey horses to the U. S. government last week. Major Adamson, Head of the Remimount Division of the War Dep’t with headquarters at Kansas City, with Mrs. Adamson, made the trip here for the special purpose of purchasing this particular team. Mr. Adamson had purchased horses of Mr. Gibbens previously when a large group of horses were being bought up by the Gov’t and had admired the pair of greys at that time. The horses were delivered into K.C. last week.

A group of young folks enjoyed a wiener roast Tuesday evening at the Cooley Cabin. Those in the party were Mr. and Mrs. Warren Kailer, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Baber, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Shelman, M. and Mrs. George Easley, M. and Mrs. Loren Cooley, Misses Geneva DeWeese, Mary Louise Anderson, Eleanor Shelman, Cozette Taylor, Pauline Clark, Messrs. Waldo Shelman, John Baber, Alva Hellar, and Wilbur Slattery.

1942

April 24 – A government man has been in town this week overseeing the collecting and loading of a car load of scrap iron which is badly needed for defense purposes.

The surrounding community responded nicely to the drive, filling to the brim one railroad car and quite a pile besides. The government paid \$9.00 a ton for the old iron.

James Nossaman, son of Mrs. Jessie Nossaman, who enlisted in the United State Navy last November, is now with the Pacific Fleet at Pearl Harbor. He is on the U.S.S. Idaho.

Sergeant Henry Hart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hart, is stationed with the Army Air Corps, at Lane, South Carolina.

April 25– The pupils of Tully school, with their teacher, Mrs. Wayne Price, motored to Hutchinson last Thursday on a sight-seeing tour and visiting the following business houses: Betts Bakery, Hutchinson News-Herald, Police Station, Fire Station, Friber Company, and Radio Station KWBW, where their names were read over the radio. Those in the party were: Ruth and Virginia McClellan, Colene and Gary Fitzsimmons, Darrel Bowers, Ronald and Ray Peterson, Caren and Melva Fitzsimmons, Beverly Scott, Mrs. Vernon Fitzsimmons, Mrs. Paul Fitzsimmons, and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Price.

1947

The Cunningham high school track team took seventh place in the annual Pratt Junior College Relays held at Pratt last Friday. The local thin-clads led all other Class B entries in the 14-school event.

Jerome Schnittker scored all the Cunningham points, setting a new meet record in the javelin throw with a toss of 163 feet, 6 ½ inches, and taking third place in the shot put with a heave of 39 feet, 10 ½ inches.

1952

April 25– Cunningham Rural High School music contestants came home with very nice ratings from the State Music Festival held at Hays last Saturday.

Shirley Shafer, soprano, and Robert Pelzl, violinist, won No. 1 (Highly Superior) ratings; Roger Buntmeyer, baritone horn soloist, and Donnie Pelzl, clarinetist, won No. 2 (Superior) ratings; and Bessie Simonson, cornetist, won a No. 3 (Excellent) rating.

1962

April 26 – Alan Dafforn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Dafforn of this city, a senior at Cunningham Rural High School, has won a National Merit Scholarship in nationwide competition.

The 1,050 winners of National Merit Scholarships were chosen from a group of about 10,000 finalists. There were 18 National Merit Scholarship winners in Kansas.

Larry Millsap, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Millsap of Cunningham, has received a scholarship to the University of Kansas at Lawrence. Larry was a National Merit Scholarship Finalist last year.

The Senior Class will present their annual play, “Here Comes Charlie,” a comedy in three acts, Tuesday evening, May 1, at 8:00 o’clock in the high school gym-auditorium.

Members of the cast are Marilyn DeWeese, Janet Graves, Betty Kitson, Helen Mertens, LaVon Burling, Jerome Huslig, Bobby Meyers, and Larry Millsap. The play will be directed by Will Seacat and Weldon Allen.

1957

April 25 – Several weeks ago, Lowell Gridley, local fifth grader, wrote the Navy Department in Washington, D. C., requesting copies of the Navy’s “Occupational Handbook” for his class. Last week, Chief Boilerman Robert Harrison of the Navy’s Wichita Recruiting Office, delivered the handbooks.

Rev. John Bast, pastor of St. Peter’s Church of Willowdale for many years, will observe 50 years of priesthood with a Golden Sacradotal Celebration, Wednesday morning, May 1, at 10:00 o’clock at the church. The special services will be followed by a

church dinner and reception at the noon hour.

April 27– Almost 450 grade school student will participate in the Unified School District No. 332 Play Day to be held in Cunningham next Thursday, May 4. Schools participating in the play day are Zenda Grade School, Willowdale Grade School, St. Leo Grade School, and Cunningham Grade School.

1967

Rings and promises of marriage were exchanged by Miss Norma Greenlee and Mr. John Setter, both of Arlington, Va., in an April 1 ceremony at St. Rita’s Church in Alexandria, Va. Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Dan Cusenbary of Cunningham, and Mr. and Mrs. Louie Setter of Crary, N. Dak.

Column One, by Editor Bill Bradley

When a man is 20 years old and a young lady smiles at him when passing on the street, he looks himself over to see what makes him so attractive. When he is 40 years old and a lady smiles at him as they pass on the sidewalk, he looks around to see who is following him or looks to see what is unbuttoned.

Cars go down the streets of Cunningham pretty fast these days. In fact, the dogs usually can only get in one bark.

We suggest that some high school graduating class make the dandelion their class flower this year. The dandelion gets their regardless of all opposition.

1972

April 20– New officers of Carter-Luce American Legion Post No. 114 of Cunningham were installed at a meeting in the Lodge Hall, Monday evening.

Newly elected and installed officers for the coming year are Ralph Baber, Commander; Dennis Raney, Vice-Commander; Bob Witt, Adjutant; Jack Meyers, Finance Officer; Rev. Henry G. Dutcher, Chaplain; Mike Scripsick, Historian; Charles Lackey, Service Officer; Ernest Bishop, Sergeant-At-Arms; and Bill Bradley, Publicity Officer.

Sharon nosed out Cunningham and Pawnee Rock by a single point to win the Sharon Invitational Relays at Sharon, Tuesday afternoon.

Scoring for Cunningham were Bonnie Hamlett, first in the shot put with a toss of 34 feet, 1 inch; Mary Jane Lubbers, fifth in the high jump; Reta Ratcliff, third in the softball throw; Karla Rohr, first in the long jump; Mary Jane Lubbers, fifth in the long jump; Bonnie Hamlett, second in the discus throw; Cindy Mantooth, fourth in the 50-yard hurdles; Tina Shelman, fifth in the 75-yard dash; Karla Rohr, third in the 800-yard run; Kathy Johnston, second in the 100-yard hurdles; Cindy Mantooth, third in the 100-yard hurdles, and Cunningham won fourth place in the 440-yard relay.

A good crowd attended the annual Cunningham High School Athletic Banquet in the Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Tuesday evening. Following a bountiful covered dish supper, the program was opened by three “cheerleaders,” Ruby Parsons, Peggy Park, and Cindy Mantooth.

John Salavantis, new head football coach at Pratt Community Junior College, was the guest speaker.

Don Shorock served as master of ceremonies, and Coaches Jim Webster and Larry Nolte introduced their football, basketball, and track squads.

This annual event is sponsored by the Cunningham Lions Club. Coach Nolte is the present president of the club.



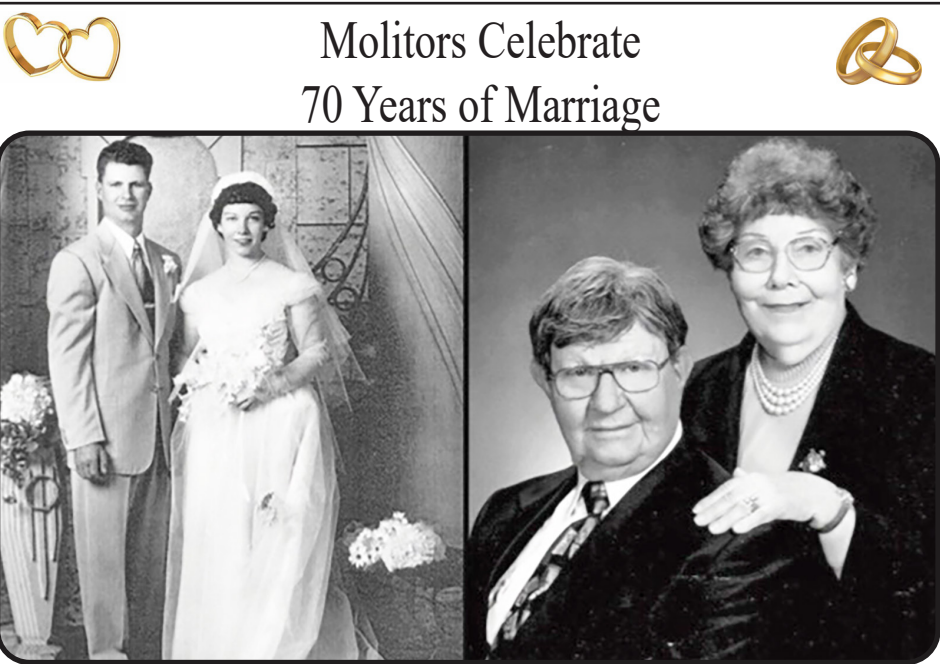
This photo was taken in front of the McLaughlin Lodge in Manitou Springs, Colorado. The young folks in the photo are the Cunningham High School class of 1953 on their Senior Trip. Jane and Jack Meyers have identified the seniors and and their chaperones, teachers and sponsors as:

Back row: Mr. Tony Huslig, Harold Adamson, Carroll McKinney, Jack Meyers, Paul Huslig, Arthur Huslig, Larry Ball, Leonard Schnittker, Jimmy Harmon, Melville Mefford, Eddie Johnson, Elmer Schnittker, Marvin Park, John Sterneker,

Front row: Mr. Wayne Oak, Mike Schnittker, Alda Singleton (Hodgkinson), Beverly Weir (DeWeese), Joyce Chaney, Jane Oak (Taylor), Anna Smith (Spratt), Shirley Neagle (Pfister) Darlene Simonson (Schreck), Ila Graves, Barbara Weir (Morti), Mrs. Arlene Bradley, Mr. Ray Greenley, commerce teacher.

(Gale Harris did not go on the trip)

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Richard and Angela Molitor will celebrate 70 years of marriage.

Richard son of William “Bude” and Anna (Anakay) Kimminau-Molitor -Willowdale, KS and Angela daughter of William “Bill” and Kathrine (Green) Patry-Colwich, KS were married at St. Patrick’s Catholic Church in Wichita on April 26,1952. Richard & Angela have resided on the same farm near Willowdale since their marriage in 1952. The couple will celebrate with their seven children (Mike, Marsha, Debbie, Connie, Sandy, Nancy and Lisa) and families on Saturday, April 23rd.

The family request a card shower to honor them- please send to:
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I would like to thank my family, friends, and neighbors for all your prayers, phone calls, texts and cards I received while I was in the hospital and when I returned home. I also appreciate everyone who helped keep the farm running these past few weeks. I am blessed to live in a wonderful and caring community.

-Bill Osner

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Consider this...

by Mike Johnson

The Soapbox Racer

Jason squeezed excitedly into his soapbox racer. Helmet fastened tightly under his chin, body leaning forward, eyes scanning downhill, he was ready for the big race.

The starting blocks were pulled free and gravity propelled the youngster’s handmade car down the incline. Expecting exhilaration, the boy instead was overtaken by fear. A fear so riveting, it erased the driving instructions he’d memorized. As his cart drifted to the left, the driver in the next lane yelled, “LOOKOUT!”, too late for Jason to avoid the collision.

As Jason’s racer careened to the right, his eyes clamped shut and he released the wheel, shielding his face from the onrushing obstacles.

The driverless racer roared downhill, scraping bushes, jumping curbs, hitting pedestrians and breaking through fences. Finally, after spinning around backwards, Jason’s momentum stopped and he opened his eyes.

Looking sheepishly back up the hill, he reviewed the path of havoc he’d left behind. People lay on sidewalks, lawns and street, all shaking fists at him. Shrubbery, fences, and mail lay scattered all over the yards. His own racer’s polished cowl was crushed in four different places, and one wheel lay spinning on the pavement, 30 yards ahead.

His father was the first to reach the shaken boy. Once he saw there were no injuries, he calmly asked the obvious question.

“Why did you let go of the wheel?”

“They MADE me crash!” yelled a defensive Jason, pointing at the people and obstructions he’d collided with on the way down the hill. “It’s not my fault, it’s their

fault!”

“Son,” said the father slowly, but firmly, “It was you who drove into the other car. It was you who let go of the steering wheel. Because you gave up control of your car, the damage that was caused is your responsibility.”

In this story, it’s easy to see that Jason was at fault. Just as we are, when we look back on our day and find havoc where we’d wanted to find heaven.

When we aren’t mentally steering ourselves, we’re careened off course by thoughts, feelings, wants, cravings and the comments of others. Like Jason, once we take our hands off the wheel, we roll wherever outside influences propel us. When we awaken at the bottom of another day, all too often, we’re not too proud of where we landed.

Holding on to the wheel of our own minds is the only way to find the happiness we work so hard to achieve. The reason so few find lasting happiness, is because we not only have no idea how to steer our minds, but very few even realize we own a steering wheel!

What we need, as did Jason, is to hang on to the wheel at all times. Our minds work like this: The real you, the naturally happy you, lies serenely behind your thoughts and feelings. Thoughts and feelings are no more “you” than a pair of pants are your legs. Yet thoughts and feelings, and their close cousins, wants and cravings, continually flow through our minds like traffic. WE remain safely on the sidewalk - until we reach out and embrace something in that roadway. Once we mentally grab a thought, we’re swept away to where it leads.

For instance, perhaps a thought of lack flows through our mind. As soon as we say to ourselves, “I’m poor,” we’ve identified with that thought, plucking it from the roadway of all other thoughts, and then attracting all the unhappy feelings that are connected to that unhappy

Top Ten Reasons Eve Was Created

10. God was worried that Adam would frequently become lost in the garden because he would not ask for directions.

9. God knew that one day Adam would require someone to locate and hand him the remote.

8. God knew Adam would never go out and buy himself a new fig leaf when his wore out

and would therefore need Eve to buy one for him.

7. God knew Adam would never be able to make a doctor, dentist or haircut appointment for himself.

6. God knew Adam would never remember which night to put the garbage on the curb.

5. God knew if the world was to be populated, men would never be able to handle the pain and discomfort of childbearing.

4. As the Keeper of the Garden, since he

The Lord is My Shepherd

A Sunday School teacher decided to have her 2 nd grade class memorize Psalm 23, one of the most quoted passages in the Bible. She gave the children a month to learn the chapter.

When his turn came, he stepped up to the microphone and proudly said, "The Lord is my Shepherd and that's all I need to know!"








Our Spotlight is on the Junior High Boys' Track Team





Courier photo



Front row: Cole Ruckle, Weston Rogers, Andrew Kerschen, Gabriel Chapman, Myles Thimesch, Will Halderson
2nd row: Adam Sterneker, Caleb Lohrke, Tyler Osner, Layne Green, Cole Gridley, Sevi Romine, Kollin Fischer, Gunner Glenn
3rd row: Hank Adams, Brody Bock, Richard Vaughn, Trey Shelton, Skyler Thimesch, Logan Kinsler, Cole Hageman
4th row: Stephen Kerschen, Jack Harden, Kendall Rogers, Nathan Ndambuki, Blake Swope, Dylan Halderson, Andrew Schultz, Wyatt King

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and the Junior High Girls' Track Team



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Back row: Rylee Miller, Whitney Mead, Emily Ogg, Grace Hageman, Kyra Morgan
Middle row: Assistant Coach Nicole Kerschen, Macy Neufeld, Nora Huff, Andi Young, Kourtnei Fischer, Coach Bob Stackhouse
Front Row: Piper Parkins, Morgan Oldham, Brynn Wyatt, Isabella Thimesch, Janessa Schnittker

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Emily Ogg

JH Track Team Splits to Compete at South Barber and Stafford

Cunningham took participants to both South Barber and Stafford in order to get more athletes in events. South Barber had 13 teams participate including: Alva, Argonia, Attica, Burlington, Caldwell, Chaparral, Cunningham, Fairview, Kingman, Medicine Lodge, Norwich, South Haven and South Barber. The 8th grade girls finished 9th with 24 points, 8th grade boys placed 5th with 57 points, 6-7th grade girls placed 8th with 10 points and 6-7th grade boys placed 3rd with 67 points. The Cunningham athletes who attended the Stafford meet participated against 13 Schools who included: Skyline, St. John, Reno County Home School, Ellinwood, Central Christian, Kinsley, Macksville, Pretty Prairie, Stafford, Cunningham, Fairfield, Burrton, and Skyline 6th grade. by Coach Bob Stackhouse

Results: South Barber

	6-7 th Girls	8 th Girls	6-7 th Boys	8 th Boys
High Jump		Emily Ogg 4 th 4'4"	Andrew Kerschen 5 th 4'2"	
Long Jump		Emily Ogg 11'4" Grace Hageman 11'25"	Andrew Kerschen 13'5"	Skyler Thimesch 5 th 14'9" Logan Kinsler 12'9"
Triple Jump			Andrew Kerschen 5 th 27'7.5" Caleb Lohrke 20'2.5"	Kendall Rogers 3 rd 29'2" Andrew Schultz 22'5"
Shot Put	Kourtnei Fischer 25'4" Whitney Mead 2 nd 27'10.5"	Kyra Morgan 3 rd 30'10"	Stephen Kerschen 3 rd 32'10.5" Layne Green 4 th 30'1"	Dylan Halderson 2 nd 35'4.5"
Discus	Whitney Mead 6 th 57'8.75" Kourtnei Fischer 53'3"	Kyra Morgan 3 rd 73'1.5"	Stephen Kerschen 1 st 128'10" Layne Green 69'4"	Dylan Halderson 1 st 108'1"
Pole Vault			Jack Harden 5 th 6'6" Kollin Fischer 3 rd 7'0"	Skyler Thimesch 2 nd 9'
100m	Brynn Wyatt 6 th 16.15	Emily Ogg 4 th 14.52 Grace Hageman 15.9	Stephen Kerschen 2 nd 13.12	Trey Shelton 14.84 Richard Vaughn 14.72
200m	Brynn Wyatt 33.96 Rylee Miller 33.62	Emily Ogg 4 th 30.87 Grace Hageman 33.65	Stephen Kerschen 2 nd 25.91	Dylan Halderson 29.34
400m	Rylee Miller 1:21.59			Skyler Thimesch 3 rd 57.52
800m			Jack Harden 3 rd 2:36.02	Blake Swope 2 nd 2:42.15
1600m			Jack Harden 2 nd 5:41.56	
100m Hurdles			Weston Rogers 6 th 21.75	Richard Vaughn 20.21
200 LH				
4X100 Relay	Miller, Fischer, Mead, Wyatt 1:08.18		Rogers, Lohrke, Fischer, Green 1:04.88	Sheldon, Schultz, Kinsler, Swope 6 th 1:00.1
4X200 Relay			Fischer, Rogers, Lohrke, Green 2:20.49	Rogers, Vaughn, Schultz, Swope 5 th 2:04.27
Medley Relay	Fischer, Mead, Miller, Wyatt 2:38		Fischer, Rogers, A. Kerschen, Harden 4 th 2:10.12	Shelton, Rogers, Halderson, Thimesch 3 rd 1:59.31

Results: Stafford

	6-7 th Girls	8 th Girls	6-7 th Boys	8 th Boys
High Jump				
Long Jump	Nora Huff 22 nd 9'5"		Gunner Glenn 32 nd 8'9.75" Cole Gridley 35 th 7'5.5"	
Triple Jump	Morgan Oldham 13 th 21'3.75" Macy Neufeld 14 th 21'3"		Adam Sterneker 13 th 22'6" Tyler Osner 14 th 22'1.5"	
Shot Put	Nora Huff 5 th 23'10.5" Andi Young 8 th 22'11"		Sevi Romine 19'8"	
Discus	Nora Huff 5 th 55'5" Andi Young 12 th 47'5"		Hank Adams 10 th 67'06"	
Pole Vault				
100m	Janessa Schnittker 25 th 19.57 Stasia Sheldon 27 th 24.00	Bella Thimesch 18.21	Brody Bock 30 th 18.14 Cole Gridley 36 th 19.9	
200m	Janessa Schnittker 20 th 36.28 Macy Neufeld 21 st 36.41	Bella Thimesch 36.98	Gunner Glenn 20 th 37.51 Brody Bock 21 st 38.83	
400m			Nathan Ndambuki 14 th 1:17.58 Gabriel Chapman 18 th 1:22.62	
800m				
1600m			Will Halderson 7 th 6:40.03	
100m Hurdles				
200 LH	Makenzie Hartley 10 th 40.87			
4X100 Relay	Huff, Young, Oldham, Hartley 9 th 1:12.42		Adams, Osner, Bock, Sterneker 9 th 1:09.95	
4X200 Relay	Harley, Neufeld, Schnittker, Oldham 5 th 2:25.25		Chapman, Sterneker, Glenn, Ndambuki 6 th 2:26.83	
Medley Relay	Oldham, Hartley, Schnittker, Neufeld 5 th		Osner, Thimesch, Romine, Ndambuki 9 th 2:40.59	

CHS Track Team Travels to South Barber

The Track team had another windy meet on Tuesday. We battled it out with many personal records. I'm proud of the improvements and the mental toughness the kids are bringing to the sport. Girls finished 10th and Boys finished 3rd. We head to Kingman on Tuesday 4-18 and Norwich Friday 4-22.

Boys finished 3rd place at this meet with 13 teams. 73 points scored. Congratulations! A lot of personal records for the season. We are still early in the season and seeing a lot of personal records is common. It is always exciting to see hard work and determination paying off on the track and in the field.

Cunningham Girls scored 17 points and a 10th place finish out of 13 teams. A lot of points missed out on. With some rearranging with events and personal we can get this fixed.

The girls are working hard but just need to be confident with their running. Lots of personal records on the day, proud of their effort. by Coach Eric Kerschen



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Memorial Scholarship. “My decision to choose an agricultural career was easy,” she wrote in her essay applying for the scholarship. “I have never considered another industry I want to be involved in. Who wouldn’t want to be part of an industry that affects everyone in the world each day?”

"I want a career that is rewarding, essential and engaging. I believe a career in milling science will fulfill these wants and give me a sense of contributing to society."

The Herb Clutter Memorial Scholarship was established in 2009 to honor Herb Clutter's influential role in organizing leadership groups on behalf of Kansas wheat producers. The scholarship is administered by the Kansas Association of Wheat Growers (KAWG) and awards one \$1,000

scholarship per year to a college or university-bound incoming freshman from Kansas pursuing a career in agriculture. Students applying for this scholarship must complete a 400-500 word essay discussing why they chose a career path in agriculture.

Herbert W. Clutter was a farmer from Holcomb and the first president of the National Association of Wheat Growers, which was established in 1948. Clutter encouraged Kansas wheat farmers to organize as a strong, unified voice, which led to the formation of the Kansas Association of Wheat Growers in 1952. He encouraged research in education and industrial uses of wheat, improved variety development and methods to produce the best product at the lowest cost. Clutter's efforts led to the

formation of the Kansas Wheat Commission by the Kansas legislature in 1957.

Like Clutter, Young also grew up on a small farm — albeit on the other side of the state in Osawatomie. A self-proclaimed “plant nerd,” she is a dedicated 4-H and FFA member, developing a passion for plant and seed identification, grain grading and seed analysis. In addition to competing herself, she helps coach the freshman agronomy team at her school and organizes a weed and seed identification contest at the local county fair each summer. She plans to continue honing her skills as part of the K-State crops judging team and as an agronomy minor.

"I discovered that I not only love learning about agronomy, I also love teaching it," she wrote.

“Going over the results with the contestants and sharing my knowledge with them are my favorite parts of the contest.”

To Young, the connection between the wheat in the field and the flour in a baked good is fascinating. Before selecting her primary major of milling science, she job-shadowed at a Grain Craft flour mill and was amazed at the timeless process of milling and its machinery.

"My love of agronomy and science opened the door to milling science," she wrote in her essay. "I loved every minute I was in the mill. I loved the hands-on part of the work, the transformation of wheat into flour, and the science behind the technology."

And to continue her passion for sharing agricultural know-how with others. Young plans to

pursue a secondary major
in global food systems
leadership.

"When I think of agriculture, I have images of Kansas wheat fields, combines and tractors," she wrote. "But the bigger picture includes global agriculture and the problems the world is facing. How can we meet the rising demand for more food of higher quality? What can we do to make agriculture more sustainable and protect the environment? Where does the Kansas farmer fit into this global picture? I feel that a secondary major in global food systems leadership will help me explore answers to these questions."

Learn more about the Herb Clutter Memorial Scholarship at kswheat.com/clutter.

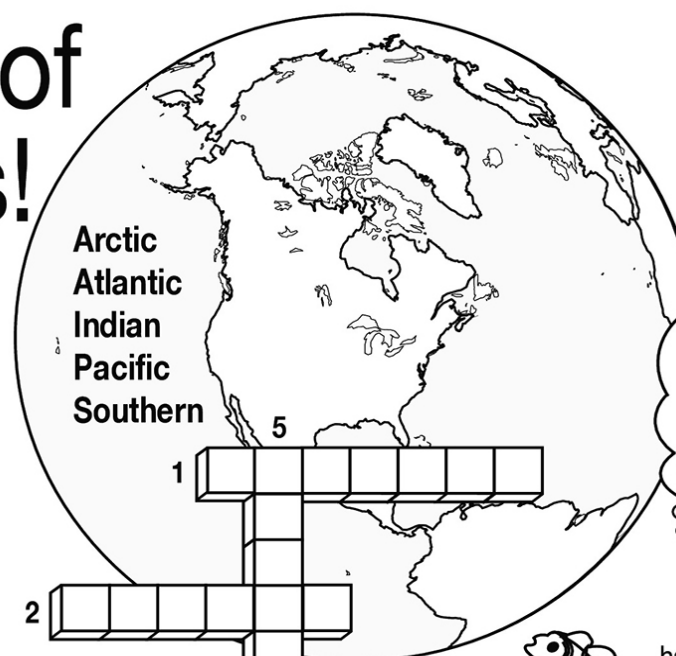
*Written by Julia Debes
for Kansas Wheat*



World of Oceans!

Would you like to live in a house under the ocean? It might be possible, but we don't know enough about the world's oceans yet to be able to build cities and live in the sea. Oceanographers, scientists who study the ocean, hope to unlock its many secrets. They study how the ocean affects our earth and our lives. They watch the effect our actions have on the oceans and ocean life.

You can be an "oceanographer" for a few minutes. Look at a flat map of the world or run your finger along a globe to see how the world's oceans join into one huge global or "world ocean." Notice how the continents (large land masses) divide the world ocean into five large oceans on the latest globes and maps.




The oceans cover more than 70% of the earth and contain 97% of its water. **Use a globe or map to fill in the crossword:**


1. Which ocean is the largest and deepest?
2. This ocean lies between North America and Europe.
3. Some people say that this ocean is part of the Atlantic Ocean. It is the water north of Asia, Europe and North America.
4. This ocean is east of Africa and south of Asia.
5. The waters of this ocean surround Antarctica.

Please
help to
keep all
bodies of
water clean!

Fighting Water Pollution

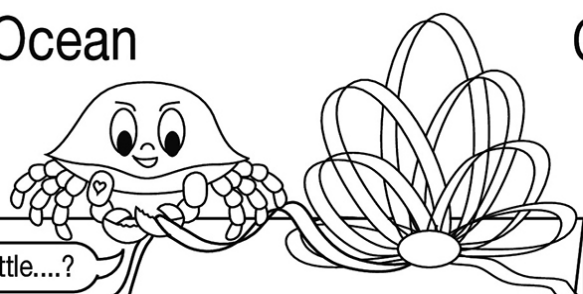
 If water at a beach or in a stream has high levels of bacteria or other pollution problems, it may be unsafe to swim in or eat its fish.

Match the numbered phrases to their second parts to see how people can fight water pollution:

- A. as much garbage and trash as we can
 - B. to help cut back on pollution from cars that can cause acid rain
 - C. all trash we produce while hiking, biking, picnicking or visiting the beach
 - D. household or boating products into the water
 - E. spills from ships and factories that hurt plants and animals in the water
 - F. all medical waste
- 


Gifts from the Ocean

We fish the ocean for food. We travel on it. The ocean gives us many gifts! **Can you find and circle some of these gifts below?**



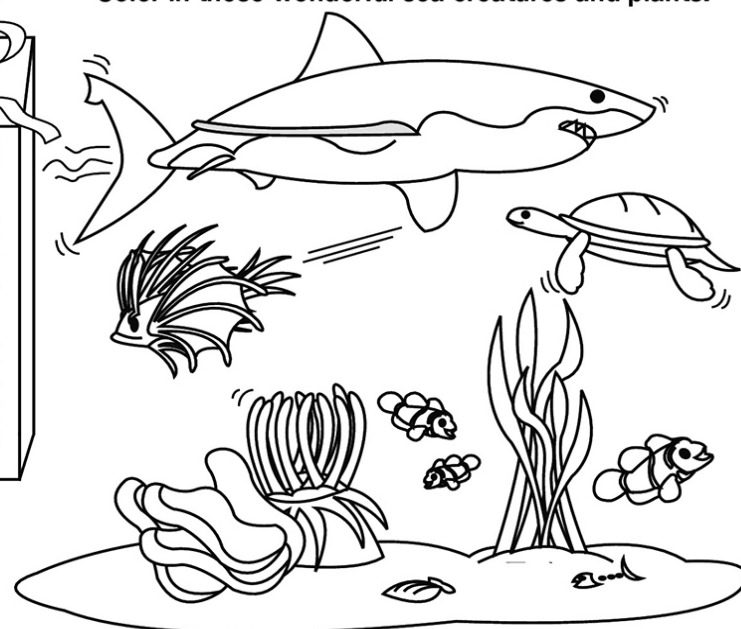
What will happen if I just pull on this a little....?

G I S E A W E E D L I J N R D E P M O Y T S E G N O P S
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gas	fish	coral	sponges	seaweed	pearls
oil	salt	water	fishing	shellfish	diving
			boating	minerals	travel

Creatures and Plants of the Sea

Don't forget that the oceans are home to many animals and plants. They need clean water to live in. **Color in these wonderful sea creatures and plants:**



Features of the Ocean Floor!



1. Chart these points on the graph. **F1, C2, D2.5, A4, F5, A6, D7.5, C8, F9** (The first point is done for you.)
2. Next, connect the dots in order from left to right. 3. Then, color in the puzzle. **G = Green B = Blue**

Believe it or not, the ocean floor is not flat! It has valleys, canyons, deep trenches, undersea volcanoes, broad plains and...

[illegible]

...chains!

(Answers on page 10)

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Minutes from Kingman County Canvas and Commission

Chairman Foley reconvened the Board of County Commissioners at 8:52 a.m.

Mike Garrett, Horizons Mental Health Administrator was in with an 8 month update for the County Commissioners. Mr. Garrett discussed that they are looking for his replacement. Commissioners let Mr. Garrett know that it has been a pleasure working with him for so many years.

Chairman read correspondence from KAC that is requesting a vote by the County Commissioners. MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to vote

in favor of the Human Resources Association becoming affiliate members of KAC(Kansas Association of Counties). Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners approved abatements.

Becky Luntsford, Kingman County Treasurer and Linda Langley, Internal Auditor were in to request an executive session for non-elect personnel matters. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Henning moved to go into executive session for non-elected personnel matters to discuss an employee's individual evaluation with Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer; Linda

Langley, Internal Auditor and Brandon Ritcha, County Counselor at 9:30 a.m. pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act, and they will return to open session in the Board meeting room at 9:45a.m. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners. County Commissioners returned to regular session at 9:45 a.m.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve a budget adjustment of costs for an employee. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Linda Langley, Internal Auditor and

LaDawn Stegman, Financial Officer were in to introduce LaDawn to the Commissioners.

Ms. Langley reviewed the monthly department budget reports with the County Commissioners and let them know that all departments are within budget.

Stan Goetz, HR/ Planning/Zoning/ Wastewater Director was in to let the Commissioners know that with the warmer weather there has been lots of calls on new construction.

The following building permits were approved:

Jason Moran for a shed in Section 29, Township 27, Range 06W.

Patrick & Ashlee McAdam for a house/ pole bard in Section 9, Township 28, Range

09W.

Les Mangus for a house/shed in Section 23, Township 29, Range 06W.

Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director and Brad Fagan, Schwab Eaton were in to open bids for the 2022 Surface Overlay Program, Phase 2. The bids received were the following:

APAC \$1,676,294.00

Cornejo & Sons \$1,142,984.50

Pearson Materials \$1,297,829.00

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the Cornejo & Sons bid of \$1,142,984.50 upon the approval of Brad Fagan, Engineers review. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County

Commissioners.

Mr. Fagan submitted a contract for engineering services from Schwab Eaton for the Norwich project and not to exceed \$81,000.00 for approval.

MOTION:

Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the contract from Schwab Eaton in the amount of \$81,000.00 for the Norwich Overlay. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 11:50 a.m. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Minutes from Pratt County Commission for April 11, 2022

The Pratt County commissioners met in regular session, Monday, April 11, 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, Lori Voss, county clerk and Mark Graber, IT director.

Heather Morgan, economic development/ COVID consultant, met with the city of Preston, submitted their ARPA report successfully. Meeting with the city of Sawyer tomorrow to assist them. She is working on Pratt County's report due April 30, 2022.

She reported the transportation infrastructure grant might be available to RSVP. She will keep in touch with Tara. Pratt Area Economic Development committee will meet this Wednesday, concerning the Pratt façade program to improve the exterior of their buildings. Chairman Shriver asked about certain grants for health care workers, she reported Pratt County health care workers did not qualify.

Catherine Rohrer, SCKCCA director, presented grant applications for approval for the juvenile intake and adult programs. She gave a short presentation on the services of her depart-

ment. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to apply for the fy2023 comprehensive grant. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Shriver made a motion to adopt the fy23 adult comprehensive plan. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Mike Garrett, Horizons Mental Health director, presented the financials through the end of February 2022. He compared actual to the prior year. He discussed work force challenges. He reported the Larned State Hospital has increased their staff numbers. He reported he will retire around the first of July 2022.

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

Tara Pagenkopf, RSVP director, presented checks for signatures.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve hiring Ryan Frazier for \$14.50 for the appraiser office. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve payment for an unclaimed body to Larrison Mortuary in the amount of \$1200.00. Commissioner Shriver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Tyson Eisenhauer, Will Wohlford from Morris Laing will be on Zoom next week to discuss the employee handbook. Commissioner

Jones made a motion to recess into executive session at 2:49 p.m. for five minutes to discuss an attorney client matter.

Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to return from executive session at 2:54 p.m. with no action taken. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Jason Winkel, landfill/recycling director, requested an executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to recess into executive session at 2:55 p.m. for fifteen 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 3:10 p.m. Commissioner Shriver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to transfer Chris Morelan from the road department to the recycling center at \$15.00 per hour. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

They once again discussed the area north of the lake for a disc golf course.

Doug Freund, road/ lake supervisor, discussed amending the 10-08-07 lake resolution.

Tyson will send out a draft to be reviewed and approved on Monday, April 18, 2022. He is still working on the 2018 flooding with FEMA. Discussed yard light at

Highway 61 and 20th Avenue, Ninnescah Electric needs a name to invoice. Scott with KDOT, flashing lights at 54 and 20th avenue, KDOT will not approve flashing lights at that intersection.

Commissioner Shriver made a motion to recess into executive at 3:20 pm for ten 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 3:30 p.m. with no action taken. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Shriver made a motion to approve a raise for Kyle Bailey to \$16.00 and Rick Wittig to \$16.00. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Shriver made a motion to approve a raise for Dean Roach to \$16.00 and Ethan Ailstock to \$15.50. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Jones stated he had received complaints on the road running around the Swisher Addition. Doug stated he would send the grader through there. After it rains he will be able to do more.

Darcie Vander Vyver, health director, needs a commissioner to sign the contract with PCC, they just sent for signature. The doors will be installed June 2022. Reported on the wood around the outside of the building, she would like

to replace. She would like to use special equipment funds to pay for it. Commissioners requested she attain three bids.

Tyson will check what qualifies for special equipment. She reported they have the second booster available.

Commissioner Shriver presented a contract between HCC and Pratt County EMS, students can come down and train with EMS to acquire lab hours. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to approve the field internship agreement between HCC and Pratt County EMS.

Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Tyson presented contracts from Kirkham Michael on the road project for signatures. Commissioner Shriver stated the preconstruction meeting will be May 11, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. for the road project.

Commissioner Jones stated the rubber steps have come loose on the


first-floor steps and it needs repaired. Also, some tiles have come loose and need to be repaired. Commissioner Jones will contact a few contractors for repairs.

Commissioner Shriver stated there were county employees going through the building, the contractors are wanting this stopped. He wants an email sent to all department heads and employees to not be out there. If they need to be there, contact Commissioner Shriver to make an appointment.



Township 12 has purchased a tanker and needs the county tanker out of their building. A building has been rented from Dale Withers to store the tanker for \$800 per month until the building is finished. He needs a list of items needed from Mark Graber, IT, for installing computers and phones by April 18th. He needs to find out if it

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Minutes from
Pratt County
Commission

can be paid out of arpa or capital improvement. He questioned if it had to be bid, since it’s not an ac-

tual permanent fixture it does not have to be.

The contractor that is doing the bid will run the road in one day. There could be drive on the north side while they are pouring the road. Tyson recommended the con-

tractor contact Oneok on driving over their line. He had questions on the sign out front and landscaping. There have been no final decisions made on those. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to recess into executive

session at 4:18 p.m. for fifteen 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 4:25 p.m. with no action taken. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve payment vouchers for April 11, 2022. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to adjourn at 4:30 p.m. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Public Notice

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IN THE THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

DONALD R. MERTENS, Deceased.

CASE NO. 2022 PR 21

(Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on April 15, 2022, a petition was filed in this Court by Mary B. Mertens, Executrix named in the “Last Will and Testament of Donald R. Mertens,” deceased, dated December 31, 2019, praying the will filed with the petition be admitted to probate and record; Petitioner be appointed as Executrix, without bond; and Petitioner be granted Letters

Testamentary.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before May 10, 2022, at 10:00 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.

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.

Mary B. Mertens, Petitioner

Matthew W. Ricke

Ricke Law Office

349 N. Main, PO Box 113

Kingman, KS 67068

Attorney for Petitioner

Kingman County Sheriff's Report	
Sunday, April 10th	
Traffic stops	2
Animal	SE 70 St & SE 40 Ave area, Kingman
Animal	6000 block W Hwy 54 Kingman
Disturbance	15000 block NE Paint Pony Tri, Cheney
Harassament	300 bock SE 80 Ave Murdock
Unlock Vehicle	16000 block NE 50 St. Cheney
Monday, April 11th	
Traffic stop	7
Traffic complaint	15000 block E Hwy 2 Norwich
Traffic complaint	SE 150 Ave & E Hwy 2 area, Norwich
Traffic complaint	4000 block SE 40 St. Kingman
Disturbance	400 block NE 160 Ave Cheney
Fire - outside	W Hyw 42 & SW 50 Ave area, Spivey
Suspicious persons	NE 40 AVE & E Hwy 54 area, Kingman
Tuesday, April 12th	
Traffic stops	5
Traffic complaint	18000 block W Hwy 54 Cunningham
911 call acc/hangup	5000 block W Hwy 54 Kingman
Alarm	16000 block SE 20 St. Cheney
Smoke investigation	13000 block SE 100 Ave Norwich
Smoke investigation	N Hwy 11 & W Hwy 54 area, Kingman
Theft	200 block W Stanley Ave. Spivey
Wednesday, April 13th	
Traffic stops	2
Traffic complaint	12000 block W Hwy 54 Cunningham
Traffic complaint	14000 block S Hwy 14 Rago
Animal	9000 block W Hwy 54 Cunningham
Animal	800 N Main St. Kingman
Suspicious person	300 block E. D Ave Kingman
Theft	7000 block NW 50 St. Cunningham
Vehicle abandoned	SE 140 St & SE 170 Ave area, Norwich
Thursday, April 14th	
Traffic complaint	SE 150 Ave & E Hwy 2 area, Norwich
Animal	300 block W Wallace Ave. Kingman
Fire investigation	17000 block S Hwy 14 Rago
Theft	10000 block SE 30 St. Murdock
Theft	14000 block SE 10 St. Cheney
Friday, April 15th	
Traffic stops	1
Traffic complaint	SW 20 Ave & W Hwy 54 area, Kingman
Parking complaint	500 block E Leiter Cunningham
Vehicle disabled	8000 W Hwy 42 area Zenda
Vehicle disabled	W Hwy 42 and SW 90 Ave area Zenda
Welfare check	SE 60 St Y SE 70 Ave area, Murdock
Saturday, April 16th	
Traffic stops	1
Traffic complaint	SW 20 St & SW 90 Ave area Cunningham
Animal	300 block N Lincoln St. Kingman
Animal	E Hwy 42 & SE 70 Ave. area Rago
Disturbance	5000 block NE 110 Ave. Pretty Prairie
Trespassing	500 block NE 120 Ave Murdock
Vehicle	E Hwy 42 & S Hwy 14 area Rago
Welfare check	800 E. E Ave Kingman

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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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS
CIVIL DEPARTMENT

Ditech Financial LLC

Plaintiff,

vs.

Jason Eric Hurt; Shawna Lou Hurt;

Linda Hurt n/k/a Linda Zrubek, a/k/a Linda Mare Moore

Defendants.

Case No. 2019-CV-000003

Court Number:

Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 60

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued to me by the Clerk of the District Court of Kingman County, Kansas, the undersigned Sheriff of Kingman County, Kansas, will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand, at the Front Door of the Courthouse at Kingman, Kingman County, Kansas, on May 12, 2022, at 10:00 AM, the following real estate:

TRACT I - A TRACT OF LAND IN THE SOUTH HALF (S/2) OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 30 SOUTH, RANGE 7 WEST OF THE 6TH P.M., KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 30 SOUTH, RANGE 7 WEST OF THE 6TH PM; THENCE NORTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SOUTHEAST QUARTER 1353.06 FEET, THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 89 DEGREES 28 MINUTES 35 SECONDS LEFT-WEST 2245.92 FEET; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 2 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 44 SECONDS RIGHT-WESTERLY 330.67 FEET; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 86 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 47 SECONDS RIGHT-NORTH 222.90 FEET FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 44 SECONDS LEFT-WEST 361.71 FEET; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 90 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 16 SECONDS LEFT-SOUTH 361.28 FEET; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 44 SECONDS LEFT-EAST 361.71 FEET; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 90 DEGREES 05MINUTES 16 SECONDS LEFT-NORTH 361.28 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO A 30.00 FOOT WIDE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS-EGRESS AND UTILITY PURPOSES, SAID EASEMENT BEING DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SE/4 OF SECTION 10-30S-7W OF THE 6TH P.M., THENCE NORTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SOUTHEAST QUARTER 1353.06 FEET FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 89 DEGREES 28'35" LEFT-WEST 2245.92 FEET; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 2 DEGREES 49'44" RIGHT-WESTERLY 330.67 FEET; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 86 DEGREES 15'47" RIGHT-NORTH 222.90 FEET; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 89 DEGREES 54'44" LEFT-WEST 361.71 FEET; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 89 DEGREES 54'44" RIGHT-NORTH 30.00 FEET; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 89 DEGREES 05'16" RIGHT-EAST 391.71 FEET; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 89 DEGREES 54'44" RIGHT-SOUTH 224.75 FEET; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 86 DEGREES 15'47" LEFT-EASTERLY 301.79 FEET; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 2 DEGREES 49'44" LEFT-EASTERLY 2244.94 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF SAID SOUTHEAST QUARTER; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 89 DEGREES 28'35" RIGHT-SOUTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SOUTHEAST QUARTER 30.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

TRACT II - A TRACT OF LAND IN THE SOUTH HALF (S/2) OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 30 SOUTH, RANGE 7 WEST OF THE 6TH P.M., KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF TRACT II, SAID CORNER ALSO BEING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF TRACT I; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 42 MINUTES 12 SECONDS WEST, ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID TRACT II, SAID SOUTH LINE ALSO BEING THE NORTH LINE OF TRACT I, A DISTANCE OF 361.71 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID TRACT II, SAID CORNER ALSO BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID TRACT I; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 23 MINUTES 04 SECONDS WEST, ON THE WEST LINE OF SAID TRACT II, A DISTANCE OF 258.58 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID TRACT II; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 42 MINUTES 12 SECONDS EAST, ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID TRACT II, A DISTANCE OF 361.71 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID TRACT II; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 23 MINUTES 04 SECONDS EAST, ON THE EAST LINE OF SAID TRACT II, A DISTANCE OF 258.58 FEET TO SAID POINT OF BEGINNING.

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Case No. 2021 PR 31

(Petition Pursuant to
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NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO
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You are hereby notified that on April 7, 2022, a Petition was filed in this Court by Melissa Tetrick, 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.

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Wilma Wilson

Wilma J. Wilson, 89, died April 14, 2022 in Wichita. She was born March 26, 1933, at St. Leo, Kansas the daughter of Edwin and Esther Schulte Wegerer.

A longtime resident of the Kingman community, she was retired from the Safeway and Food-4-Less grocery stores.



Wilma was a member of the St. Patrick Catholic Church and the Altar Society, both of Kingman.

On May 8, 1951, she married William A. Henning at St. Leo; he died Nov. 2, 1981. On August 25, 1983, she married Merle L. Wilson; he died May 12, 1999. Survivors include her children Dee and Larry McMillian, Patti Eck, Jo and Bill Sleffel, and Dennis and Sherri Henning; brother Frank Wegerer and his wife Kay; and sister-in-law Virleen Wegerer; grandchildren Ryan, Clarke, Kyle, Jay, Darrin, Ethan, Alex, and Jared; great-grandchildren Peyton, Nate, Sophia, Ellery, Brant, Gavin, Hugo, Fitz and Maverick. She was also preceded in death by her parents, her sister Helen Peters and brother Bob Wegerer; son-in-law Clink Eck; and infant daughter Mary.

Mass of Christian Burial was Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at St. Patrick Catholic Church, Kingman. Burial was in the Walnut Hill Cemetery.

Memorials may be made with the St. Patrick Grade School in care of Livingston Funeral Home.

Greta Snell

Greta Snell was born on the Epp Family Farm, northeast of Burrton, Kansas on July 6, 1938. She left this earth for heaven on Good Friday morning, April 15, 2022.

Greta loved learning and serving. She was gifted at both. She was Valedictorian of her graduating class at Central Christian High School. She was awarded a three-year nursing scholarship by the American Cancer Society. She completed training to become a Registered Nurse at Immanuel Hospital School of Nursing. She earned a B.S. at Grace Bible Institute, a year later.



In 1962, she began her thirty-eight-year career as an instructor at Grace Hospital School of Nursing where her potential was quickly evident. She was promoted to Director of Education for the newly formed Hutchinson Hospital Corp. She earned her Master of Science in Nursing at Wichita State University while holding her new position.

One of Greta’s nursing students introduced Greta to her future husband, Glen Snell. After her marriage to Glen, they lived on the farm near Kingman, Kansas.

Greta was a devout follower of Jesus Christ having been baptized in the Christian faith as a young teen at Burrton Mennonite Church. Her nursing career was a manifestation of her Christian faith. Most of her adult life she was an active member of the Methodist Church where among other positions, she served as a training leader for Stephens Ministry. She also served on the board and as a tireless volunteer at the Prairie Sunset Home, Pretty Prairie, Kansas.

Greta was predeceased by her parents Eva Dorothea (Pankratz) Epp and Cornelius F. Epp and her husband, Glen. She was also predeceased by her brother James, brother Leon, sister-in-law Kathy and nephew Justin.

She is survived by brother Carl and wife Jean, brother Gary and wife Janet, sister SuZan Klassen and husband Rodney, and sister-in-law Carol. In addition, Greta is survived by many loving cousins, nephews, and nieces.

Visitation: Livingston Funeral Home, Kingman, Kansas on Friday, April 22, 5:00-7:00 p.m. Memorial: Pretty Prairie United Methodist Church on Saturday, April 23, 1:30 p.m. followed by refreshments in Fellowship Hall. Memorial Contributions may be sent in her honor to: Prairie Sunset Home or Samaritan’s Purse.

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Bob Gilpin

Bob Gilpin, 81, passed away on Saturday, April 16, 2022 at Grand Plains Skilled Nursing in Pratt.

He was born August 10, 1940, in Pratt, KS., to Rex and June (Keller) Gilpin.

He married Loree (Byers) Gilpin on April 23, 1961, in Hoisington, KS. To this union was born three children: Marc Rex, Marla June, and Matthew Earle.



They were married for 61 years.

Bob graduated from high school in 1958, and from Pratt Community College in 1960, where he met the love of his life, Loree. Following their marriage, they moved to Wichita, where he attended Friends University, graduating with a B.A. in Biology and Chemistry.

He then accepted a position at Valley Center High School, where he taught for three years before moving to Moscow, Idaho, to attend the University of Idaho, and earning a M.A. in Aquatic Entomology in 1969. The family returned to Wichita, where he resumed his teaching career at Valley Center High School for one year before accepting a position in the Wichita Public School System at West High School. After teaching at West High School for two years, he moved the family back to Moscow, Idaho, to once again attend the University of Idaho, earning his PhD in Aquatic Entomology in 1975. He was employed as a biology instructor at Moscow High School for four years before returning to Kansas to be closer to family in 1979.

He taught chemistry and physics at Pratt High school from 1979 until retiring in 2000. During those years, he also taught chemistry classes at Pratt Community College and Adult Education Classes in Barber County, as well as being employed as a representative of Moorman’s Livestock Supplements, servicing the area farmers. He attended night classes at Northwestern Oklahoma State University earning an Administrative Degree in Secondary Education.

Bob also served as a part-time pastor in many area churches, both in Idaho and Pratt, for 40 years. His ministry also included music, with guitar and singing. After his retirement in 2000 he and his sons opened a small business, hydro testing of oxygen cylinders, which he operated for several years. During those years, he also provided full time daycare during the summer for four of his grandchildren. At the same time he was a substitute teacher at Skyline and Pratt for all grades. He found real joy in being a part of the lives of children, and his life as a teacher touched many. He will be remembered for this love.

Bob had numerous interests in life, including learning to pilot a plane, horseback riding, boating at the area lakes, exploring on his ATV and camping in the mountains of Colorado. He and Loree spent happy summers trail riding on horseback in the hills of Barber County with the Pratt Saddle Club. His favorite vacation spot was Cuchara, Colorado, where he enjoyed camping and hiking with his grandkids and other family members, and later exploring the mountain trails on his ATV with his family. Family time was very important to him.

Bob is survived by his wife, Loree, two sons, Marc Gilpin of rural Pratt, Matthew (Emily) Gilpin of Pratt, and one daughter, Marla Stark of Derby, one sister, Debra (Charles) Ridgway, of Lake Wabunsee, KS, six grandchildren, Kaitlyn Stark (Stetson) Broce, Austin Gilpin, Kasey Gilpin, Kamryn Stark, Beau Gilpin and Emma Gilpin.

Bob is preceded in death by his father, Rex Gilpin; mother, June Gilpin; sister, Jana Gilpin-Burrough. Private interment at Greenlawn Cemetary.

Memorials may be made to Pratt School foundation or Skyline School foundation or Interim Health Care in care of Larrison Mortuary, 300 Country Club Road, Pratt.

Alice Sander

Alice K. (Meis) Sander, 70, died Monday, April 11, 2022, surrounded by her family at her home in Murdock, KS, after fighting cancer for 6 months like a warrior, while maintaining dignity and grace throughout her courageous battle.

She was born November 18, 1951 in Hays, KS, the daughter of Gilbert and Velma (Eidson) Meis. She graduated from Hays High School in 1969. On October 19, 1974, she married Alvin B. “Brad” Sander in Kinsley, KS. She was a longtime resident of Victoria, KS before moving to Kingman, KS.



Alice loved quilting, sitting on her porch swing, cooking for her family and friends, traveling with her husband, spending time with her grandchildren and beloved bulldogs, and sending cards to those she loved. She was an avid sports fan and a loyal fan of her beloved Kansas Jayhawks. She always put others before herself.

She is survived by her husband Brad; two daughters Shannon Sander of Hays, KS and Mandi Stephenson of Cheney, KS; two grandchildren Connor Stephenson and Madilyn Stephenson; bulldogs Gertie and Roxie; brother Gilbert “Bill” Meis and wife Betty of Hays, KS; sisters Joan Schoendaller and husband Leonard of Colorado Springs, CO, Shari Dreiling and husband Alex of Hays, KS; sisters-in-law Gladys Swindler, Patty Billinger, Sandra Sander-Crawford; brother-in-law Darrell Sander, and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was proceeded in death by her parents; mother and father-in-law Alvin P. and Bonnie Sander; and two brothers-in-law Irwin “Irv” Sander and Marty Sander.

Memorial services will be held on April 30, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at Livingston’s Funeral Home, 1830 N. Main, Kingman, Kansas.

Memorials are suggested to University of Kansas Cancer Center, 2330 Shawnee Mission Parkway, Westwood, KS 66205, and Phoenix Home Care and Hospice, 3450 N. Rock Road, Ste. 213, Wichita, KS 67226.

Billie Davis

Billie Fay Davis, 92, passed away Sunday, April 10, 2022 at Ascension Via Christi St. Francis Hospital in Wichita. She was born on June 28, 1929 in Hobart, Oklahoma, to Emmet Lee and Gracie Lee (Nelson) Evans.

Billie graduated Hobert High School, Hobart Oklahoma in 1947. She worked for Elkview Hospital in Horbart, Ok as a cook. She was a member of The Pratt Baptist Church and the ladies guild. She loved to Watch T.V. and was an excellent cook. Billie was a very good seamstress and made a lot of her girls school clothes.

She is survived by his daughter, Vivian Lynn Swinford of Pratt; grandsons, Jimi Keith Swinford of Pratt and Jason Christopher Williams of Albuquerque, New Mexico; and son in-law, Kenneth Williams of Liberty, Missouri.

Billie is preceded in death by her Father, Emmet Lee Evans; Mother, Gracie Lee Nelson; and daughter Mary Ruth Williams.



Cremation has taken place. There will be no services.

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