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H.U.G.S. Grant Provides Funds for Cunningham Fire Department Radios

Southern Pioneer Electric presented the Cunningham Fire Department with \$1,500 in H.U.G.S. (Helping Us Give to Society) grant on November 4, 2021. The fire department will use the money to purchase a Motorola APX 900 7/800 MHz handheld radio compatible with the Kansas State 7/800 MHz radio system for use during mutual aid and fire calls.

"Cell phones work, but this radio will make it easier," said Harold Stark, Cunningham fire chief. "Because we provide mutual aid assistance to other counties, we wanted something that would work no matter where we are called to assist."

The new portable radio can be used in any of the department's three tanker trucks. The department says the radio will aid in communicating while locating water sources during emergencies.

"The addition of this radio will be a huge benefit to the emergency responders," said Ruby Terrazas, energy services coordinator for Southern Pioneer Electric and H.U.G.S. team member. "They will be able to relay information quickly and receive orders in a timely manner."

Southern Pioneer Electric's H.U.G.S. grants are available to projects that focus on improving the communities within the utility's service territory. An online application, and additional information about the program, can be found online at www.southpioneer.net.

Southern Pioneer Electric Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Pioneer Electric Cooperative, is headquartered out of Ulysses, Kansas. Southern Pioneer Electric Company has local offices in Liberal and Medicine Lodge, Kansas. Southern Pioneer Electric Company serves approximately 17,200 customers and operates in 10 counties and 34 communities. Southern Pioneer Electric Company's service territory stretches east from Liberal to



Anita Wendt (center) of Southern Pioneer Electric presents Harold Stark (left) and Monte Rose (right) with \$1,500 courtesy of Southern Pioneer Electric's H.U.G.S. program.

Medicine Lodge and north to Kingman and back west to Greensburg, Kansas. Southern Pioneer Electric Company is dedicated to providing customers with safe and reliable electric service. For

more information about the HUGS program, please contact Vice President of Energy Services, Anita Wendt. (Phone: 620.424.5271 and E-mail: awendt@pioneerelectric.coop).

An Editorial Rant and Outcomes of the Local Elections

Well, readers, another Election Day has come, gone and disappointed. In Kingman County there are 4,886 registered voters. (And no doubt some who are eligible to vote but aren't registered). One would think there would be a couple thousand voters who headed to the polls last Tuesday. No one has to drive too far to vote. No one has to wait in line for hours to vote. No one needs a water break during the voting process. There are opportunities to bump into folks to visit with. A trip to town isn't any big deal, there's no traffic to fight, no crime to worry about.... So why is it Kingman County only had 768 voters turnout for local elections? That is a mere 15.72% of voters who care enough about our county, our communities, our schools, our people, our tax dollars, to do their homework and vote

for whom they believe are the best folks for the job.

Less than 16%. That is a very disappointing statistic. Yes, we hear all the excuses. Pfft. There are few legitimate excuses for avoiding the polls. The others are just pfft.

Cunningham School Board at-large elections went like this:

Megan Green 188
Bjorn Halderson 185
Benn Henning 57
Vicki Oldham 181
Ericka Thimesch 79

Write ins: Don Becker 1; Ken Kerschen 1; Scott DeWeese 1 (Scott is currently on the school board and is president of said board) Jamie Thimesch 2; Kathy Albers 1; Abby Bock 2; Erin Strohl 1; John Kostner 0; John Osner 1; Jackie Ruckle 1; Total votes for school board were 689. There were 3 overvotes ballots and 52 undervote ballots. This is not 689 people who voted. If people voted for three candidates, there were

about 1/3 that many folks who voted (about 230) across the district and communities who send their children to school in Cunningham.

Cunningham Mayor elections went like this:

All were write-ins: Dane Huhman 1; Mary Stackhouse 2; Roberta Kobbe 18; Justin Mack 1; **Aaron Murphy 84**; There were no overvotes and 8 undervotes.

If you did the math, you would have counted 106 people who bothered to head to the Community Center to cast their ballots. ONE HUNDRED SIX. Our community seems to be shrinking, or caring less and less.

The City Council votes were all over the board. Some folks don't know who lives in town and can sit on the council and who lives out of town and can't be on it.

Again, all write-ins: Don Becker 2; Brian Hankins 1; Alan Theis 1; Keith Neufeld 3; Christine Cannon 4; Kathy

Albers 1; Eric Meyers 2; David Steffen; 3; Tim Schultz 2 (Tim is currently on city council and not up for re-election this time); Dave Uphoff; Nick Rogers; Jason Ruckle 2 (Jason is currently on city council and not up for reelection this time); Landon Oldham 1; Jared Glenn 1; Jeanette Rogers 2; ? 1; Ken Kerschen 1; Sean Crowley 1; Alan Albers 5; Bob Kerschen 1; Chad Kitson 1; Travis Thimesch 3; Eric Ruckle 1; Carl Vierthaler 1; Justin Mack 1; Rogene Jarmer 2; Kevin Halderson 2; Ed Vierthaler 1; Geronimo Kaster 1; Blank 1; **Bart Ricke 87**; **Craig Woodard 73**; **Tyler Thimesch 66**; Roberta Kobbe 1; Aaron Murphy 2. Total is 280 votes cast. No one overvoted, but 62 undervoted.

We will be having another election in the spring for a new high school bond project. I certainly hope the voter turnout is better in the spring than it was this past week.

-the editor

Minutes from Kingman County Commission for November 1st, 2021

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commission Room of the County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on November 1st, 2021. Those present: Jerry Henning, Chairman; Jack Thimesch, Commissioner; Fred Foley, Commissioner; Carol Noblit, County Clerk

Visitors: Bob Morris, Kingman Leader-Courier; Mike King and Jeff Hohnbaun

Staff: Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/

Zoning/Wastewater Director; Linda Langley, Internal Auditor; Sheriff Hill; Heather Kinsler, 911/Dispatch Director(online) and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director.

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

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

Chairman Henning wanted to add discussion of the 800 radio system at 10:30 a.m.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the agenda with the addition of the 800 radio system discussion at 10:30 a.m. Commissioner

Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the majority vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Henning asked if there were any public comments.

No public comments.

The County Clerk submitted the minutes of the October 25th, 2021 Commission meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the minutes of the October 25th, 2021 Commission meeting. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Henning discussed a vid-

eo he has seen on taking wind towers down with the board.

Commissioners discussed some budget items with Linda Langley, Internal Auditor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session at 9:00 a.m. with Stan Goetz, HR and Linda Langley, Internal Auditor to discuss individual employee's evaluation pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of non-elected personnel matters of nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed, and they will return to open session in the

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Kingman Healthcare Center recommends Original Medicare, however, if you are researching other options, please check with KHC to ensure that the insurance is in-network. Thank You



KINGMAN HEALTHCARE CENTER
For more information, please call 620.532.0150



Meanderings

It seems I have a lot of room to fill up this week in my Meanderings. It was a bit shorter, but then I decided to pontificate about the elections last week. Then I thought since it is information about said elections, it should be on the front page. Yep, it's also an editorial, but I am in charge of the paper and I can put anything I want anywhere I want. Apparently, I am feeling rather pompous today. I'm usually very nice and humble (hmm), so I grant myself a pompous day occasionally. And today is it.

Okay, I digress. After I added the election information/rant, I had to move part of the Commission minutes to the second page. Before I knew it, all that was left on this page was about an inch of space across the middle SO THEN, I moved the remainder of the Commission minutes to page 10 and look at what I have to fill... Yikes!

**** I sometimes wonder about 'research' done for the 'better good?' I recently saw this headline: On November 22nd Beauty and the Beast is turning 30! To celebrate the anniversary, Ziply determined every state's favorite Beauty and the Beast character. Really? I clicked on the link they sent along with this astounding news. I was not one of the Kansans who 'determined' our favorite character; that's a good thing because I know two characters in the animated film: Beauty and the Beast. Kansans 'determines' Beauty was their favorite character. Yawn! Yeah, now I'm thinking I sound elitist. So be it.

**** I guess it's time to update on the new pup. I think dealing with three dogs is what has made me rather contrary and pompous and irritable and elitist feeling lately. Clarence knows how to behave. He does. He's had 9 years of practice. Quin is getting the gist of expected behavior. Enough so that he was allowed full time outside the crate within three weeks of coming to live with us.

Belle Starr, the little outlaw, is not so quick to follow through on expectations. She's smart and wily. She's not a

beauty. She's not even cute. (photo on back page) She IS a terror. I am hoping in the years we have together she will become a true and loyal companion to all in the household.

I have a hard time getting work done. I have to get up and check on the dogs when it's too quiet (treat sack stolen from top of kennel in bedroom and all treats eaten); when it's too noisy (fighting and snarling); when it's too quiet (comforter from the cat/canine bed shredded in the backyard); when it's too noisy (cat food can rolling across the floor); when it's too quiet (another treat bag stolen from top of kennel) when it's too noisy (fighting and bullying) when it's too quiet (sofa throw torn to shreds in the bedroom); when it's too noisy (bullying and fighting). The list goes on and on. It's too quiet I have to check what they are up to. When it's too noisy, I have to go and tell them to quiet down and remove Belle from the fracas and crate her. And sometimes, Clarence gets removed because he's an instigator in the fighting.

Belle knows cat food is off limits. Belle tries her best to steal the cat food without getting caught. 99% of the time the little outlaw succeeds. I keep the cat food up on a table away from

the dogs. Belle found a way to get up on the table using a nearby chair that was piled with large Rubbermaid containers to keep dogs off, and she devoured all the cat food on the plate. I scolded her -- loudly. She looked contrite. I move the dish up on a chest of drawers. She found a way to get up on the bureau using another table nearby. When I picked up the empty plate, she tucked her tail and ran outside.

She then decided the cat food container from which the cat food is dipped, was open for stealing. She pulled it off the shelf and an almost full bag of catfood scattered everywhere. All dogs were on it immediately. Mayhem and loud cursing transpired.

I have moved the table and the cat food into my master bath. I put a baby/dog gate at the door. I just heard the can used for dipping cat food hit the floor. She had managed to squeeze past the gate and get into the bathroom.

As soon as I opened the bedroom door, she bolted out of bathroom, tail tucked, and tried to hide behind Clarence. She still was loudly scolded.

And the cats don't like Belle. She galumphs into a room and the hissing and growling comes from every corner and chair where there is a cat.

And what does Belle do? She runs around looking to see where the hissing and growling are coming from. Then she starts in teasing the cats. She acts like she's going to get them. Then the spitting starts. And then Belle is banished from the room.

ZsaZsa has so far been the only one to show her who's in charge. The old girl was sleeping on the sofa and Belle jumped up to see what reaction she'd get, I guess. ZsaZsa reached up with both paws and stuck one claw in Belle's neck and one in her nose. They both froze. I was headed over to help get claws out of neck and nose, when Belle simply jumped down off the sofa. The sheath on one of ZsaZsa's nails was stuck in Belle's nose. I pulled it off. Belle was totally unconcerned about it.

Feeding time was a trial at first. I fed Clarence inside the first few times. He has territory issues when it comes to his food.

Belle and Quin are eating. Belle then goes to Quin's dish and eats. Quin goes to her dish and eats. Belle goes back to her dish and pushes Quin away. This happened 4 or 5 times until Quin just tucked his tail and left. I called him back. I sat next to Belle the rest of the time and pulled her back to HER dish everytime

she tried to get to Quin's. I sat with them every meal time, pulling Belle back to her dish. After a few days I added ol' Clarence to the mix.

Belle ate all her food, then she circled Clarence. Went back to her dish. Circled Clarence. back to her dish. Here is the interesting part. She always circled counter-clockwise.

Once Clarence's rear end was close to the deck rail, Belle circled, oops! Couldn't get through, so she crawled under his belly. Twice she did this. Clarence didn't even seem to notice.

But the one time Belle tried to eat from his dish, he took her down. She hasn't tried it since.

I know we will get this worked out so all dogs behave and play nicely together all the time. It may take YEARS, but we will get it done.

Always reading, and currently reading, "The Better Man" by Louise Penny, Roberta

"Everyone in the farmyard was staring at Gamache with open astonishment, including the donkeys. But human behavior often astonished them."

— Louise Penny, A Better Man

My Breast Cancer Experience Part 13

By Beth Blasi 2021



Part 13-Lucky or Unlucky?

You know some buildings skip floor 13. Friday the 13th causes uneasiness. Did you know that "triskaidekaphobia" is having an immersive and ongoing phobia / fear of the number 13 - www.triskaidekaphobia.info/? In some cultures, it is actually a lucky number. My husband suggested naming this Part 12.5. It's just ironic that I'm wrapping up my pre-chemotherapy experiences on Part 13. Good luck or omen of more experiences to come?

More time to wait-Still having two weeks before treatments start, I tried to wrap up as many loose ends as possible since I had no idea how I'm going to feel once I start chemotherapy. I opted to get my hair cut shorter so that when it falls out, maybe it wouldn't be so drastic. The shorter cut allowed my fun colors to show up a little more since they weren't so covered up.

I attended the budget meetings for the city and township (how I got involved in that is another long story). Hopefully, I'll be okay enough to attend the final approval meetings as those will be after my treatments start.

I had one last weekend of knowing I'd feel fine before venturing into the world of chemotherapy. I talked my husband into going to a couple more of the Kansas Scenic Byways in Western Kansas. With Covid easing, we found that finding a hotel to stay in Western Kansas was not as easy or cheap as it used to be. We back-tracked quite a bit just to get to a place to stay. We traveled the Scenic Byways, saw some new sites, and enjoyed some local bar and grill food. We even got in the middle of a wind/thunderstorm on the way home that, of course, did not leave any rain at our house.

Recap-You lucky readers! I was able to condense

the two years of 2019 & 2020 and the 15 weeks of pre-chemotherapy experiences (from April Fool's Day to mid-July 2021) into only 13 weeks of newspaper articles! As a recap, these are the "experiences" I've had (not all cancer related):

- » Mammograms - Regular and Diagnostic
» Sonograms
» Biopsy - Left (2020) & Right Breasts
» EKG
» MRI (3) - Breast, Liver/Abdomen, Pelvic
» CT - Chest
» Sentinel Node Injection
» Surgery (3) - Papilloma Removal (2020), Bilateral Mastectomy, Port-a-Cath
» Genetic BRCA Testing (blood-draw)
» Oncotype DX Testing (tumor after surgery)
» DEXA Scan
» PET Scan
» Bloodwork - numerous times
» Prosthetics, Wig, and Head-Coverings
» Vaccines - Shingles, Flu, Covid
» Poison Ivy
» Funeral
» Weddings
» Dental Cleanings
» Hair Colors and Hair Cut
» Budget Meetings
» Scenic Byways
» Retiring
» Becoming a Grandmother
» Pandemic

Exercise-At the first of this year (not really a New Year's Resolution - I can never keep those), I was determined to try to walk on the treadmill for 30 minutes a day. Previously, I would try to walk outside for a mile or two in good weather. However, I am such a fair-weather walker that it wasn't working

out so well - the weather wasn't cooperating - cold, rainy, hot, windy (guess I can come up with all types of excuses - ha ha). So, the treadmill was my friend. Of course, I miss a few days here and there but I really am trying to keep up with the 30 minutes a day - even through my chemotherapy. The speed may be slower and sometimes not the full 30 minutes, but I'm doing it. I've read that it's good for you during these recovery times to get moving and I believe it. There are days you don't want to but it does give you a sense of accomplishment. I also have the TV turned on to old movies - many of them black and white and some silent - and they have been interesting to watch while walking (I put on the closed captioning since the treadmill makes noise). If the show isn't over after my 30 minutes, I usually have to sit down and finish it. Gotta love the hairstyles, fashions, false eyelashes, pin-striped suits, etc. Amazing what those old movies can convey via music and facial expressions.

Chemotherapy - my fear, the world of the unknown, "everybody is different", is about to begin. I had received the info I requested from the oncologist, had done internet research, read the info in the couple books I had, and felt somewhat prepared for this stage.

By the time you are reading this, I have actually completed my 6 treatments from July to November. I just want to thank all the brave women and their doctors over the years that went thru treatments, clinical trials, and I am assuming experimenting with different combinations of drugs that have reduced the nausea and pain that we've all heard stories about with chemo treatments. I feel very lucky that for the most part, I have not experienced any severe reactions and feel very fortunate. Of course, there are many types of cancer where chemo is used and everyone has their own reactions. I heard stories of not feeling sick at all, to just getting very tired, to going to work with

the co-workers just knowing there would be mad dashes to the bathroom to throw up. I also want to thank the all the other friends, neighbors, and cousins that went through this and for sharing their experiences and words of wisdom. And the nurses at the oncology center for their suggestions. I also need to thank everyone for their prayers, support, lunches, vacations, understanding, and help when I needed it.

Next Week - Chemotherapy Nitty Gritty

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Friday, November 12th 7:00 p.m. High School Play: "How to Host a Murder Mystery Dinner Party"	Wednesday, November 17th 7:00 p.m. Book Club "Book of Lost Friends" by Wingate
Saturday, November 13th 5:00-8:00 Community Center 'Pancakes for Parker'	Friday, November 19th HS lock-in begins at 9:30 p.m.
Monday, November 15th JH BB at Argonia *** HS BB Practice Begins	Saturday, November 20th HS lock-in ends at 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 16th 7:00 p.m. Community Center Presentation by Martha and Don Hellar	Monday, November 22nd 4:00 p.m. JH BB vs Chase at HOME
	Wednesday, November 24th Thanksgiving Break begins

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

"All good books are alike in that they are truer than if they had really happened and after you are finished reading one you will feel that all that happened to you and afterwards it all belongs to you: the good and the bad, the ecstasy, the remorse and sorrow, the people and the places and how the weather was. If you can get so that you can give that to people, then you are a writer."
— Ernest Hemingway

Libraries

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

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

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

Pratt Public Library
Mon. - Thurs.
10:00 - 7:00
Friday: 10:00 - 6:00
Saturday: 10:00 - 2:00
Closed on Sundays
(620) 672-3041



Pancakes for Parker

On Saturday, November 13th from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. there will be pancake supper at the Cunningham Community Center to raise funds for the Patton family. The proceeds will go to the family to help with expenses for little Parker's travels to Omaha for visits with a transplant doctor. Questions can be directed to: Grace Patton at 620-770-6069 or Justin and Sarah Mack at 620-491-2660. Donations can also be left at the Ninnescah Valley Bank.

A Note of Thanks
Thanks to everyone for the cards, messages, thoughts, prayers, and everyone that has helped me after my accident. It makes you appreciate living in a great community.
- Mary Lou Osner

Kingman Historic Theatre
237 N. Main in Kingman
(620) 532-1253
<http://www.kingmantheatre.org/>
All Seats \$6.00
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Showtimes:
Friday & Saturday at 7:30
Sunday at 5:30

November 12th - 14th Dune
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FIRST 49 PATRONS WILL GET FREE ADMISSION ON SATURDAY

November 15, 2021 Carpe Diem String Quartet
Concert Begins at 7:00pm
Doors Open at 6:00pm.
Tickets sales began Monday, October 25th at [outhusetickets.com](https://www.outhusetickets.com) or at the theatre box office during normal box office hours.
<https://www.carpediemstringquartet.com/>

C'est la Vie en France



The public is invited to hear Martha and Don Hellar share the highlights of their trip to France.

Join the Lions' Club on Tuesday, November 16th at 7:00 p.m. at the Cunningham Community Center. Everyone is WELCOME!



Pratt Community College Will Perform "A Christmas to Remember"

Mark your calendars for Pratt Community College's "A Christmas to Remember". The Performing Arts department will be performing December 3rd and 4th at 7:30 p.m. and December 5th at 2:30 p.m.



*"We are the music-makers,
And we are the dreamers of dreams,
Wandering by lone sea-breakers,
And sitting by desolate streams.
World-losers and world-forsakers,
Upon whom the pale moon gleams;
Yet we are the movers and shakers,
Of the world forever, it seems."*
— Arthur O'Shaughnessy,
Poems of Arthur O'Shaughnessy.

All Together Now! Comes to Barclay College

Haviland, KS – September 21, 2021 – Barclay College joins thousands of theatrical organizations around the globe by producing their own local production of Music Theatre International's All Together Now!: A Global Event Celebrating Local Theatre. Theatrical licensor Music Theatre International (MTI) created this revue for theatres across the globe to use as a local fundraising event performed over the same weekend of November 12, 2021

All Together Now! features songs from MTI's beloved catalogue of musicals including songs from Annie, Mary Poppins, High School Musical, Frozen, Matilda, Rent, Newsies, and many more!
Performances are Friday, November 12, 7:00 pm; Saturday, November 13, 7:00 pm; and Sunday, November 14, 3:00 pm. VIP tickets are \$15, adult tickets \$10 and child tickets (ages 5-12) are \$5. A VIP Dinner package is available for the Saturday night performance. This \$50 package includes a VIP ticket to the show, a catered meal, and a short pre-show presentation. Seating for the VIP dinner is limited. Tickets are available at barclaycollege.edu/ATN or by contacting Randi Shetley at 620-862-5252.

"We are incredibly excited to be back on stage this fall with performances of MTI's All Together Now!," stated Randi Shetley, Director of Fine Arts at Barclay College. "We are thrilled to bring back some favorite songs from our past shows and to introduce our patrons to new ones. This will be a great show for all ages!"
MTI's President and CEO, Drew Cohen stated, "MTI's All Together Now! is about bringing people back to the theatre, whether as audience members or cast, crew and musicians. The revue features songs from the world's most iconic musicals, so there is definitely something for everyone to enjoy. Our goal with this worldwide event is for organizations to provide hope, inspiration and excitement to their communities through the transformative power of musical theatre."

Promo Video at: <https://youtu.be/DHdfuIYEGwc>

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MUSIC THEATRE INTERNATIONAL
ALL TOGETHER NOW!
a global event celebrating local theatre

November 12 @ 7pm
November 13 @ 7pm
November 14 @ 3pm

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Community Thanksgiving Service

Sunday, November 21st at 6:00 p.m.
 Sacred Heart Parish Hall
 Cunningham, Kansas

Music and Thanksgiving message provided by our local pastors

Coffee, Tea, Snacks and Sweets will be served.

There will be an opportunity to contribute to the Hands of Hope Food Bank to benefit our community, either via donations of food items or by monetary contributions.

All are welcome!



"It seemed funny to me that the sunset she saw from her patio and the one I saw from the back steps was the same one. Maybe the two different worlds we lived in weren't so different. We saw the same sunset."

— S.E. Hinton, *The Outsiders*

photo by Joyce Deppenbusch

Kingman County Humane Society to Hold Open House



Saturday, November 20, 2021
 10:30 am - 2pm
 811 E Ave C Kingman

Happy Birthday Wishes
to
Kellie Schonlau





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

Spay and Neuter Those Pets!!

Catholic Churches

 Sacred Heart, Cunningham Saturday 4:00 p.m. St. Leo Sunday 8:30 a.m.	St. John, Zenda Sunday 10:00 a.m. St. Peter Willowdale Saturday 5:30 p.m.
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Father Roger Lumbre
 620-243-5451
 620-246-5370



Lutheran Churches

St. John, Nashville 620-246-5220 Sunday School & Bible Class 9:45 a.m. Worship Service 8:30 a.m.	Trinity, Medicine Lodge 620- 886-3397 Sunday School & Bible Class 9:15 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
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Our worship service is found on the YouTube channel at:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCrenCH12I9nmpcojCFyYLA>

Pastor Dennis Fangmeyer
 Cell: 620-886-0911



Church of Christ
 Penalosa
 Sunday 11:00 a.m.



First Christian Church
 Cunningham
 Facebook:
<https://www.facebook.com/CunninghamChristianChurch>
 Pastor Mike McGovney
 620-298-3201



United Methodist Church

Penalosa Worship 9:15 a.m.	Cunningham Worship 10:45 a.m. Pastor Mathew Ndambuki Musyoki 620-298-2090
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Zenda
 Worship 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday School: Children 8:30 a.m. Adults 10:00 a.m.
 Pastor Ken Keeling
 620-491-0680



SPECIAL GUEST AMBASSADOR SANDY

It's our 20 year Anniversary

KCHS BUILDING GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION

Come celebrate with us!
 Food and beverages available
 for a free-will donation
 Enter the raffle to win a rack of smoked ribs

Cunningham Hands of Hope, Inc.

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

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

When: Every Tuesday from 2:00-6:00 p.m.

Where: 117 N Main (Old School Board Office)

Why: To provide food assistance to those in need.

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

Do you need assistance outside distribution hours?

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

Fundraisers & Charitable Opportunities in our Community

- Cunningham Public Library**
- 4C Day Care** Shop smile.amazon.com or contact Kathy Albers 620-298-2725 or 620-388-0774
- West Kingman County Education Foundation**
 Use your Dillon's Card! Shop smile.amazon.com
 (Janet DeWeese 620-298-2717)
- Hands of Hope** (contact Fitzsimmons Insurance or any church)
- Cunningham Alumni Scholarship Fund**
 (send checks to the West Kingman County Education Foundation)
- Cunningham Community Center** (leave donation at the bank)
- Lions' Club** (leave your old eyeglasses at the bank)
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1931

November 13-A 100 gallon still, the ownership of which has not been established, was found last Monday on a farm about three miles west of Penalosa by John Shay, Sheriff.

This still is supposed to be used in the making of whisky although there was no whisky any place in evidence near the spot where the still was located.

It is not believed that very many people will step up and claim the still.

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1936

November 13-Charles Fee and Glenn Cooley accompanied a group of Boy Scouts to Sharon, Tuesday evening, where they attended a Scout Court of Honor.

The boys in the group were: John and Phillip Fee, Dean and Dale Cooley, Leroy Carter, Charles Crow, Billy Bradley and Elmer Steffen.

The comedy-drama "Clover Time" presented under the auspices of the P. T. A. of Maud rural school, at the High School auditorium, last Monday evening drew a large and appreciative audience. No admittance was charged, but a silver offering was taken to provide a fund toward furnishing hot lunches for the school children of the district during the months of December and January.

The cast included: Homer Kelly, Eleanor Shelman, Bruce Smith, Josephine Shafer, John Vermillion, Delores Hellar, Waldo Shelman, Alva Hellar, Pearl Ratlief, Roxa Smith, and Clell Fincher.

1941

November 14-The thumb was torn almost off the right hand of F. E. Adkison Tuesday morning in an oil well accident on the Frank McClellan lease three miles west and one-half mile north of Cunningham.

The accident happened when Adkison caught his right hand thumb as he was moving casing pipe. A Pratt Physician set the thumb and said he hoped Adkison would be able to regain its use. He is recovering nicely in the Pratt Community hospital.

1946

November 15-The Horse and Buggy days may not have returned completely but Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miles have instituted the nearest replica of those times with their mule drawn surrey (minus the fringe on top) in which they met guests at the bus Wednesday.

Their bright blue carriage with its red wheels and brightly polished red lantern on the side, drawn by a team of prancing black mules, created quite a sensation when they drew up alongside the bus, and the bus passengers as well as the town spectators got quite a thrill out of the sight. For a moment one imagined it could be a scene from a red-hot western movie.

The Farm Bureau met at the high school, Friday, November 8 with Mrs. Cecil Sheldon and Mrs. Rubie Cusenbary as hostesses.

The high school mixed quartette sang a group of numbers, and Miss Roberta Tade presented two piano selections.

Howard Elrod showed the group two movies after which the meeting was adjourned to the dining room where the hostesses served cookies, tea, and nuts.

Those present were Mesdames Joe Pelzl; Leo Zrubek; Raymond Zrubek; Glenn Gagnebin; A. J. Sterneker; Delmar Huffman; A. H. Clark; John McGovney; Roy Huffman; Roy Wetherall; Verne Stanley; Oliver DeWeese; and Miss Marie Hellar.

1951

November 16-The Ninnescah Study Club met Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Rufus Leiter. The President, Mrs. Roy McNamee, had charge of the meeting. Mrs. S. T. Kincheloe gave the lesson on "Interesting Facts and Events Concerning Kansas." The club welcomed Mrs. Harold Watkins as a new member. The hostess served refreshments of molded chicken salad, hot rolls, nuts, and coffee to the following members present, Mesdames Roy McNamee, S. T. Kincheloe, Roy Wetherall, Glen Pearson, Roy McGeorge Jr., Willis Welch, Glenn Patton, and Harold Watkins.

The Junior Class will present one-act plays next Monday evening, at 8:00 o'clock, in the big school auditorium.

In the first play, "Love In Bloom," the plot centers on an English teacher who finds that one of his students thinks she is in love with him; he cleverly convinces her that his is too old to be the object of her affection.

The second play, "Drop Dead," takes place in a boys boarding school. The star of the basketball team is finishing his required book report on the last possible day, when the report, necessary to his eligibility,

disappears. Finding the book report involves some hectic minutes.

The third play, "Importance Of Being Earnest," concerns two young Englishmen who invent tall tales to cover up some of their too-gay parties; the one uses a different name when he celebrates in London; the other pretends to have to go see a poor, sick friend in the country. These untruths prove complicating in the young men's love affairs.

1956

November 15-The Carl Jones Construction Company of Kingman, started work this week on the new industrial arts building at Cunningham Rural High School.

The building will be approximately 45 by 90 feet in size, and will face an east-west direction directly east of the present bus barn.

The building includes a 20 by 30 foot classroom; a finishing room; a storage room; teacher's office, and shower and locker room. The large work room will be provided with both electric and acetylene welding tools, and with both metal and wood working lathes. Electrical outlets will be installed to permit welding outside the building.

The building will be of cement block construction, with a roof just like that of the new gym-auditorium. Mr. Jones expects to complete the building in 75 working days.

Principal and Mrs. James Scheibe entertained the Board of Education of the Cunningham Grade School at dinner last Saturday evening. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wesbrooks, Mr. and Mrs. George Gridley, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Alley, and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Cooley.

Stewart Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, of Pratt, was the invited guest of Ivanhoe Chapter last Thursday evening, when the initiatory work was put on, conferring the degrees upon three candidates, Mrs. Sam Houston of Iuka, Mrs. L. A. Strickland, and Mrs. Robert Kimberlin. 39 members and guests were in attendance. Mrs. Marjorie Wetherall, Mrs. Arlene Bradley, and Mrs. Laverna Bradley were hostesses for the evening.

1961

November 16-The Homemakers HDU met at the home o Mrs. Bill Boyd, Wednesday afternoon, with Mrs. C. R. Benson assisting.

Twenty members answered roll call with "what I am thankful for," after which President Mrs. Anita Voss conducted a short business meeting. The unit will have Crafts Day in The Methodist Church undercroft, Friday, Dec. 1, from 9:30 to 3:30 o'clock with a covered dish dinner at noon.

The unit received a Gold Seal and a blue ribbon at the Kingman County HDU Achievement Day held in Kingman, Friday, Nov. 10.

The lesson on home furnishings was presented by Mrs. Paul Abele and Mrs. Verne Stanley.

The next meeting will be the unit's annual Christmas Party. It will be held at the home of Mrs. Ralph Raney, Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 13.

The hostesses served refreshments of chocolate cake, nuts and mints, and coffee at the close of the meeting.

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1966

November 17-The Zenda-Nashville Lions Club helped sponsor Joan Thieme, a senior at Nashville-Zenda High School, to the American Royal Conference in Kansas City, Mo., last month. Joan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thieme of Zenda, and one of three Kingman County girls attending the conference through the sponsorship of a Lions Club.

Joan enjoyed a tour of Kansas City, and the American Royal Horse Show, something Joan said, "I have never seen before and probably never will again."

During the trip she saw, among other well-known people, Arthur Godfrey and Pat Boone.

When asked to sum up her trip in one sentence, Joan said, "It was great."

Mrs. Iona Shafer was hostess to the Better Homes and Gardens Club in her home last Thursday

afternoon.

President Mrs. Vera Watkins opened the meeting with a poem, after which 12 members answered roll call with a household hint and a Christmas gift suggestion. Mrs. Watkins had charge of the lesson, and presented Mrs. Albert McGovney, who issued materials and gave instructions for making novel Bibles, using a bar of soap, doilies, plastic wrap, flowers, etc. Mrs. Alva Hellar had charge of club betterment, and conducted a quiz, "What Kind of Woman Are You?"

The hostess served cake and coffee to Mrs. Kent Wymore, and Mrs. O. R. Benningfield of Kingman, Mrs. D. E. Thompson, Mrs. Bedford Taylor, Mrs. Charles Ratcliff, Mrs. Roy Wetherall, Mrs. Watkins, Mrs. Rufus Leiter, Mrs. Loren Cooley, Mrs. Alva Hellar, and Mrs. Lee DeWeese.

Milton Brooks, Superintendent of Unified School District No. 332, and Harry Johnston, Principal of Cunningham Grade and High School, were among the over 50 persons attending an area guidance conference at Northwestern State College in Alva, Okla., November 9.

The group included guidance personnel and administrators from 22 different cities, college staff members, and representatives of the State Department of Education. The college and the guidance division of the State Department of Education co-sponsored the conference for the seventh consecutive year.

1971

November 11- Girl Scout Troop No. 55 met at "The Wildcat Den," November 2. We held elections for troop officers. Beth Case was elected troop treasurer, and Sandy Schrant was elected troop scribe. We also held elections for troop patrol leaders. Debra Willoughby was elected leader of Patrol One, and her assistant is Paula Fitzsimmons. Kelly Welch was elected leader of Patrol Two, and her assistant is Yvonne Thimesch.- Sandy Schrant, Scribe.

The Cunningham 4-H Club met in the high school study hall, Monday evening, Nov. 1.

President Mike Oller called the meeting to order with the flag salute and 4-H pledge. Eight members and three guests answered roll call with "What I Am Thankful For," after which the minutes were read and approved, and Suzanne Steffen gave the financial report.

Leader Joe Pelzl announced that the annual Achievement Banquet would be held in Kingman, Friday evening, Nov. 5. This banquet is given by the Kingman business men in recognition of the 4-H work during the past year.

James and Debbie Willoughby gave their pledge to join 4-H, and the members voted to enter a float in the parade on Cunningham's Santa Claus Day.

Kelly Welch gave an interesting project talk on "Why I Decided On Sewing For My Project;" Melva Oller gave a demonstration of two styles of music boxes; Marlene Oller had parliamentary procedure, and Suzanne Steffen had everyone help make booklets for the rest home for Thanksgiving.

Following announcements for next month by President Mike Oller, the meeting was adjourned. Delicious carmeled apples were served by the Edwin Steffen family.—Melva Oller, Reporter

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Jack Ruckle,
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Scott Wyatt,
Trent Schnittker

Back row:
Luke McGuire,
Carlos Hurtado,
Isaiah Reed,
Lane Halderson

Volleyball



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Middle row: Grace Hageman, Joanna Hansen, Matti Jump,
Julia Hageman, Brianna Dittmer
Back row: Coach Ariel Haskin, Hannah Ellis, Maranda Lohrke,
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Pratt County Commission Minutes for October 25th, 2021

The Pratt County commissioners met in regular session, Monday, November 1, 2021 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. Also, present, Micheal Blackford, Pratt Tribune.

Tyson Eisenhauer, county counselor, please state your name and title when speaking, public comment will be allowed to the extent that it is on topic. Persons participating via Zoom are currently muted. If you have a comment, please let Mark know via the chat function. Mark will then inform Chairman Shriver, who can take up the comment in a manner that does not disrupt the agenda. In the event an executive session is needed, it will be muted when recessed and turned

back on when they return from executive session.

Doug Freund, road supervisor, presented a road crossing from Bereco, LLC for a salt water line crossing at S1/2 SW4 of 7-26S-15W, one mile west of Hopewell on Road T to County Road 310. He reported another grader needs major repairs. The parts needed for repair is on back-order and could be for an extended amount of time. If he waits on the parts for repair it would cost \$10,000-\$12,000 or he can have the long block replaced at a cost of \$30,000. He would like to wait to see if the parts can be found, but if parts aren't received, he will be short a grader going into winter. The commissioners agreed to go ahead and purchase the long block to get the grader repaired. He would like to get quotes for a trailer at the lake. There is a small trailer out there, but the mower does not fit, needs a ramp gate so the mower can be hauled. The commissioners gave their approval to get quotes on a trailer for the lake.

Roberta Mayes, would like to put up a sign on Pier 2 in memory of her husband Lewis who loved to fish and

camp at the Pratt County Lake. She would attach it to the existing metal pole. Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the memorial signage for Lewis Mayes on Pier 2. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Darrell Lavender/CEO and Alan Waites/CFO, gave an update on PRMC. DMV accredited, high scores for patient care, urgent care is closed occasionally due to staffing shortage. Alan gave the financial update ending 9-30-21. They reported PRMC has been busy. They are experiencing a shortage of nurses. The hospital board approved renovations to the HVAC system, installing a new chiller on the roof. A delivery truck driver hit the awning on the east side of the building. They are waiting on the insurance claim to be finalized.

Tim Branscom, emergency manager/zoning director, would like to appoint Max Barrett as the Pratt County representative for homeland security. Chairman Shriver thinks it needs to stay with the emergency manager department. Tim stated he has shown interest in the KEMA position. Chairman Shriver

asked about the status of the weather tower. He hasn't contacted Barber County yet.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the minutes from October 25, 2021. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Shriver would like to address the change order #3 that was presented by Kelly Landmark Architect at the group PSB meeting on Wednesday. He discussed hiring an outside attorney to make sure the contracts are being followed. Commissioner Jones made a motion to table the change order #3 for \$27,872 until next week. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Arrowhead West has asked for a letter of support from the commissioners for a grant through the Kansas department of transportation. Commissioner Adams made a motion to approve writing a letter of support for Arrowhead West. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Heather Morgan, economic development/COVID consultant reported she had sent emails to the small cities

this morning. The government has approved adjustment funding for the ARPA funds. She went over this with them. It was a small amount so it changed the reporting second thing, a bill was introduced into the house, with guidelines on how the ARPA funds can be used. She will write a letter of support for more flexibility in spending the funding. It will be sent to our delegation stating we agree having more flexibility in spending.

Commissioner Adams made a motion to recess into executive session at 3:02 p.m. for fifteen minutes to discuss an attorney/client matter. We will return at 3:17 p.m.. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Shriver made a motion to come out of executive session at 3:17 p.m. with nothing to report.

Tyson reported the property for sale will be published November 3, 2021, November 10, 2021 and November 17, 2021. Bids will be opened in the meeting, November 22, 2021.

He stated the KDOT agreement needs to be signed and sent to the state. Chairman Shriver

will reach out to KDOT about the road project.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve payment vouchers for November 1, 2021. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Shriver made a motion to pay Landmark Architect for services in the amount Of \$1349.45 for invoice #17. Commissioner Adams seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Adams gave a report on the swimming pool project, it will include the tennis courts. New restrooms will be shared with the tennis courts. It will be a couple of years before it will proceed.

Darcie Vander Vyver, health director, emailed in asking if the commissioners had any questions for her. There were none.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to adjourn at 3:42 p.m. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

Wheat Scoop: Congratulations to Kansas Winners in 2021 National Wheat Yield Contest

Withstanding weather challenges, disease pressure and more, Kansas farmers once again proved how informed management can maximize yield potential year-in and year-out during the 2021 National Wheat Yield Contest. National and state winners were recently released by the National Wheat Foundation, which organizes the competition.

"The National Wheat Yield Contest encourages growers to maximize the management of their wheat crop to improve wheat yields and quality," said Justin Gilpin, Kansas Wheat CEO. "Kansas wheat producers continually demonstrate they are up to the challenge by adopting new practices that utilize the full potential of top-of-the-line wheat genetics."

This year's contest included 63 wheat growers from 20 different states, offering producers a chance to compete against their counterparts from across the country and learn how to better improve their production.

"This year has presented many diverse challenges to farmers," stated National Wheat Foundation Board Chairman, David Cleavinger, in a release announcing the state winners. "Drought has plagued most spring wheat growers and many winter wheat farmers faced the exact opposite fighting a wet harvest in multiple areas. These challenges have not only shown the persistence of

growers in this industry, but also have highlighted the diversity of wheat which is shown in the range of yields of each region."

The contest was split into winter wheat and spring wheat and then further divided into dryland and irrigated production.

In the dryland winter wheat category, Tyler Ediger from Meade took the top Kansas slot with a final yield of 125.66 bushels per acre. The entry also earned Ediger the fifth-place "bin buster" award in the national winter wheat-dryland category.

Darwin Ediger, Tyler's father, was the second-place Kansas winner with a final yield of 123.48 bushels per acre.

"I don't know what else I could have done to make it a more perfect growing season," Tyler said. "It all came together."

Third place went to Matt Jaeger from Minneola with a final yield of 122.47 bushels per acre. The entry also won Jaeger fifth place nationally, based on the percent increase over the county average. Winners

in this portion of the contest were determined by yield increases exceeding the most recent five-year Olympic county average as determined by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

"It does show a lot of hard work that's been put in," Jaeger said. "But at the end of the day, if God doesn't send the rain, we're not very good farmers. We're looking forward to trying some new things and hopefully having a good season. The crop is off to a good start this year, and hopefully, we'll have some winners next year."

The variety for all three top Kansas winter wheat entries was WestBred WB4792.

In the dryland spring wheat category, Michael Anshutz from Russell took first place with a final yield of 50.41 bushels per acre. The planted variety was WestBred WB9719.

"Yields and quality were excellent in this year's entries and contestants tell us they are continuing to learn how to increase yields and quality on their farms," Cleavinger stated in the national release.

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2021 National Yield Contest were AgriMaxx, Ardent Mills, BASF, Croplan/Winfield, Elevate Ag, Grain Craft, GrainSense, John Deere, Miller Milling, Michigan Wheat, Nutrien, Ohio Corn and Wheat, and WestBred.

For more details on the winning entries and to review the official rules and entry details for the 2022 contest, visit yieldcontest.wheatfoundation.org.

Written by Julia Debes for Kansas Wheat



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IN THE THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

DISTRICT COURT, KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

CIVIL DEPARTMENT

BLB OIL LLC., a Florida limited liability company;

BRENDA B. REDFERN, as trustee of THE BRENDA B. REDFERN LIVING TRUST dated September 14, 2006;

KIM L. CURRY, as trustee of THE KIM L. CURRY REVOCABLE TRUST dated August 1, 2018

Plaintiffs,

v.

BAYSHORE ENERGY KS LLC;

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JEANNIE GARARD;

JEFFREY S. PRUITT;

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Case No. 2021-CV-000020

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"Tjaden E Lease": Oil and Gas Lease dated December 22, 1953, between Joe Tjaden, et al., as lessors, and Pickrell Drilling Co., as lessee, recorded in Book 67, at page 131, covering the Southwest Quarter of Section 28, Township 30 South, Range 8 West, Kingman County, Kansas;

You are hereby required to plead to the Petition on or before December 15, 2021, in the court at the Kingman County Courthouse, 130 N Spruce Street, Kingman, Kansas 67068. If you fail to plead, judgment will be entered upon the Petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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JH BB Lady Wildcats Sweep Macksville

On Monday November 8, 2021, the Cunningham JH basketball teams traveled to Macksville to open the 2021-22 season. The Lady Cats played the host Lady Colts in a B-team game and an A-team game and came away with a victory in each contest. The B-team game featured a game mini-runs as Cunningham would score the games' first four points only to see Macksville answer with four of the own to tie the game at four after the first quarter. The Lady Cats would then score the next eight points over the next two quarters to take a 12-4 lead into the fourth quarter when the Lady Colts would finish the game with four straight to make the final score 12-8. Scoring for the Lady Wildcats in the B-team game was led by Macy Neufeld with eight, followed by Brynn Wyatt and Whitney Mead with two each. In the A-team game the Lady

Cats would find themselves trailing 6-5 after the first quarter, but were able to double their first quarter total by scoring ten points in the second quarter while holding the host team to just two points and led at the half 15-8. In the third quarter both teams tallied six points to make the score 21-14 heading into the final quarter where Cunningham would score just four points but held Macksville to only three to make the final 25-17. Scoring for the Lady Cats in the A-team was led by Rylee Miller with 11, followed by Kryra Morgan with 8 then Grace Hageman, Emily Ogg and Whitney Mead each with two points. The Lady Cats will be back in action on Monday, November 15th at Argonia. Games start at 4:30 with the B-team girls playing a full game, followed by a ½ game for the B-team boys, the A-team girls will tip off at approximately 6:00 followed by the A-team boys.

by Coach Bart Ricke



Emily Ogg



Riley Miller, Kyra Morgan, Grace Hageman



Coach Bart Ricke strategizes with his team.

Wichita Collegiate Tennis Program Celebrating 50 Years of Title IX

In the 1990s, girls had not been treasured as athletes. I was working with kids who just needed, first of all, to be treated differently, but to also be treated the same." - Coach Hawley



50 for 50: Wichita Collegiate Tennis Program: Celebrating 50 years of Title IX

Any player who tries out for Wichita Collegiate's girls tennis program makes the team. It doesn't matter how many players there are, coach Dave Hawley finds tournaments for them to play during the course of the season.

For while Hawley is supremely successful - 46 team state titles for girls and boys - every single player is his focus.

Competed in a junior varsity dual? Beat the best players in Kansas? Hawley spotlights it all equally with the team.

"We make sure we celebrate everyone's matches," Hawley said. "We'll talk about those kids and how they did. They know they'll get some recognition from their peers."

It would be easy to focus solely on those top-level tennis players. After all, his teams have won 27 girls doubles titles, 20 girls singles titles, 19 boys doubles titles and 12 boys singles titles

But as much as the rest of the state puts the focus on Hawley's state championships at Collegiate - 31 girls team titles and 25 boys team titles - his emphasis is all on his players.

"I guess it depends on how you define success," said Clare Vanderpool, who played for Hawley in the early 1980s. "If you talk about wins, that's one level of success."

"I can speak more to his success as a coach

and mentor in forming young people. He's always fun, always upbeat. But he really zeroes in on each kid. This was my experience, which was when Collegiate wasn't performing off the charts at any level."

Hawley was four or five years into teaching at Collegiate when he took over the girls tennis team. The Spartans had two talented freshmen, but only 10 or 12 players.

"There was a decent heritage before, but nothing like, 'I can hardly wait for tennis season. I'm going to work all summer long,'" Hawley said.

Collegiate did OK that year, then his two standouts transferred. His second year, the Spartans finished last in seven of eight tournaments.

In his third season, though, there were three outstanding freshmen, including Laurie (Cusick) Newton, who finished 104-1. She helped get other students interested in the sport, and then more and more started playing summer tennis.

Newton won state as a junior and senior in 1984 and '85, the first two years Collegiate was part of the Kansas State High School Activities Association.

"His methods are simple," Newton said. "It was all about connections with us and making us feel like the best we can be. He made you feel that you could do it, always.... No matter what, he had your back, and I still feel that."

Vanderpool added: "When kids feel valued and loved and enjoyed, and then you couple that with high expectations and a role model, that's a recipe for success."

"I wasn't a great tennis

player ... but you didn't have to be a star player to have the same level of attention, affection, care. He is very generous with everyone."

When Collegiate won its first team title in 1987 and then won 12 more in a row, it shocked Hawley. Collegiate GTN Champ

"I wasn't a scoreboard watcher," he said. "I was busy watching my kids. It was a great state championship, but we never saw it coming. The next year we had everyone back, and we won it a little easier."

Hawley, who is in five halls of fame, also patterned his program after two of the best women's college basketball programs -- Tennessee and Connecticut.

Collegiate plays the best teams, goes to the best tournaments, all with the goal of getting better.

The expectations are high, but they never talk about winning state titles.

The increase in athletes playing summer tennis made a huge difference as they played tougher competition, played more and gained valuable experience. The start of the middle school program also led to more athletes entering the high school with previous knowledge.

"Two things that led to us having this staying power: One was that I did coach some middle school, and the second was that I talked it up in the hall," Hawley said. "I got to know the kids in the lower school, got them into our summer program."

"But the biggest thing ever is that we don't cut."

It's a fair guess that current athletes aren't hyper knowledgeable about Title IX or even the ear-

Cunningham High School Gladly Presents:

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By Brian D. Taylor

Who: Cunningham High School
When: November 12 at 7 o'clock
Where: High School Gym
Ticket Price at the Door: \$2

ly years of Collegiate's program.

There's no doubt, though, that Hawley played a critical role in increasing the focus on girls sports.

"In the 1990s, girls had not been treasured as athletes," Hawley said. "I was working with kids who just needed, first of all, to be treated differently, but to also be treated the same."

Bunny Hill has watched Hawley's entire career. She started at Collegiate in 1972, a few years before Hawley, and went from teaching into administration, where she retired in 2014 after 42 years in education.

According to Hill, Hawley came around at an excellent time for girls sports.

"As an administrator through the years, it's hard to find just the right combination of coaching for girls to get from them what is the best about sports," Hill said. "He always understood how to motivate girls, how to enjoy the journey with the girls, how to make the most of their hearts, the emotional part of the game for them."

"Whether it was the girls team or boys team, whatever he coaches or teaches, what he brings is he has high expectations and high nurture. When

you put those two things together, you have something that is very special. "That is Dave Hawley. That has always been. It will always be."

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Minutes from Kingman County Commission

board meeting room at 9:20 a.m. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session at 9:20 a.m. with Stan Goetz, HR and Linda Langley, Internal Auditor to discuss individual employee's evaluation pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of nonelected personnel matters of nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed, and they will return to open session in the board meeting room at

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Commissioners returned to regular session at 9:45 a.m. with no binding action taken.

Mr. Goetz submitted information from the planning/zoning commission meeting.

Mr. Goetz discussed that Hinkle Law Firm will be submitting a document on our wellness plan for the board to sign electronically.

Mr. Goetz submitted the following building permits:

Jacob & Shanda Knapp for a storage shed in Section 25, Township 27, Range 7W.

Doug Veith for a shed in Section 11, Township 27, Range 5W.

Rochelle Beach for a manufactured home in Section 7, Township 27, Range 10W.

Kevin Schrag for a storage shed in Section 6, Township 27, Range 05W.

Shawn Vredenberg

for a house in Section 12, Township 27, Range 08W.

Mike King, Hutton Construction and Jeff Hohnbaun, Hutton Construction Director of facility services were in to discuss their company and what services they provide.

Commissioners asked Mr. King if they would be able to them a pricing on doing proposals on the steps and the storage building.

Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director was in with Project updates on the M.0-7.5 Abutment repair and the FAS #13 New Bridge.

Mr. Arensdorf let the Commissioners know that a letting date is set for December 13, 2021 for FF.4-24.0 with an electronic letting the week of December 6th.

Mr. Arensdorf submitted a letter to sign to KDHE for the

Buffer Zone Distance Adjustments for the future sight development of the C/D Landfill.

Sheriff Randy Hill was in to discuss the 800 radio system with the County Commissioners.

Chairman Henning would like to use the equipment offered by the State of Kansas.

Commissioner Thimesch would also like to use the equipment offered by the State of Kansas since they are offering it to be used.

Commissioner Foley discussed that he talked with Labette County and the cost that Sheriff Hill had discussed was close to what they spent.

Sheriff Hill wants the Commissioners to have all the information they need to make a decision.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to go with the State of Kansas equipment being used to help with

the 800 radio system needs. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioner Thimesch said that he will contact the State of Kansas and have them get in touch with Sheriff Hill.

The County Clerk discussed poll booths from two different companies with the County Commissioners.

The Commissioners talked about the booths with Ms. Noblit and came to a decision that the current dividers are working well.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 11:33 a.m.

Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Tony Fischer Killed in Vehicle Crash

On Tuesday, November 2, Tony Fischer, 61, was traveling northbound on SW 170 Ave (Valley Street) when his 1995 Ford F15 went off the road to the left and ran into a bridge support column supporting the overpass at the interchange area by Love's Travel Center.

The police report said the fatality happened at 6:39 p.m. The blacktop road surface was wet as there was rain/drizzle at the time of the accident.



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Energy Inequity

Like many Americans, I have already turned on the heat on my home thermostat. But in a wide range of Chinese apartments and schools, there will be no heat until November 15 each year. And that heat will turn off on March 15 in the spring. In many visits to China universities in the fall, I would live in faculty housing. And along with colleagues and students in dormitories and classrooms, and administrators in offices, we would be wearing jackets and coats all day and sleep under heavy blankets every night for two more weeks.

In 1975 in Hong Kong, I experienced my first "instant-on" or "tankless" hot water heater that only used energy to heat water when you needed it. American hot water heaters used energy day-and-night to keep water hot when we weren't using it. It would be nearly three decades before that technology started to be adopted over here. And fifty years ago, you could look out and see rooftop water units across Chinese cities, also using sunlight. They remain common today but are unknown here.

Despite modernization that included clothes

washers, clothes driers are an energy-gobbling luxury that China cannot afford energy-wise. On any sunny day in China, you will see clothes hanging out to dry on bamboo poles in even the most modern housing complexes. If everyone bought clothes driers, they would need to build far more powerplants. They are still building powerplants for the basic needs of their rapidly growing middle class.

On hot summer afternoons, air conditioning stresses their electric grid—a government company. They would announce an increase in electric fees for industries only. Extra care taken by China's industries to maintain profits resulted in less power usage and prevented brown-outs many summers.

China originally planned to complete 25 more nuclear power plants by 2020, but by 2017 it became evident that building more wind and solar power generation would be faster and cheaper. So while China does produce more electricity by clean nuclear power than the U.S., it still has to increase power production further to serve the remaining population it is bringing out of extreme poverty.

And China's economic growth has been phenomenal. China raised 680 million of its people above the extreme poverty line between 1981 and 2010. Six years ago, China set a goal of eliminating extreme poverty by the end of 2020. Extreme poverty is about \$1.69 a day at current rates. By November of 2020—one year ago—all 98.99 million extremely poor, nearly all in the rural population were raised out of poverty by small social-security-like payments for the elderly and business set-ups for the younger—from mushroom farming to new local industries. Many elderly left mountainous rural shacks with no electricity or running water and moved into new simple high rise apartments in nearby towns—referred to as "townification." That basic rise in living standards likewise required more energy.

In comparison, the most recent research by researchers Brady and Parolin estimates between 2.6 to 3.7 million Americans are extremely poor. That number for China is now zero.

China is now producing and buying more electric cars than the rest of the world put together.

Kingman County Sheriff's Report

Sunday, October 31st

Traffic stops 2
Traffic complaint 7000 block W Hwy 42, Zenda
Animal 10000 block SE 70 Ave. Rago
Suspicious vehicle 100 N Main St. Spivey

Monday, November 1st

Traffic complaint NE 40 Ave & E Hwy 54 area Kingman
Alarm 300 block N Vail St. Spivey
Animal NW 50 Ave & W Hwy 54 area, Kingman
Damage 1100 block E Hwy 54 Kingman
Non-injury accident E Hwy 42 & SE 100 Ave area Rago
Vehicle: abandoned 1300 block E Hwy 54 Kingman

Tuesday, November 2nd

Traffic stops 2
Animal SW 80 Ave & W Hwy 42 area, Kingman
Fire 1400 block E Eighth Ave. Kingman
Fire 16000 block W Hw 54 Cunningham
Motorist assist 1600 block E Kansas Ave, Kingman

Wednesday, November 3rd

Traffic stop 2
Traffic complaint 7000 block W Hwy 54 Kingman
Traffic control 8000 block W Hwy 54 Cunningham
Vehicle - disabled 4500 block N Hwy 14 Pretty Prairie

Thursday, November 4th

Traffic complaint SW 70 St. & SW 60 Ave. area, Spivey
Outside Agency assist Kingman county
Welfare check 16000 block NE 20 St. Cheney

Friday, November 5th

Traffic stops 5
Traffic check tag 1200 block E Hwy 54 Kingman
Alarm 200 block N Parkway St. Norwich
Suspicious Vehicle SE 20 St & SE 100 Ave area, Murdock

Saturday, November 6th

Traffic stop 5
Illegal hunting SE 60 St & SE 140 area Norwich
Suspicious vehicle SE 150 St. & SE 160 Ave area Norwich
Suspicious vehicle SE 30 St & SE 70 Ave area, Murdock
Suspicious vehicle 300 block N Main St. Kingman
Vehicle disabled 1100 block E Hwy 54 Kingman
Welfare check 300 block N Vail St. Spivey

In these and many more daily activities, China's citizens are far more careful to conserve energy and not waste than are Westerners.

Our Western press is mostly clueless when they report total energy usage by country. What really counts is the energy usage per person—a factor required for a minimal quality of life. And for every 10 Americans, there are 44 Chinese living on roughly the same geographic acreage.

According to the Rhodium Group, the

amount of greenhouse gas emissions (tons per person) are highest for Saudi Arabia (21.5), Australia (20.6), Canada (19.9) and the United States (17.5). China is at 10.1. If China left their elderly poor living in extreme poverty, hand-pumping water and lacking electricity, their energy usage would be lower. But they didn't. Overpopulation is the major factor underlying the world's greenhouse gas problem. India, with average emissions of only 2.5 tons per person and nearly 1.4 billion

people, has a long way to go to raise much of their population out of poverty. And that cannot occur without significant increases in energy use per person.

The Western press finds it easy to blame China for consuming more energy than the United States. But on a per-person basis, Chinese are far more frugal, while Americans generally squander energy.

by John Richard Schrock



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IN THE THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

SAMUEL I. ROHRER, Deceased. Case No. 2021 PR 35 (Petition Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on November 3, 2021, a Petition was filed in this Court by Leon Brand, the Executor named in the "Last Will and Testament of Samuel I. Rohrer," deceased, dated December 14, 2000, praying the will filed with the Petition be admitted to probate and record; Petitioner be appointed as Executor, without bond; and Petitioner be granted Letters Testamentary.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before December 3, 2021, at 9:30 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.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within four months from the date of first publication of notice under K.S.A. 59-2236. If demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

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

Public Notice

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IN THE THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

ROBERT S. WUNSCH, Deceased. CASE NO. 2021 PR 31 (Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on October 22, 2021, a Petition for Issuance of Letters of Administration was filed in this Court by Melissa Tetrick, an heir.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before November 16, 2021, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. in the District Court, Kingman County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

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

Melissa Tetrick, Petitioner
Brandon T. Ritcha
Ricke & Ritcha Law Office
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Kingman, KS 67068
Attorney for Petitioner

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Lee Taber

Pratt - Lee Taber, 91, went home to our Lord on November 3, 2021 at Kansas Heart Hospital in Wichita. The oldest of nine children, she was born February 17, 1930 in Duncan, Oklahoma to Roy Lee and Ruby Leona (Cagle) McKenzie. On February 23, 1950 she married Gale H. Taber in Kingman, Kansas. He preceded her in death on January 31, 2005.



Lee was a bookkeeper for many years at lumber yards managed by Gale in Kansas and Oklahoma. She retired and devoted 49 years to making her grandson Sean's life the very best it could be. She saw him as her angel and blessing. She was an accomplished artist and she and Gale created many wonderful crafts together. She loved gardening and each year her flowers gave her joy.

She is survived by her son, Michael and wife Diane Taber of Eureka; daughter, Marsha Taber of Pratt; grandson, Sean Taber of Pratt; granddaughter, Andrea (Phil) Hogue and great-granddaughter, Makenzi of Dodge City; brothers, Jim (Vera) McKenzie of St. Johns, Michigan and Gary McKenzie of Yukon, Oklahoma; and sisters, Jayne Morrell of Napa, California, Ann Chittick of Houston, Texas and Barbara McKenzie of Oregon.

Lee is preceded in death by her husband, Gale; parents; infant brother, Ronald McKenzie; brother, Douglas McKenzie; and sister, Sharon McKenzie.

Graveside service was held Saturday, November 6, 2021 at Greenlawn Cemetery, Pratt with Tom Harrison presiding.

Memorials may be made to The Hope Center or Pratt Area Humane Society in care of Larrison Mortuary.

Sadie Travis

Pratt - Sadie Dawn Nicole Travis, 6 weeks, passed away Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at Pratt Regional Medical Center. She was born on September 20, 2021 in Pratt to Tristin McDonald.



Sadie enjoyed smiling and had just started to discover her voice. She loved to cuddle and wiggle around.

She is survived by her mother, Tristin McDonald; grandmother, Leslie McDonald; grandfather, Jeff McDonald; great grandmother, Susan Sanders all of Pratt; great grandfather, Ron (Cyndi) Travis of Liberal; great-great grandmothers, Dorothy Ballinger of Pratt and Mary Travis of Arlington; and aunt, Trinity McDonald of Pratt.

Sadie is preceded in death by her great grandfathers, Billy McDonald and Richard Sanders; great grandmother, Nancy McDonald; great-great grandfather, Paul Travis; and aunt, Sarah Flora.

Cremation has taken place.

Memorials may be made to Children's Mercy in care of Larrison Mortuary, 300 Country Club Road, Pratt.

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Flu Season May Further Impact Red Cross Blood Supply Emergency Blood Shortage Continues

Kansas & Oklahoma (Nov. 8, 2021) – As the holidays approach and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention warns about a potential spike in flu cases this year, it's important that those who are eligible, healthy and feeling well make an appointment to donate blood or platelets. The American Red Cross continues to address an ongoing emergency blood shortage, and donors are urged to give now to combat the lowest blood supply levels at this time of year in more than a decade.

According to the CDC, flu cases reached an all-time low last year due to masking, physical distancing and shutdowns across the country, and many Americans may have reduced immunity this year. When seasonal illness increases, the number of healthy blood donors tends to decrease.

Paired with winter weather, busy holiday schedules and ongoing COVID-19 concerns, the already-struggling blood supply could be further impacted throughout winter.

There is no blood donation waiting period for those who have received a flu shot or a Moderna, Pfizer or Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine or booster, so long as they are symptom-free. Donors are urged to schedule an appointment now by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org or calling 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

To encourage donors to help meet the needs of hospital patients this month, all who come to donate Nov. 1-23 will receive a \$10 Amazon.com Gift Card by email, thanks to Amazon.* Those who come to give around the Thanksgiving holiday, Nov. 24-28, will receive a pair of Red Cross socks, while supplies last.

Blood drive safety

Each Red Cross blood drive and donation center follows the highest standards of safety and infection control, and ad-

ditional precautions – including face masks for donors and staff, regardless of vaccination status – have been implemented to help protect the health of all those in attendance. Donors are asked to schedule an appointment prior to arriving at the drive.

Save time during donation

Donors can also save up to 15 minutes at the blood drive by completing a RapidPass®. With RapidPass®, donors complete the pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of donation, from a mobile device or computer. To complete a RapidPass®, follow the instructions at RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass or use the Red Cross Blood Donor App.

To donate blood, individuals need to bring a blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification that are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High

school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also must meet certain height and weight requirements.

Health insights for donors

At a time when health information has never been more important, the Red Cross is screening all blood, platelet and plasma donations from self-identified African American donors for the sickle cell trait. This additional screening will provide Black donors with an additional health insight and help the Red Cross identify compatible blood types more quickly to help patients with sickle cell disease who require trait-negative blood. Blood transfusion is an essential treatment for those with sickle cell disease, and blood donations from individuals of the same race, ethnicity and blood type have a unique ability to help patients fighting sickle cell disease. Donors can expect to receive sickle cell trait screening results, if applicable, within one to two weeks through the Red Cross Blood Donor App and the online donor portal at RedCrossBlood.org.



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