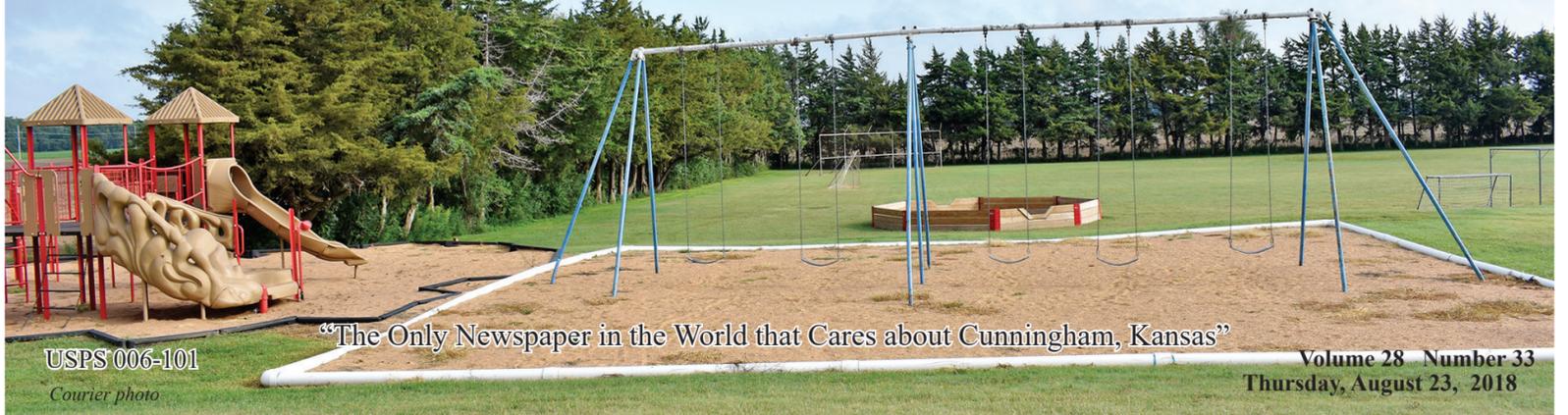


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## Booster Club to Host Kick-Off Event

The Cunningham Booster Club Kick-Off Event is scheduled for Friday, August 24th. Hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, and watermelon will be served in the cafeteria from 5:30-7:00 p.m. Booster Club members will eat free with their paid membership of \$20 for individuals and \$35 for couples. Kids also eat free, and USD 332 employees eat free. All others will be charged \$5 per plate. You can pay your membership the evening of the 24th, or you can mail it to the school: Booster Club P.O. Box 67 Cunningham, KS 67035

Booster Club members will receive a Wildcat car decal with their paid membership, and have a chance to win an Alexa device, Cunningham t-shirt quilt, VIP parking spot in front of the gym for school activities, a bluetooth speaker, or gift cards.

New Cunningham spirit wear designs will be available for viewing and ordering. There will also be an online ordering system this year (more information to come).

Other activities during the evening

include:

6:00 JH/HS Powder Puff Volleyball  
7:00 Meet and Greet Teachers, Coaches, and Staff

7:30 Lady Wildcats Volleyball Scrimmage

Support your Cunningham students by joining the Booster Club this year. Membership fees are used to provide "those special touches" for students and teachers, grade school through high school. Some projects from previous school years include an ice cream social to kick off the year at Open House Night, pizza party for the cast and crew of school plays, t-shirts for Scholars Bowl and Prom attendees, treat sacks for sports teams, t-shirts for band members and grade school field trips, and ice cream for students after State Music Contest. A large job the Booster Club manages is organizing and running the hospitality room for the 54 Classic Basketball Tournament. Booster Club also designs and offers new spirit wear yearly. For more information, contact Judy DeWeese at (620) 491-0997.

## Share Your Spirit (Wear)

Cunningham Booster Club is trying something new during the Kick-Off Event Friday, August 24th. Bring your gently used and/or outgrown Wildcat spirit wear. There will be a table to leave it on in the cafeteria. Anyone

may "shop" at the table to find something their family might use. That t-shirt at the bottom of your drawer that you don't wear much anymore? Bring it! Someone else may love it! Recycling at its best!

## Graffiti Vandals Score in School Bathrooms

Story by me

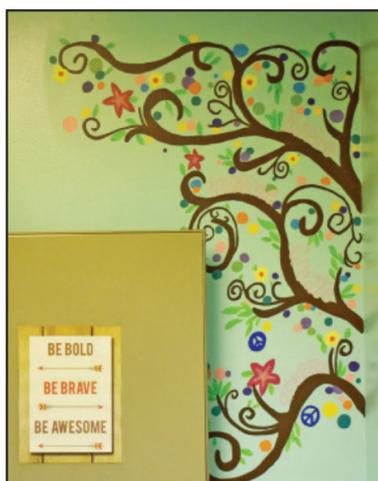
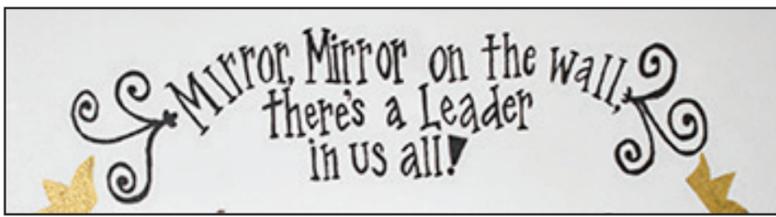
A concerned citizen (Jeanette Kerschen) stopped me on the street last week to tell me about the school's bathrooms. "You have to go up and see them," and she thought I'd better take a camera.

I also remembered seeing some major dirt-moving equipment up that way the night before, and I needed to check out that story. If there was one.

Because it was such a beautiful day, I got the camera and walked the two blocks to the school. District Secretary Stacy Webster was happy to see the media coverage this incident was going to get. She said I could indeed go and check out the bathrooms.

Someone had painted graffiti on the walls and stalls of the bathrooms in the grade school and the high school. The new bathrooms by the offices were left untouched. I have photographed most of the damage, and have tucked the photos into the nooks and crannies of this newspaper.

Yes, the vandals have been identified and apprehended, and confessed their guilt. The booking information is on the Classified page.



Courier photos

## City Council Met Sunday Evening

submitted by Dave Steffen

The Cunningham City Council met at 6:30 p.m., Sunday, August 19, at City Hall.

The governing body discussed the condition of the sewer main that parallels First Street between Morris and Wisconsin streets. Portions of the main appear to be blocked, with tree roots being the probable cause. Utility Maintenance Contractors, Wichita, has been contacted to clear and inspect the line.

The governing body met in five executive sessions for a total of 65 minutes to discuss matters pertaining to non-elected personnel, including review of applications for the city superintendent position and interviews of applicants. Following each executive session, Mayor Murphy stated that no action had been taken during the executive session.

Following approval of a motion to adjourn, the mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

## Monday, August 27 City Council Meeting Agenda

Opening – 6.30 p.m.

- 1) Approval of Agenda
- 2) Approval of Minutes of July 30, 2018 meeting
- 3) Approval of Minutes of August 6, 2018 meeting
- 4) Approval of Minutes of August 19, 2018 meeting
- 5) Public comments, concerns, & communications
- 6) 2017 Audit & Financial Statement – ATC Accounting
- 7) City Superintendent position
  - Review applications (executive session)
  - Possible action
- 8) City employee handbook
  - Revisions
  - Employee health insurance
  - Reports
- 9) Fire Department
- 10) Swimming Pool
- 11) Properties
- 12) Maintenance
- 13) Planning & Zoning
- 14) Animal Control
- 15) Financial Report & payment of bills
- 16) Adjourn

Reminders:

- ✓ City Planning Commission & BZA meeting, 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, Thursday, September 13
- ✓ City Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Monday, September 24, 2018, at City Hall

## Kingman County Courthouse Receives Grant of \$90,000

by Roberta

We live in a throw-away society. The purchases we make today aren't meant to last a lifetime. Once they are used up, or need repair or no longer of value, they are thrown into a landfill or recycled. It is all rather sad.

It has not always been this way. Our society once valued possessions and land so much we thought far into the future. We wished them for our children and grandchildren and generations after.

In 1907 the Kingman County Commissioners Bob Furrow, John Dumars and A.L. Showalter believed in this county's legacy enough to visit county courthouses in the state, hire the architectural firm of Washburn & Son, and have a small, but grand, courthouse built in the county seat of Kingman.

The courthouse construction was begun in April of 1907 and completed 11 months later, with a dedication ceremony being held on March 22, 1908.

When it was finished this fine building sat on a bit of land, tall and elegant in its mortar and brick finery. Trees were planted, sidewalks laid, and small changes updated the building through the decades.

Now our beautiful building, on the National Register of Historic Places, is surrounded by stately trees and beautiful landscaping. These give it even more elegance than its first appearance at the beginning of the last century.

The inside of the courthouse has the beautiful dark wood that was prevalent at the time of its construction. The original floors, no doubt, were the same dark wood, but those are now covered in more sensible and lasting floor coverings.

Save America's Treasures issued a grant to the courthouse in 2004. The \$199,000 was used to conserve and restore the landmark. That same year, the Kansas Preservation Tax Credits were used to further enhance the building.

In 2008, one hundred years after the dedication, the Courthouse needed a bit of work, and a grant of \$90,000 was obtained through the Kansas Heritage Fund.

And, ten years later, we still have citizens who can see into the future and wish to expound on the legacy and keep the gift of the courthouse for future generations of Kingman County.

Mark Schnitker, the courthouse facilities manager, contacted me about a recent grant awarded to Kingman County for the Kingman County Courthouse. This grant, like the one ten years ago, was given by the Kansas Heritage Fund, a part of the Kansas Historical Society, and is

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School Spotlight Page Sponsorships still available. See page 8 for details.



**CATHOLIC Masses**  
**St. Leo**  
 Sunday, August 19, 2018  
 10:00 a.m.  
**St. John's, Zenda**  
 Sunday, August 19, 2018  
 8:30 a.m.  
**Sacred Heart, Cunningham**  
 Saturday, August 18, 2018  
 5:30 p.m.  
**St. Peter's, Willowdale**  
 Saturday, August 18, 2108  
 4:00 p.m.  
 Fr. Roger Lumbre  
 620-243-5451  
 620-298-2601  
 620-246-5370

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
**Penalosa**  
 Sunday Bible  
 Class 10:00 a.m.  
 Worship  
 11:00 a.m.  
 Afternoon Worship  
 1:30 at Penalosa  
 Community Center  
 Mid-Week Bible Study  
 Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.  
 620-532-2684

**CHRISTIAN**  
**Cunningham**  
 Sunday School  
 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship  
 10:45 a.m.  
 Bible Study  
 6:00 p.m.  
 Wednesday Prayer  
 Meeting 7:00 p.m.  
 Pastor Mike McGovney  
 620-298-3201  
 620-770-9507

**LUTHERAN**  
**St. John's**  
**Nashville**  
 Sunday School  
 & Bible Class  
 9:15 a.m.  
 Worship Service  
 10:30 a.m.  
**Trinity**  
**Medicine Lodge**  
 Morning  
 Worship 8:30 a.m.  
 Sunday School  
 & Bible Class  
 9:45 a.m.  
 620-656-7431  
 Pastor Dennis  
 Fangmeyer  
 620-246-5220  
 Cell: 620-886-0911

**UNITED METHODIST**  
**Penalosa**  
 Worship  
 9:15 a.m.  
**Cunningham**  
 Sunday School  
 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship 10:45 a.m.  
 Pastor Katelyn Hilger  
 620-298-2090

**UNITED METHODIST**  
**CHURCH**  
**Zenda**  
 101 N. Main  
 Sunday Worship  
 9 a.m.  
 Sunday School:  
 Children 8:30 a.m.  
 Adult 10:00 a.m.  
 (3rd Sunday of each  
 month breakfast fellow-  
 ship at : 8:30 a.m.)  
 (United Methodist  
 Women meet the 1st  
 Tues. monthly: 6:30  
 p.m.)  
 Pastor Ken Keeling

**YEARS AGO**

Here is another historical article from Bill and Deanna Parker. This was taken from the Biographical History of Central Kansas, Vol. 1, 1902 pages 478 - 480.

I retyped this story, and so I ended up spending a great deal of time with it, typing, correcting mistakes, reading, retyping, correcting more mistakes. (I'm a fast typist, just not always accurate) What an interesting voice this has.

I found it humorous that the size of a gentleman's home was of importance.

Also, interesting was the mention of townships... more often even than cities or towns.

My great-grandfather was also on that march with General Sherman. I wonder if the two ever encountered each other.

Enjoy the article. It's an interesting bit on a once prominent citizen of Kingman County.

**Joseph McPeek**

The influential citizen of Kingman, Kansas, whose name is above is police judge of the city of Kingman and ex-probate judge of Kingman County. His residence is at Broadway and G Street, Kingman, and he has a fine farm in Dresden Township. Judge McPeek was born in Guernsey County, Ohio, August 28, 1837, a son of William and Rebecca (Bowers) McPeek, natives of that county. Daniel McPeek, father of Rev. William McPeek and grandfather of Joseph McPeek, was born in New Jersey and became a pioneer in Guernsey County, Ohio where he took up government land.

He married Lydia Osborn, a native of the state of New York. His son, William McPeek, became a minister of the Baptist church and spent forty-five years in ministerial work in Washington, Guernsey and Noble counties, Ohio, living most of the time in Noble County, where he died in January 1901. In politics he was a Democrat.

His wife, who died in 1885, bore him seven children: Elias, a farmer in Hardin County, Ohio; Allen, a farmer and millwright and lives in Wood County, West Virginia; Joseph, the immediate subject of this sketch; Philip who died in West Virginia, where he founded a home and left a family; Jane who died at the age of eighteen years; Mary, the deceased wife of William Springer, of Noble county, Ohio.

Judge Joseph McPeek was carefully reared by his father, the Rev. William McPeek, who owned a good farm in Ohio and who afforded the boy a good common-school education which he supplemented personally by systematic instruction. He early developed a taste and talent for music and gave much attention to musical study and at the age of twenty-

one began teaching vocal music during the winter months and continued to work on the farm during the remainder of the year.

Eventually he secured a small farm of 45 acres, which was his home until he removed to Kansas in September 1878 and filed a claim on the northwest quarter of section 34, Dresden township, Kingman County, which he improved and still owns and which is regarded as one of the finest farms in the Ninnescah Valley. His first residence was a two-room sod house covering a ground space of fourteen by twenty-six feet and which had a roof of brush and slough grass covered over with dirt. In that little house he lived about ten years, devoting himself to general farming and stock-raising. It should be stated that he was one of the first in his vicinity to undertake horticulture on an extended scale.

In 1888 his fine young orchard of thirty acres, just becoming fruitful, was destroyed by a cyclone and hailstorm, the trees being literally stripped of bark and foliage. He at once planted an orchard of four acres, in which he has a carefully chosen variety of fruits, which the moist bottom land of the valley brings to perfection.

This orchard, though small, is considered one of the best in the county. He gave much attention to grading stock and still keeps on his farm about fifty head of high grade short-horn cattle.

Judge McPeek lived on his farm until 1894, when he was elected probate judge of Kingman County, to which he was re-elected in 1896 and thus has served two full terms. He was elected to his present office, that of police judge of the city of Kingman, in 1899. Since entering upon his official career he has divided his time between his office and his farm, which is under the supervision of his son, W.S. McPeek, and which is one of the best in the county, consisting of fertile bottom land and equipped with every modern improvement, including a fourteen by twenty-eight foot, two-story residence, a sixteen by twenty-foot barn, ample corn cribs, granaries and sheds, while a good living spring of water adds to its value as a stock farm. The whole place is well fenced and is divided into field of meadow, pasture and tilled land.

During his twenty-three years' residence in Kingman County, Judge McPeek has been prominently identified with its growth and development and has taken an important part in its social, moral and religious progress.

While living on his farm he served two terms as trustee of Dresden Township and two terms as township treasurer and assisted in the organization of school district No. 26, in which he was one of the first directors, serving in that capacity until he removed to

Kingman. He was one of the incorporators and was vice-president and treasurer of the town company that platted the town of Cunningham.

He cast his first presidential vote for Abraham Lincoln and acted consistently with the Republican Party until 1892, when he joined the reform movement, since which time he has supported the Populist ticket.

A life-long member of the Baptist Church, he has filled the office of deacon for thirty-five years, and as a member of the First Baptist Church of Kingman he is especially prominent in the religious work of the town and has long taken a leading part in Sunday school work. For twenty years of his life he has been a Sunday school superintendent and he was one of the organizers of the Union Baptist Church at Maud schoolhouse in district No. 25.

Judge McPeek, who is a veteran of the Civil War, is a member of Kingman post, No. 263, Grand Army of the Republic, in which he has filled most of the chairs and office of chaplain. He enlisted in August, 1862, in Company K, Ninety-Second Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and served as corporal until March 1865, when he was discharged for disability, after nearly three years' continuous experience of war in the southern states. After taking part in a preliminary campaign, he participated in the second fight at Fort Donelson. From there his regiment made its way up the Cumberland Valley to Nashville, and from there to Carthage, skirmishing all the way. From Carthage it went to Murfreesboro and took part in a lively fight near that place. After that it participated in the pursuit of Bragg, and after a fight at Hoover's Gap went southeast toward Chickamauga and participated in six days' heavy skirmishing before the Battle of Chickamauga. After that the regiment was stationed at Chattanooga, where Judge McPeek saw three months of guard duty and took part in occasional irregular engagements. At Missionary Ridge he received a musket ball in his side, and after being in hospital twelve days at Buzzard Roost and Ringgold, he was sent home on a thirty day's sick furlough. At the expiration of his furlough he promptly started for the seat of war and had proceeded as far as Nashville when he was stopped by a surgeon as unfit for duty and sent to a hospital at Louisville, Kentucky.

From there he went to Camp Dennison, near Cincinnati, Ohio, where for a time he did such light duty as came with his physical ability. He was at Atlanta with Sherman and his regiment followed that great general in his historic march to the sea, but he was unable to take part in that movement and was finally honor-

ably discharged at Camp Dennison at the date mentioned.

April 8, 1858, Judge McPeek married, in Monroe County, Ohio, Miss Jane Gardner, daughter of Samuel and Amelia (Jones) Gardner, who was born in Belmont County, Ohio, June 9th, 1834. Mrs. McPeek's parents were natives of Virginia and they settled in Ohio at an early day. Joseph and Jane (Gardner) McPeek have had seven children, the following information concerning whom will be of interest in this connection: Louisa is the wife of Joseph Vermillion, a farmer, who lives in Rural Township, Isaphene married Charles Cooley, of Dresden Township, Andrew F is an officer in the state reformatory at Hutchinson, Kansas: Samuel lives on his father's home farm; Mary is the wife of William Cooley, of Dresden township; Viola married Robert Cates, who is a hardware merchant at Kingman; Bessie, who is a member of her parents' household, is a graduate of the high school of Kingman, and is now a clerk in a leading store in the town.

Judge McPeek is a progressive, up-to-date man who is popular because he is useful and agreeable and who bends his energies to the advancement of the public good because he has a heartfelt interest in the people at large and wants to see all of them prosper in every legitimate way. In business and public affairs of importance his advice is sought and it is followed by his fellow citizens with full confidence because it has been proven good in many emergencies. He is a man of warm and ready sympathies and has been to many a man such a "friend in need" as is truly a "friend indeed."



**Back to School, Back to You: A Parent's Survival Guide**

(StatePoint)  
 Parenthood is a demanding and busy job, particularly during back-to-school season. With lunches to pack, homework to check, projects to oversee and activities to drive the kids to and from, it's no wonder many parents find it challenging to squeeze in time for self-care.

But, if you want to keep up with your kids, it's important to carve out time for healthy eating and exercise. Here are some ways to make more time for your own health, according to Courtney McCormick, dietitian for Nutrisystem.

**Be an Early Riser**  
 Relish early morning peace by getting moving an hour or two before the kids start stirring. Work in your morning fitness routine, meditate to mentally prepare for the day, do yoga and prepare a healthy breakfast. The earlier you rise, the more such daily habits you can adapt.

**Schedule It**  
 Schedule exercise the same way you would a trip to the doctor's office or hair salon. If it's on a daily task list or calendar, you're more likely to follow through. If positive reinforcement is a good motivator for you, use fun colored markers to record your various appointments and give yourself a big check mark or smiley face when you've completed a workout.

**Get Prepped**  
 Nothing makes mornings more chaotic than having to pack lunches while trying to get everyone out the door. And packing lunch in a pinch can leave you susceptible to making hasty choices. Take about 10 minutes in the evening to prepare the next day's lunches; you will thank yourself in the morning when you have healthy meals and snacks packed and ready to roll for yourself and your kiddos.

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**Back to School**

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Other meal prep ideas:  
 • Put together a bunch of meals on Sunday to simply pull out of the fridge and heat for quick, yet wholesome dinners on busy week nights.

• Boil a dozen eggs for an easy protein-rich snack. Create baggie-sized portions of nuts and fruit. Prepping nourishing grab-and-go snacks for the afternoon crunch will help you stay on track.

**Walk on Your Lunch Break**

If you find yourself really strapped for workout time, try taking a 30-minute walk before eating your lunch. Even doing light cardiovascular exercise for a half hour can help you stay in shape and shed some

pounds.

**Get the Kids Moving**

If you weren't able to squeeze in a sweat session sans kids, round up the family and take a long, after-dinner stroll. Encourage your children to keep up a moderate pace, while sharing stories and highlights from the day and playing games like "I Spy."

More health and wellness tips can be found at leaf.nutrisystem.com.

While it sounds counter-intuitive or even impossible to put yourself first when you're a parent, prioritizing your health and fitness is essential to keeping up with parental demands. This back-to-school season, stay focused on the fact that you still need time for you.



**USD 332**

**2018-2019 Budget Hearing Agenda**

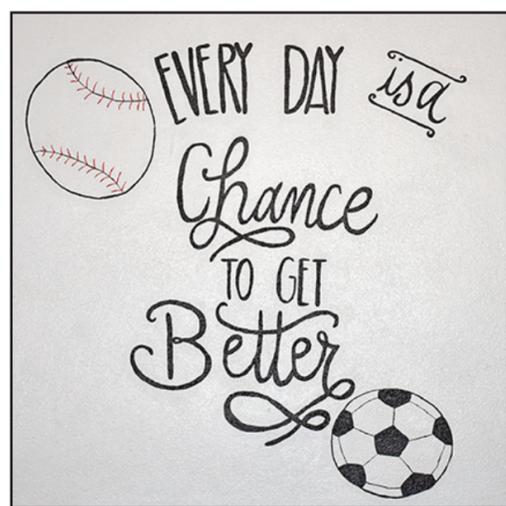
August 27, 7:30 a.m.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Agenda
- III. Guest Recognition
- IV. Budget Hearing
- V. Approval of 2018-2019 Budget (AI)
- VI. Adjournment

**Special Meeting Agenda**

August 27, 7:45 a.m.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Agenda
- III. Guest Recognition
- IV. Executive Session Personnel
- V. Personnel (AI)
- VI. Adjournment



**Community Bulletin Board**

August 23rd FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL	August 25th Inman Volleyball Tournament 9:00 a.m.
August 24th 7:30 p.m. PowderPuff Football	Single Stream Recycling in Cunningham Monday, August 27th & Sept. 10th
August 24th 7:00 p.m. School Cafeteria Meet & Greet School staff	August 29th 7:00 p.m. Book Club at Glenda Thornhill's "The Forgotten Garden" by Kate Morton
August 24th Booster Club Kickoff Event School Cafeteria 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Women's Come & Go Coffee & Go Coffee Two Palominos from 9 - 10 a.m. Wednesdays
August 27th City Council Meeting	



*Sunflower Spotlight:*  
**Week 1 Preview**

by Shawn Schaller

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Finally, after months of impatient waiting, the first week of college football is upon us. On Saturday, Sept. 1, 2018 – fewer than two weeks from writing this – KU and K-State will play their first games of the year. Here's a quick preview.

KU hosts Nicholls State starting at 6:00 pm. The Colonels went 8-4 in 2017 with their final loss coming in the FCS Playoffs, and another of their losses coming by only 10 points to Texas A&M. They return 16 starters, 10 of whom made the 2017 Southland All-Conference second team. They have great offensive balance, a fast and aggressive defensive line, and are a far better opponent than I like seeing in an opener. In theory, KU should still be just fine. Seniors Daniel Wise (DT), J.J. Holmes (DT) and Joe Dineen (LB) are a capable core of run defenders, and the secondary should be as good as it's been since 2014. Most importantly, the offense will (allegedly) be catered to running backs Khalil Herbert (Jr), Dom Williams (So) and Pooka Williams (Fr), three of the most talented offensive players on the roster, which should mitigate an aggressive defense. Expect an uncomfortably close

game, but if KU avoids major mistakes it should be just fine.

Coincidentally, K-State hosts South Dakota, kicking off at 6:10 pm. The Coyotes are coming off an 8-5 campaign that resulted in an FCS Playoff loss to Sam Houston State. They've lost some key talent from their second-ranked offense, but return a number of defenders that contributed to ranking 12<sup>th</sup> in both sacks and tackles for loss in 2017. K-State should have little to worry about, though. Led by a pair of scrambling quarterbacks, running back Alex Barnes (Jr) and one of the most experienced offensive lines in college football, the Wildcats should be able to create running lanes. A run-of-the-mill Bill Snyder defense won't impress anyone out of the gate, but should be able to limit big plays. If the Coyotes want to win, they'll have to do it the hard way and match K-State in a long grind. Expect a game that's close at first, but for the Wildcats to create separation coming out of halftime.

Relative to many seasons, this could be an interesting opening week for KU and K-State. Let's hope that our excitement for the new season is rewarded with a good start.

"Guys care about sports teams. I'm not talking about simply rooting; I'm talking about a relationship that guys develop, a commitment to a sport team that guys take way more seriously than, for example, wedding vows."

— Dave Barry, *Dave Barry's Complete Guide to Guys*

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**Love's Travel Center's Children's Miracle Network Fundraising**



**Meanderings**

I had a column idea and had even written the first sentence. Then I read something, something that triggered a niggling little peeve I have; and now that I have a very small army of readers, I am going to hold off on the original column and address this peeve of mine. I know I am not the only one who is bothered by this. And many of you aren't or won't be until you, too, are walking the roads of life by yourselves. Writing about this may not change the world, but it may change my little corner of it.

I am not pointing fingers; I am only addressing an issue our society has adopted as normal business. It is unfair, but it is there and continually practiced. Most folks don't think anything about it, they just pay up and off they go.

I have been a single person most of my adult life. I was single from the age of 18 until I was 25. I didn't mind being single. There are a great many advantages to being ball-and-chain free. Then I was married for 16 years, and there were many advantages to being ball-and-chain laden. And now I've been single for 16 years, and I don't mind it. Concessions are made. My house isn't as clean; my yard not as spiffy. But I'm okay with that.

I have learned to make adjustments in how I accomplish tasks. I don't have anyone to hold a ladder or a flashlight for me. I don't have a companion to help me push the bed away from the wall to sweep behind it. Little adjustments are made, those that can't be made, I call for help... my brother, a friend, a handyman, who ever.

I eat most meals by myself; and because I was raised to eat at the table, and not in front of the television. I ALWAYS sit at the table to eat. I read the newspaper or work a crossword or a cryptopquip. I sometimes read a book or a magazine. I have a couple of cats and the two dogs that sit on the floor hoping for a dropped tidbit, and I talk to them. For the most part I don't mind that they are my only dining companions.

But when I am tired of those dinner companions, I call a friend and we go out to eat. Life is good.

And once in a great little while, I attend a banquet or dinner. The price might be set at \$25.00 for a single plate. OR two for \$45.00. That is my peeve. It is wrong. I fussed about it at the Alumni banquet last spring, and we changed it.

Think about it. Ninety-year-old Grandma wants to attend her alumni banquet, she gets her grandson, Dan the CPA, and his wife Allie the Nurse, to take her. They are happy

to, as they will be attending as well. Gran sends in her \$25.00 that she's saved for out of her small fixed-income Social Security check. Dan and Allie send in their \$45.00, which they haven't had to save for. The big event comes, Gran is first in line at the buffet because she's the oldest alum present. She takes a spoonful of this and spoonful of that, and bite of salad, "only fill my coffee cup 1/2 way, please." Dan played football in college and Allie is a runner. They load up their plates and sit down to enjoy their food. Why did Grandma have to pay more to attend the banquet? Why did she have to pay more because she's single? And what about me? Granted, I have chosen to be single, but that doesn't mean I should be paying an extra bit so a "couple" can have a discount.

For whatever reason society thinks it is perfectly okay to charge more for a single person than for a couple. This needs to be changed. I hope it starts soon. Single people don't all choose to be single. Sometimes we know that the right person hasn't found us yet. Or that right person found us and is no longer here to share our life.

"It's only five dollars, it's not going to make you or break you," I've heard said.

"Well, if it's only five dollars, then why don't couples have to pay it if I do?" was my reply. No answer.

Oh, and I love this response, "Well, life isn't fair, so you might as well pay it." And they are partly right. Life isn't fair.

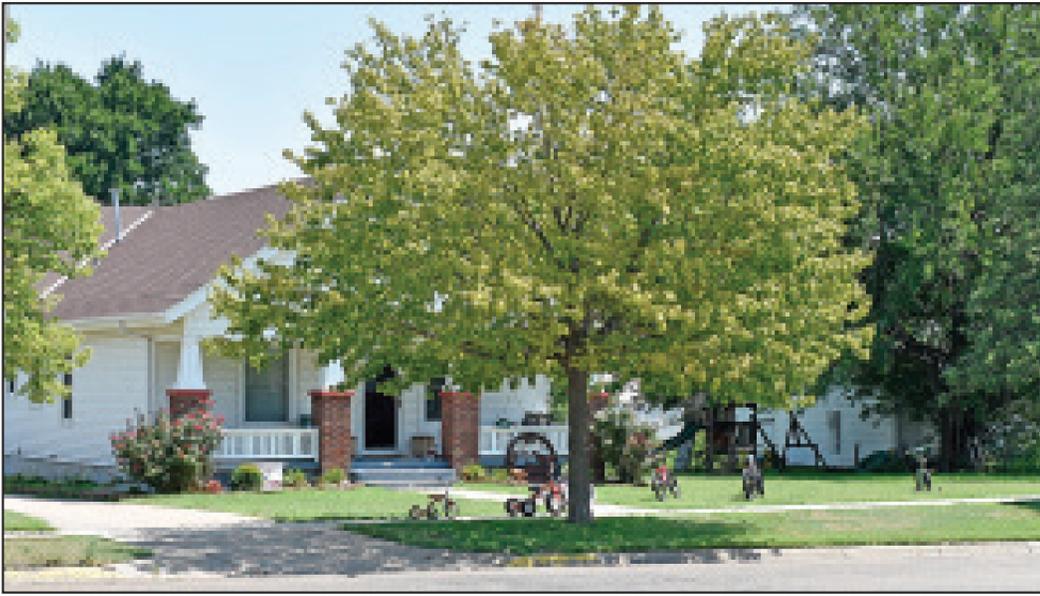
But LIFE is death and divorce. It is being left alone in a world of happy couples. It is sleeping alone at night after decades of having a warm soul next to you. It is dining in front of the TV alone many nights in a row. It is dreaming of that last dance, that last kiss. It is losing a steady-the-ladder partner. It is worshipping the grandchildren without the shared smile of a soulmate. It is having to do all the chores around the house that have been shared through most of a lifetime. LIFE isn't fair.

But asking singles to pay more to attend a banquet or conference, to join a club or organization; asking widows and widowers and the divorced to pay more for an opportunity to belong to a group isn't LIFE being unfair. That isn't even LIFE--that is society's unfair disregard for those who endure life's most unfair experiences.

Always reading, and current reading "The Forgotten Garden" by Kate Morton, Roberta

"Without a doubt... the worst part of being a single woman was having to take care of your own car."

— Lisa Kleypas, Rainshadow Road



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A reminder of the carefree and endless days of summer as a kid. Bicycles parked helter-skelter in a yard. The kids, no doubt, having a glass or Kool-Aid or watching a bit of TV. Resting from the vigorous play they'd been enjoying. Sigh. It makes me long for the summer days of my youth.



You know you live in a small town when you see a child's little transport sitting idly in a driveway on Main Street. No child around, probably off doing something fun with a friend, or was called in for lunch or a nap or a snack. That little vehicle is safe on the street here in small town America, just as they were when I was a kid.

## School Gets New Parking Lot

by the editor

With the construction of the new school building in the last couple of years, connecting Cunningham Grade School to Cunningham High School, the school lost its bus-loading zone. Or student-loading-and-unloading-bus zone.

It always seemed so convenient, the bus stop between the schools -- the buses pulled up and the students got off; high-schoolers went east; grade-schoolers went west.

Now a building sits there, and bus-loading has been happening at the sides and front of the school. Teachers' vehicles and parents' vehicles are parked here

and there, in front of the school, across the street, cars everywhere.

Well, that is about to change. There are new parking spaces being created on the west side of the grade school.

As I am taking pictures of the new parking spaces, I was thinking about that area 40+ years ago. There was a large slide and a some swings there. Spirea bushes shielded the play area from the sidewalk and street. (I can remember picking the spirea flowers for May baskets.)

I think this new space for teachers is a good thing. I was a teacher for over three decades, and I can remember the times I

had to park on the edges of a much larger parking lot, and then I'd have to tote about 40 pounds of "stuff" across an expanse of hot asphalt or across that same asphalt when cold winter winds wanted to blow me elsewhere. And had I not had that 40 pounds of books and supplies weighing me down, I'd, no doubt, have been blown into the next county.

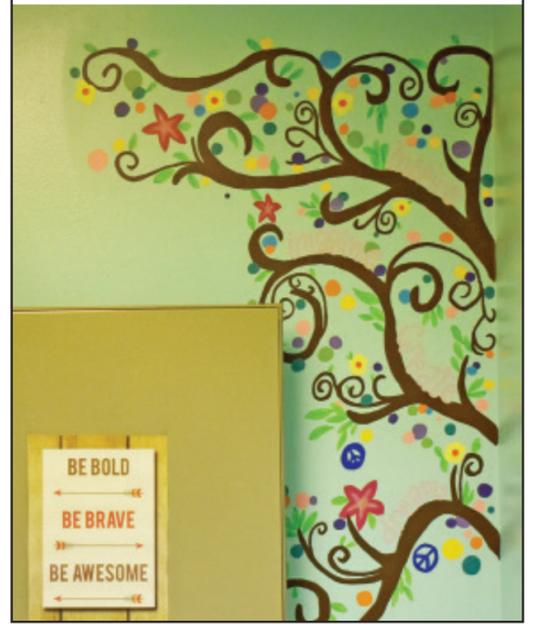
Elementary teachers are notorious for hauling carloads of items to school. On days when a science activity is planned or a special something is in the works, numerous trips to and from the parking lot are necessary. Bags filled to capacity, back-breakingly lugged across the way and into the school,

down the hallways that have lengthened overnight. AUGH.

I happened to arrive at the construction sight at the time some teachers were pulling up to the door to unload their summer accumulation of necessary teaching supplies, and I hastily snapped pictures, because I knew no one would believe me when I would try and explain how teachers are pack-rats in the summer and bring all these things to school. And they are all necessary things.

As the pictures show, the parking lot will be quite convenient for the teachers to back up to and unload their treasures.

So, Congratulations, Teachers, there is not a profession in the world that deserves a close and convenient parking lot more than you do.



"Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world."

-Nelson Mandela



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## CUNNINGHAM BOOSTER CLUB

### "KICK-OFF EVENT"

AUGUST 24th, 2018  
@ CUNNINGHAM SCHOOL  
STARTING @ 5:30

**COME HELP SUPPORT YOUR CUNNINGHAM WILDCAT STUDENTS BY JOINING US IN BOOSTER CLUB 2018/2019!**

5:30-7:00 Hamburgers/Hotdogs & Watermelon Feed

6:00 JH/HS girls/boys Volleyball game

7:00 Meet & Greet Teachers/Staff

7:30 Volleyball Scrimmage

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T-Shirt Blanket, Bluetooth Speaker,  
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Bring your gentle used Cunningham clothing or gear you no longer need or use to share!  
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Thurs. Aug. 23rd CLOSED  
Fri. Aug. 24th CLOSED  
Sat. Aug. 25th 1 - 7  
Sun. Aug. 26th 1 - 5  
Mon. Aug. 27th 5 - 7  
Tues. Aug. 28th CLOSED  
Wed. Aug. 29th 5 - 7  
Thurs. Aug. 30th CLOSED  
Fri. Aug. 31st CLOSED

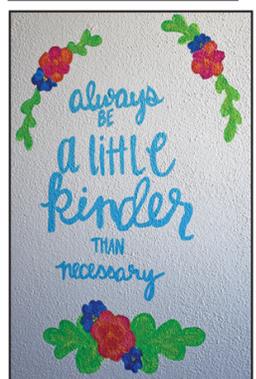
**LABOR DAY WEEKEND**  
Sat, Sept 1st 1 pm - 7 pm  
Sun, Sept 2nd 1 pm - 7 pm  
MOONLIGHT SWIM 8 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.  
Benefit for Children's Miracle Network  
Mon, Sept 3rd 1 pm - 6 pm

There are still a few dates open for private parties  
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Courthouse

worth \$90,000 and will be used to replace windows in the building.

Mark visited with me about the new funding and what it will fix in this timeless building. He said the planning and preparation has taken about three years. He attended workshops the Kansas Historical Society and Heritage Fund hosted to help those who wish to seek money for preservation.

There are many steps and concessions and standards and specifications to make in applying for this grant. The application is ten pages long. Katrina Ringler, the Historic Preservation Grants Manager came out and walked through the building, looked at the windows. The wooden sashes, part of the original building, are still in place and in good condition, but the windows seep hot and cold air from the outside, soot and ash filters through from the fires we've had in the state, furniture and documents fade from the direct sunlight. Efficiency is a priority.

The windows for this building will need to be custom made. Several are almost 10 feet tall, many have arches on the top. It will be a job to replace them. The windows are currently aluminum-framed but will be replaced with wood-frame windows with aluminum cladding. The new windows will be double-paned and double-hung. They will be energy efficient and durable. The style will be more in keeping with the windows installed 100 years ago.

It will be an expensive undertaking, and because the courthouse is listed on the National Register of Historic Places tax credits can be sold by the county to cover costs over the \$90,000. Or the county can reapply for the grant this year. There is no limit on the number of times an entity can ask for the grant funds.

After the paperwork and the seminars and the final groundwork was laid, Mark and Commissioner Fred Foley drove to Topeka in February of this to present their cause in person. Fred had three minutes to "convince the board this project was worth \$90,000." He spoke to the five board members and almost 100 other applicants who were there to convince the Heritage

Trust board of the significance of their own wishes and passions.

I talked to Fred about what he said to the board to convince them the Kingman County Courthouse was a worthwhile investment. He told them the courthouse is a gift to future generations of Kingman County; he talked about the soldiers from Kingman County who have fought in wars. He told them Kingman County is known for taking care of their facilities and roads. He was passionate and truly believed in the project. He must have been good because the grant can be difficult to obtain.

In November of 2017, The Heritage Grand Fund accepted 53 proposals from all over the state of Kansas. Cities and municipalities and counties and buildings asking for a total \$3,586,000. Twenty-four of those applications asked for the top amount of \$90,000. The Heritage board chose 20 worthwhile projects; only two of the 24 that asked for the \$90,000 were given that grant. The total amount of the awards given out came to \$853,586.

Fred and Mark are grateful to the Heritage Trust Fund for the opportunity to improve this beautiful building for the future of Kingman County. They appreciate the money to jump-start a project that will benefit us for years to come.

Carol Noblit is the county clerk and the administrator of the project. She will be working with Mark and the architect, Douglas Lloyd to oversee the project. Mr. Lloyd was hired by the commissioners and was instrumental in filling out the paperwork to make this project happen. His help is greatly appreciated.

The bid notice went out this week, and it appears on page six of this newspaper. Bids will be opened at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup>.

We, in Kingman County, are proud of this fine old building. I hope future generations continue to honor and support the history and care that has been taken to ensure it stands for many, many years to come.

Thank you, Mark and Fred and Carol and Mr. Lloyd, for getting it ready for those future generations to whom we will need to pass the torch of care someday.

Pictures of the Courthouse through the Generations

courtesy photos



This photo for a postcard was probably shortly after it was completed in 1908....



1923....



...And the beautiful building today.



The building was placed on the National Register of Historic Places on September 11, 1985.



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Mark Schnittker, left, and Commissioner Fred Foley stand in front of the courthouse with the sign designating it a recipient of the Kansas Heritage Trust Fund.

# Meeting of the County Commission

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY CANVASSERS ON August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Canvasser Steffen called the Board of County Canvassers to order at 8:00 a.m.

Carol Noblit, County Election Officer presented the Board of Canvassers the Poll Books, Tally Books and 24 Provisional Ballots.

The Board of Canvassers reviewed the 24 Provisional Ballots and decided that 15 Provisionals would be Counted and 9 Provisionals were not eligible to be counted.

The Provisionals were given to the Special Counting Board (Amber Hartley, Tiffany Aumiller and Stan Goetz) for them to count.

The Canvassers recessed the meeting at 8:15 a.m.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Those present: John Steffen, Chairman; Fred Foley, Commissioner; Jerry Henning, Commissioner; Carol Noblit, County Clerk; John Caton, County Counselor

Visitors: Gayle Dye; Larry Landwehr; Jason Jump, Leader-Courier; Daniel Blaha; Carol Voran; Heath Weninger; Melissa Ward; Republican Representative; Shanna Henry and John Riggins, P.E. Vice President, Kirkham Michael.

Staff: Amber Hartley, Deputy Appraiser; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Linda Langley, Internal Auditor; Sheriff Randy Hill; Mark Schnittker, Courthouse Maintenance and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director.

Chairman Steffen called the regular Board of County Commissioners to order at 8:15 a.m.

The agenda was approved as presented.

Chairman Steffen asked if there was any public comment.

Carol Voran discussed information she had.

The County Clerk submitted the minutes from the August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Commission Meeting for approval. Minutes were approved.

Sheriff Randy Hill brought in a late quote for financing from Conway Bank in Norwich that is higher. Sheriff Hill asked Linda Langley to be present to discuss the funding for the vehicles and would like to lease the vehicles this time and in future save the funds to purchase and not lease.

Sheriff Hill let the Commissioners know that Kanza Bank had the best interest rate and would like to ask approval.

MOTION: Commissioner

Steffen moved to accept the Kanza Bank interest rate for the purchase of the interceptors. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Linda Langley, Internal Auditor reviewed the monthly report with the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the Tax Credit application for the step replacement on the Courthouse Step. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Steffen opened a letter received from Cunningham EMS and it was their bank statement.

Stan Goetz was in to discuss that the Department of Labor was in last week to do an audit and will get us a report.

Mr. Goetz submitted information on an ADA transition plan and the need for a ADA Coordinator. Mr. Caton let Mr. Goetz know that he will work on an ADA transition plan.

Mr. Goetz went over the Department Head Minutes with the County Commissioners.

Mr. Goetz let the Commissioners know that the Blue Cross/Blue Shield Kickoff Meeting for the County is this week on the 15<sup>th</sup>. There is three meetings scheduled for that day.

Recess the County Commission Meeting at 9:25 a.m.

Reconvene the Board of County Canvassers at 9:25 a.m.

The County Election Officer submitted the final canvass of votes with the addition of the Provisional Ballots accepted.

MOTION: Canvasser Henning moved to accept and approve the totals of the County Canvass. Canvasser Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Canvassers.

MOTION: Canvasser Foley moved to adjourn the Board of Canvassers at 9:37 a.m. Canvasser Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Canvassers.

Reconvene the County Commission Meeting at 9:38 a.m.

Mr. Goetz submitted the following building permit:

Glen Berg for a house in Section 25, Township 27, Range 5W (Evan).

Mr. Goetz discussed with the County Commissioners if they had any questions about the meeting with Sempra from last week.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session at 9:50 a.m. with Stan Goetz, HR and John Caton, County Counselor to discuss an individual employee's performance.

MOTION: Commissioner

Henning moved to approve shared leave for an employee. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Steffen moved to go into executive session at 10:05 a.m. with Stan Goetz, HR and John Caton, County Counselor to discuss an individual employee's performance.

The Commissioners returned to regular session at 10:15 a.m. with no binding action taken.

The County Commissioners reviewed RFP (Request for Proposal) for the Law Enforcement Center.

Mr. Caton discussed having a design build team.

Commissioner Henning discussed wording on the bottom of page 8 that doesn't need to be included in the RFP because it may throw people off.

The Commissioners discussed the selection committee being consisted of County Commissioners; Sheriff Randy Hill; City Chief of Police Lux and Stan Goetz, Communications Coordinator.

Mr. Caton let the Commissioners know that they need to be realistic on their request.

Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director and John Riggins, P.E. Vice President for Kirkham Michael was in with the North Main inspection contract for approval by the Commissioners.

Commissioner Henning wanted to know if they use the KDOT standards for the project.

Mr. Riggins said there is a one year warranty on the materials and workmanship.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the engineering services agreement between Kirkham Michael and Kingman County. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf reviewed the July financial reports with the County Commissioners.

Mr. Arensdorf reviewed a township consultation request from Hoosier Township with the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to do the township consultation for Hoosier Township. Commissioner Henning

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

Mr. Arensdorf discussed contract Seal Coat product called "Mastic" received from Hall Brothers, Inc. with the Commissioners.

Commissioners agreed to use this product from the Hall Brothers, Inc.

Mr. Arensdorf let the Commissioners know that he has scheduled a bid opening for the RCB Extensions for South of Cunningham on August 27, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

The County Commissioners signed the County vouchers in the amount of \$166,724.16.

The County Commissioners signed Road & Bridge vouchers in the amount of \$33,393.29.

The County Clerk submitted a quote received from Great American Hardwood Flooring, Inc. in the amount of \$3,300.00 for the flooring in the Register of Deeds Office due to water damage.

The County Commissioners would like to have at least two bids received for the flooring in the Register of Deeds office.

Meeting adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

## 19<sup>TH</sup> Annual Beef Stocker Field Day

Jake W. Renner  
K-State Research and Extension  
Agriculture & Natural Resources

Quality stocker production strategies, cattle pain management, livestock theft and a panel discussion on how silage fits in growing diets are among topics planned for the 2018 Kansas State University Beef Stocker Field Day on Thursday, Sept. 20.

"We are excited to host the 19th annual edition of the KSU Beef Stocker Field Day," says Dale Blasi, K-State Animal Sciences and Industry professor and beef cattle extension specialist. "Like all the other events in the past, we bring the latest information on marketing, nutrition, health and technology for attendees to apply to their operation."

Hosted at the K-State Beef Stocker Unit (4330 Marlatt Avenue, Manhattan, Kansas), the event starts with registration and coffee at 9:30 a.m. and the program at 10:15 a.m. A barbecue

lunch is provided and the day ends with an evening social, the "Cutting Bull's Lament 2018" at 5:30 p.m. featuring prairie oysters and Call Hall ice cream. Attendees will also have a chance to tour the new student housing at the Beef Stocker Unit and observe some of the new products from Moly Manufacturing Inc.

Topics for this year's agenda include:

- The Role of Stocker Producer Expectations in Cattle Buying Decisions
- Producer Panel: Why Silage Fits in my Growing Diets
- An Update on Pain Management in Cattle
- Quality Stocker Production Considerations
- The Tech Revolution, Wall Street, Baseball and the Cattle Industry
- Rethinking BRD Diagnosis
- Livestock Theft in Kansas
- Treatment Failures that are not BRD Related

For more information, contact County Agriculture Agent, Jake Renner at 620-532-5131 or email [jwrenner@ksu.edu](mailto:jwrenner@ksu.edu). Online registration can also be found by visiting [www.kingman.ksu.edu/crops-livestock](http://www.kingman.ksu.edu/crops-livestock)

Anyone can follow a path, but only a leader can blaze one.

**Notice**

**Invitation for Bids**

Window Sash Replacement & Wood Window Frame Repair to:

**Kingman County Courthouse**  
130 N. Spruce  
Kingman, Ks 67068

Kingman County, Kansas, will receive sealed bids from (Sub)contractors for the above referenced project until 10 a.m. on September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018, at the office of the County Commission, Kingman County Courthouse, 130 N. Spruce, Kingman, Kansas. Bids will be publicly opened at the above date, time and place.

Bids will be received on a total bid price basis and shall include a sum to cover the cost of all items of the contract, including insurance.

The bid will be awarded on the basis of cost and performance; to the Bidder who, in the Owner's judgement, is the lowest, qualified, responsible and responsive Bidder. Owner reserves the right to reject any and all Bids and to reject the Bid of any Bidder if the Owner believes it would not be in the best interest of Owner to make an award to that Bidder.

Contract documents including drawings and specifications will be on file for examination after August 20, 2018, at the following locations:

Douglas R. Loyd, Architect  
413 1/2 S. Main Street  
Ottawa, Kansas 66067  
785-242-2122

Kingman County Courthouse  
130 N. Spruce  
Kingman, Kansas 67068  
(620) 532-2521

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained after August 20, 2018 from the office of Douglas R. Loyd, Architect.

Submit bids to the Owner:  
"Kingman County Courthouse Bid Proposal"  
Kingman County Courthouse  
130 N. Spruce  
Kingman, KS 67068  
c/o Carol Noblit, County Clerk  
Attn. John Steffen, Chairman

The successful firm will be required to comply with all laws and statutory regulations. No Bidder shall in any way, directly or indirectly, discriminate against any person because of age, race, color, handicap, sex, national origin or religious creed.

The Kingman County Courthouse is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

All work must comply with the Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation.

The project is partially supported by a Heritage Trust Fund Grant from the Kansas State Historical Society.

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### Classified Ad Rates

\$5.00 minimum charge for one-week run.  
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SAVE BIG during Mid-America Piano's Back-2-School Sale, August 18-September 1! Verticals from \$888, grands starting at \$49/month & digitals from \$1,099! 241 Johnson Rd., Manhattan, 800-950-3774. Preview sale at www.piano4u.com/specials.

## HELP Wanted

Lab tech: Full-time MT or MLT, ASCP or equivalent, progressive southeast Nebraska hospital, phlebotomy skills required. Competitive pay scale, excellent benefits. Apply online at JHealthandLife.org/careers/. More information: Sandy Bauer, HR director, 402-729-6850.

Long-term care nurse: full-time, 4 10-hour shifts 1:45 pm-12:15 a.m., Nebraska RN or LPN, full-time nurse, rotating weekends and holidays, competitive pay scale, excellent benefits. 5-Star JCH&L Gardendale. Apply online at JHealthandLife.org/careers/. More information: Sandy Bauer, HR director, 402-729-6850.

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

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### Part-time child care provider.

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## Public Notice

(Published in The Cunningham Courier, Thursday, August 9, 2018) 3t

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS  
CIVIL DEPARTMENT

Flagstar Bank, F.S.B.  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
AnnaMae Stamp; David Treadwell; John Doe (Tenant/Occupant); Mary Doe (Tenant/Occupant), Defendants.  
Case No. 18CV22  
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:

Part of the Northeast Quarter (NE/4) of Section 33, Township 27 South, Range 7 West of the 6th P.M., Kingman County, Kansas, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point 210 feet North of the Southeast corner of said NE/4 of Section 33-27S-7W, thence West at right angles a distance of 260 feet, thence North at right angles, a distance of 382 feet, thence East at right angles, a distance of 260 feet, thence South 382 feet to the point of beginning, commonly known as 553 NE 20th Ave, 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 19th day of September, 2018, 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

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## Booking Information

Thank you Rebecca Huelskamp, Amanda Prim, and Emily Huelskamp. The bathroom decor is delightful. Bravo, well done!

## Public Notice

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

Wells Fargo Bank, NA  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
Janita V. Rupe, Jeremy J. Rupe, et al.,  
Defendants.  
Case No. 17CV32  
Division 13  
K.S.A. 60  
Mortgage Foreclosure (Title to Real Estate Involved)

### NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued by the Clerk of the District Court in and for the said County of Kingman, State of Kansas, in a certain cause in said Court Numbered 17CV32, wherein the parties above named were respectively plaintiff and defendant, and to me, the undersigned Sheriff of said County, directed, I will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand at 10:00 AM, on 09/13/2018, at the front door of Kingman County Courthouse, the following described real estate located in the County of Kingman, State of Kansas, to wit:

LOT TWENTY-ONE (21) BLOCK TWO (2), ORIGINAL TOWN OF CUNNINGHAM, KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS.

SHERIFF OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS  
Respectfully Submitted,

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
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"The noblest motive is the public good."  
- Virgil

### Thompson Attends Cattlemen's Tour



Mr. James Thompson who is running for the 4th District US House of Representatives was a guest at the recent Cattlemen's Tour in Cunningham. Mr. Thompson has spent time in Kingman and Pratt Counties visiting agricultural farms, wind farms and attending gatherings. Mr. Thompson opened his Pratt office on Saturday August 11th. The Pratt office is located in the 54 Plaza east of the Ser-va-teria.

### A Bit of Cunningham History



After decades in storage (a unit in Wichita, a warehouse in Derby, a garage in Cunningham) the old Coca-Cola cooler from the Hiway Cafe is finding a more permanent home in the Cunningham Historical Museum.

I can remember pulling bottles of soda out of it back in 1975 when I started work at Mary's Hiway Cafe, and it was still there when Dad (Bob Thimesch) bought the restaurant. If memory serves me right, it was retired in the mid 1980's.

The sodas sat in ice cold water, the waitresses pulled them out, pulled the lid off using the little lid-popper-off mechanism there on the side.

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### ??Mystery ?? Picture



A friend is taking "mystery pictures" in Cunningham. She got the idea from another picture I had in the paper a few weeks ago.

Here is her first picture. I can give hints:  
They are not outside.  
They most likely will be used for cozy reading.  
They will be used by young people.  
And were probably hauled to their place by a

vehicle pictured on page 4.

Sorry, no prize. This is just a conversation starter. Enjoy!

### Council on Aging Van to State Fair...

The Council on Aging van will be taking a fun trip to the Kasnas State Fair in Hutchinson on Monday, September 10th, 2018 (Dollar Day). For reservations, please call the KCCOA Office at 620-532-5744 by Thursday, September 6th, 2018.

### ... and notice of the Legislative Luncheon

The annual Legislative Luncheon will be held on Thursday, September 13th, at 11:00 a.m. at the Kingman Senior Center.

Guest speakers include: Mel Thompson, representing U.S. Senator Pat Roberts, Senator Ed Berger; Representative Jack Thimesch, Jodi Abington, South Central Kansas Area Agency on Aging and Rozie O'Brien, Aging Project's Inc.

The event will begin promptly at 11:00 a.m. The noon meal will be prepared by Kingman Friendship Meals. A minimal donation is asked to offset the total cost of the meal.

Reservations are required by September 7, 2018. Call 620-532-5744 or 620-532-55623

If you make reservations and are unable to attend please call to cancel.

Meals rare prepared based on the number of reservations made.

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