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## Martha Strong Wins Blue Ribbon at Pratt County Fair

Photos and story by me

"I was the youngest of eight children and I always had to use the old crayons that were broken and had the wrappers all peeled off by my older brothers and sisters," laughed Martha (Albers) Strong.

When given an adult coloring book a few years ago by her daughter, Bonnie, Martha Strong began coloring as a hobby.

She recently chose two of her finished projects to show at the Pratt County Fair.

When a friend said, "You aren't going to win anything," Ninety-two-year-old Martha replied, "It's not for the competition, I just want people to see what I do." When the pictures were returned to her, she found a blue ribbon attached to one of them. She was "tickled".

Martha does NOT like to use crayons as they are too waxy and it makes it more difficult to stay inside the small, detailed lines. Crayons just don't have the sharpened point necessary for the intricacies of those lines. There are also those bad memories of the mostly used-up crayons of her youth.

Martha keeps a container of colored pencils handy, and a couple of lap desks by her chair.

While she colors she listens to music, or audio books or sometimes watches television.

The music and audio books are other ways to keep a mind sharp and active as one grows older; tv - not so much.

There are many other benefits for adults who pursue this endeavor. Martha says it helps with her small motor skills, and her thinking processes, as she has to plan what colors she is going to use.

The blog on "Colorit.com" lists the top 7 benefits of coloring for adults:

1. Your brain experiences relief by entering a meditative state
2. Stress and anxiety levels have the potential to be lowered
3. Negative thoughts are expelled as you take in positivity
4. Focusing on the present helps you achieve mindfulness
5. Unplugging from technology promotes creation over consumption
6. Coloring can be done by anyone, not just artists or creative types
7. It's a hobby that can be taken with you wherever you go

Where Martha uses colored pencils, some artists choose pens, and Martha didn't care for those either.

The internet shows sets of colored pencils with 72 different colors in a set. Gel pens come a range of extras: metallic, neon, glitter.

Many choices for you when you decide to take up this hobby.

Ask Martha Strong for pointers or help in getting started, she seems to know the coloring business.



Mrs. Martha Strong



Martha's blue ribbon-winning picture of two owls.



Martha also entered this picture in the Pratt County Fair.



Just a pretty sample I found on-line to take up some space....

## Brunch is served...at Hilltop Manor

On Saturday, August 11th, drive out to Hilltop Manor for a lovely brunch with the residents.

On the menu: bacon and/or sausage casseroles, veggie casseroles, tri-tators, and pancakes.

The cost is minimal: pay with a donation of school supplies, which the home will donate to our local school. It's a win-win for everyone. Community, Hilltop Manor, and the schools.

They will begin serving around 11:00 or 11:15. Do try your best to go out and support our community.

## City Council Met July 30th

The Cunningham City Council met at 6:30 p.m., Monday, July 30, 2018, at City Hall. Present were Mayor Aaron Murphy; Council Members – Karl Vierthalter, Jason Ruckle, Tim Schultz, Bart Ricke, and Matt Westerhaus; Greg Graffman, City Attorney; David Steffen, City Clerk; and guests – Todd Shelman, Molly Morgan, Betty Shelton, Lana Wolfgang, Anthony Leis, Kevin Graham, and Melissa Graham.

Following approval of the agenda and minutes of the June meeting, Molly Morgan, pool manager, gave the swimming pool report. The Council approved a motion to close the swimming pool during the softball tournament Friday evening and Saturday. The Council approved a motion to have a midnight swim as a benefit for the Children's Miracle Network, with the date to be set by Molly.

The Council discussed the use of cargo / truck boxes for storage in residential areas and affirmed that they are prohibited by City Code and should be removed. When asked if the storage box could remain on site if it were inside a building, the consensus was that nothing in the code prohibited having the box inside a building if was enclosed by the building and the building itself met city code with the owner obtaining a building permit and a zoning permit prior to construction. The Council approved a motion to allow the property owner up to six months to construct a building over the truck box or remove it.

The Council approved a proposal from Circle C Paving for chip-sealing six blocks of city streets (Ohio from Florence to Leiter, Lincoln from First to Third, and Stadium from First to Third), cut out and repair potholes and low spots on several streets, and pave the 100 block of S. Elliott with 2" of asphalt. The estimated cost is \$56,417. The Council discussed calling K&O Railroad regarding the crossings on Elliott Street. Mayor Murphy will contact the railroad to see if work can be done while Circle C is in town.

Members of the City Council, the Mayor, Attorney, and Clerk met in executive session for five minutes, from 7:25 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., to discuss matters pertaining to non-elected personnel: review applications and resumes for the city superintendent position.

After returning to open session, the Council approved a motion to interview two individuals who will be notified by the clerk to determine a time and date for the interviews.

Todd Shelman gave the maintenance report.

Letters notifying property owners and tenants of yards in need of mowing will be mailed. Several properties in violation of the City's health and environmental codes were discussed.

The Clerk gave the financial report. The Council approved the report and payment of bills.

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

## City Council Approves Budget

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

Present were Mayor Aaron Murphy, Council Members Karl Vierthalter, Bart Ricke, Jason Ruckle, and Matt Westerhaus; and City Clerk David Steffen. No guests were present for the meeting, which was the 2019 City Budget Hearing.

The clerk and governing body reviewed the 2019 city budget. The City's assessed valuation increased

from \$2,527,675 for the 2018 budget to \$2,858,613 for the 2019 budget. Net expenditure budget authority for all funds increased from \$581,136 for the 2018 budget to \$585,085 for the 2019 budget. The mill levy decreased from 71.045 mills for the 2018 budget to 64.741 mills for the 2019 budget, a decrease of 6.3 mills.

The Council passed a motion to approve the budget and signed the certificate page.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

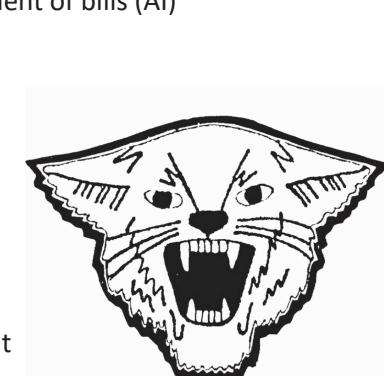
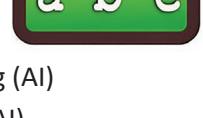
## No City Planning Commission Meeting this Week

City Planning Commission Chairman Mike McGovney announced this week that the regular meeting of the city planning commission scheduled for Thursday evening has been cancelled. The next scheduled meeting of the Cunningham Planning Commission will be at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, September 12, at City Hall.

## Agenda for Board of Education Meeting on August 13 at 7:00 p.m.

104 W 4th St., Cunningham, KS 67035

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Agenda (AI)
- III. Guest Recognition
- IV. Approval of the minutes of the July 2, 2018 meeting (AI)
- V. Approval of financial reports and payment of bills (AI)
- VI. Reports
  - a. Superintendent report – Robert Reed
  - b. Special Ed report – Joyce Gridley
- VII. Old Business (AI)
- VIII. Executive Session Personnel
- IX. New Business (AI)
  - a. Budget review and hearing date.
  - b. Approve teacher negotiated agreement
  - c. Laptop lease
  - d. Approve positions
- X. Adjournment



## CATHOLIC Masses

St. Leo

Sunday, August 12, 2018  
10:00 a.m.

St. John's, Zenda

Sunday, August 12, 2018  
8:30 a.m.Sacred Heart,  
CunninghamSaturday, August 11, 2018  
5:30 p.m.

St. Peter's, Willowdale

Saturday, August 11, 2108  
4:00 p.m.Fr. Roger Lumbre  
620-243-5451  
620-298-2601  
620-246-5370CHURCH OF CHRIST  
PenalosaSunday Bible  
Class 10:00 a.m.Worship  
11:00 a.m.Afternoon Worship  
1:30 at Penalosa  
Community CenterMid-Week Bible Study  
Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.  
620-532-2684CHRISTIAN  
CunninghamSunday 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  
620-770-9507LUTHERAN  
St. John's  
NashvilleSunday School & Bible Class  
9:15 a.m.Worship Service  
10:30 a.m.Trinity  
Medicine LodgeMorning  
Worship 8:30 a.m.  
Sunday School & Bible Class  
9:45 a.m.  
620-656-7431Pastor 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  
620-298-2090UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH

## Zenda

101 N. Main  
Sunday Worship  
9 a.m.  
Sunday School:  
Children 8:30 a.m.  
Adult 10:00 a.m.  
(3rd Sunday of each  
month breakfast fellowship at: 8:30 a.m.)  
(United Methodist  
Women meet the 1st  
Tues. monthly: 6:30  
p.m.)  
Pastor Ken KeelingYEARS AGO IN  
*The Cunningham Clipper*

W. A. BRADLEY, EDITOR



## Hoagland Market

Dr. and Mrs. Ferd  
Burnett are driving a new  
1958 Cadillac DeVille.

## July 31, 1953

Corporal Robert Stillwell,  
son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob  
Stillwell of Cunningham,  
arrived home last week-  
end from his tour of Army  
duty in Korea.Showing Friday  
and Saturday at the  
Cunningham TheatreMaureen O'Hara  
and Alex Nicol in "The  
Redhead From Wyoming"

Sunday and Monday

Tyrone Power and  
Piper Laurie in "The  
Mississippi Gambler"

Wednesday and

Thursday

Robert Ryan and Mala  
Powers in "City Beneath  
the Sea"Mr. and Mrs. Don  
Schnittker of Nashville,announce the birth of a  
son last Saturday eve-  
ning in the Pratt County  
Hospital. He weighed  
eight pounds and ten  
ounces.Notice - "We print  
Anything But Dollar  
Bills" is the service mot-  
to of the Cunningham  
Clipper's job printingdepartment. Give us  
a trial... We strive to  
please. Phone 144 or 141,

Cunningham, Kansas

Shafter White Potatoes,

10 lb., 49c

California Carrots, 2 large

cello bags, 25c

Texas Tomatoes, lb. tube,

25c

Burnette's Red-Pitted

Cherries, No. 303 can,

25c

W o l c o F a n c y

Blackberries, No. 303

can, 25c

Shurfine Marshmallows,

large cello bag, 19c

Bartlett's Pacific Gold

Pears, No. 2 1/2 can, 29c

Hauser's Market

Zero Lockers

## Off the Record

The work for most

mothers is picking up.

When buying a canta-

loupe play blind,

And use your nose to

pick your find.

If the smell is kind of

mellow,

You've a ripe and tasty

fellow.

"What's his position?"

"He's the third assis-

tant guesser at the Wichita

Weather Bureau."

Propaganda is balo-  
ney disguised as food for

thought.

The only trouble is  
that when the country

does get back on its feet,

it will be on the taxpay-  
er's neck.July 30, 1948 - The  
Cunningham Juniors won  
two games this week by  
quite decisive scores.  
Thursday evening they  
defeated Cairo 35 to 1 and  
Wednesday evening they  
defeated Preston 22 to 6.The eleventh annual  
Pretty Prairie Rodeo is all  
set for action next week,  
August 3, 4, and 5.Mr. and Mrs. Roy  
McGeorge Jr. and Linda  
are enjoying a two week's  
vacation in Yellowstone  
Park, Wyoming.July 30, 1943 - John  
Cooley, son of Mr. and  
Mrs. Alf Cooley, who is  
stationed at Brooklyn,New York, in the Army  
Signal Corps, has been  
promoted to the rank of  
Technical Sergeant.Mrs. John Steffen  
has received word from  
her son Elmer, stationed  
with the Army forces  
in Hawaii, that he has  
now been promoted to  
the rank of Master  
Sergeant. Elmer is in the  
Quartermaster Corps.Staff Sergeant Richard  
Blasi, son of Mr. and Mrs.  
Leo Blasi, has been trans-  
ferred from the Army  
Airfield at Dalhart, Texas,  
to Pyote, Texas, where he  
will take advanced train-  
ing in radio.A large group of in-  
ductees left Kingman  
Sunday night for the  
induction center Fort  
Leavenworth.Out of the group are 3  
Cunningham boys, Jack  
Bradley, Bob Crow, and  
Austin Luce. Jack is in  
the Navy and leaves next  
Monday for the United  
States Naval Training  
Station at Farragut, Idaho.  
Austin and Bob were as-  
signed to the Army and  
will leave for service on  
August 17.

Here an' There

From Everywhere

A bee's stinger is one-  
thirty-second of an inch  
long. It won't help much,  
but the Ellis Review says

the other two feet is

imagination.

Sign on a roadside fill-  
ing station near Holyrood:

No beer sold here.

No near beer sold here.

No beer sold near here.

July 29, 1938 - Miss  
Elsie Crow, daughter of  
Mrs. E. C. Crow of this  
City, became the bride of  
Mr. Eula E. Witt, of Rago,  
in a simple but impres-  
sive ceremony performed  
at the Methodist church  
Wednesday evening at  
eight o'clock.The Cunningham  
Juniors, a softball team  
of boys under sixteen,  
annexed another victory  
from the Kingman team,  
24 to 3. Billy Bradley hit  
two home runs and Harrisconnected for a four-  
bagger for the victors.  
The game was called  
at the end of the fourth  
due to lack of scoring on  
Kingman's part.In the feature game,  
Cunningham-Skelly eked  
out a 9 to 8 victory over  
the St. Leo team. Both  
teams played very ragged  
ball.July 29, 1933 - A  
troupe of Boy Scouts  
are being re-organized in  
Cunningham this week by  
the Executive Committee.  
The troupe which was  
organized here a couple  
of years ago broke up  
and now they are getting  
together again.A number of them  
including Norman  
DeLair, Elmo Finch,  
Lee Washburn, Billie  
Morton, Ralph Baber,  
Dewey Cooley, Donald  
Milsap, Raymond Lash,  
and Delmar Huffman are  
spending this week end  
at the Carl Hart farm  
where they are receiving  
instructions in scouting  
and having a good time  
in general.The Executive  
Committee, composed  
of Rex Shelman, Harve  
Manahan, J. P. Wymer,  
Henry Gibbens, and  
Chas. Fee held a council  
Thursday and are getting  
the troupe back where  
they will work officially.  
Rev. W. E. Shuler will  
act as Scoutmaster to the  
newly organized troupe.It was announced  
this week that the Skelly  
Oil company had set the  
stakes for four more wells  
to be drilled immediately  
in the Cunningham Pool  
northwest of town.The annual fishing trip  
of the "Four Horsemen"  
was carried out over  
the last week end. The  
group, which includes J.  
C. Shelman, J. R. Amick,  
James Luce, and the  
writer, left early Friday  
morning for a trip to the  
Flint Hills to procure  
a number of the finney  
tribe. The group was  
joined by Harland Benson  
at Winfield, who was a  
guest this year. Leaving  
Winfield, we journeyed  
eastward for approximately  
70 or 80 miles to the  
Elk River. Here we  
set camp and started fish-  
ing. The river was low  
and we soon discovered  
that the stream was not  
running, hence the fish-  
ing was no good. We then  
broke camp and started  
for the Caney river near  
the state line to the south.  
This river proved to be  
too muddy to fish in so the  
camp was broken up and  
the caravan on the road  
once more. This time we  
stopped at Grouse Creek,  
where we found the best  
water of the trip. We  
caught a few fish here, but  
were forced to leave this  
place after a few hours  
fishing, due to the fact  
that we had to get home.The rivers and creeks of  
the Flint Hills country  
are practically all dry.  
Stockmen in that part of  
the country are having to  
haul water to their stock.The annual Maud  
Reunion and Picnic  
will be held one week  
from Sunday, August 6,  
at Hellar's Grove, the  
place of meeting last year.

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## YEARS AGO IN The Cunningham Clipper

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Everyone interested are cordially invited to attend, and come with well-filled baskets.

JoMar Butter, lb., 25c

Oleomargine, 2 lbs., 25c

Kraft's New Miracle

Whip Salad Dressing

½ pint, 10c

pint, 18c

quart, 30c

Fluffo Shortening, 4 lb.

box, 39c

Picnic Hams, lb. 12 ½c

Bacon, lb. 10c

Wetherall Bros.

Phone 24

Weiners, 3 lbs., 29c

Potatoes, why pay more?

Peck, 49c

Macaroni or Spaghetti,

box, 5c

Lettuce, large head, 10c

Tomatoes, fresh, 4 lbs.,

25c

Post Toasties, box, 10c

**Hauser's Cash Market**

Phone 28

Prof. Kimel and

Norman Harte, two pro-

fessional "plumb pick-

ers" are reported to have

picked five bushels of

plumbs Wednesday at

the Luther Walker farm.

We'll wager a penny that

they "canned" five bush-

els more while picking

the five bushels.

John Barkley, who re-

cently lost his house by

fire, has purchased the

H. H. Howell property

in the east part of town,

near the Farmers Elevator

company.

The Derby Service

Station is now being op-

erated by Harry Nossaman.

Mr. Nossaman has leased

his garage to "Shorty"

Rose who is now in charge

of the same. "Shorty" is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. S. Rose, living southwest of town. He has been known as a fine auto mechanic for a number of years and no doubt will find business good.

**August 2, 1928** – The Ninnescah river was one of the best attractions the fore part of the week while it was on a rampage. A rain of six and sixty-hundreds of an inch at Pratt Sunday night started things going. The rain covered most of Pratt county and as the Ninnescah drains most of Pratt county, it all tried to come down the river at once.

No particular damage has been reported done by the high water here, but at Pratt it filled many basements and washed out several bridges and roadways.

While the old-timers tell us that they have witnessed the river considerable higher, it would not have taken a great amount more of water to took out some of this bridges this distance from Pratt. Traffic was tied up here for almost 24 hours on the Turon to Cunningham road and about the same time on the Cannonball Highway – about 12 hours east of town three miles and then about 12 at Calista. Quite a little damage was done to the bridges near Calista.

It was a peculiar sight to see so much water coming down the river when the rain here was not enough to bring it up.

## Sunflower Spotlight:

### KU's Top 5 Individual Defensive Performances Since 2009

by Shawn Schaller

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Kansas won 19 games in the nine seasons since its last bowl appearance. However, Joe Dineen's stellar junior season offered a reminder that this near-decade of futility has featured a handful of impressive individual performances, particularly from defenders. Let's take a look at the 10 best.

**Honorable Mention A:** Here's a quick nod to several strong seasons that just missed. Darrell Stuckey (2009: 93 tackles, 3.5 for loss, one interception), Steven Johnson (2011: 124 tackles), Bradley McDougald (2012: 92 tackles, three interceptions), Isaiah Johnson (2013: 73 tackles, five interceptions)

**Honorable Mention B:** The 2014 defense feature several solid senior seasons. Ben Heeney (LB) tallied 127 tackles and 12 for a loss, Michael Reynolds (DE) had 7 sacks and 14.5 tackles for loss, and Cassius Sendish (S) had 69 tackles and broke up three passes. Dexter McDonald (CB) broke up 13 passes (two picks), but is probably best remembered for falling to the seventh round of the NFL draft despite pro day measurements of: 6'1"; 200 lb; 40.5" vertical leap; 11'2" broad jump; and 4.42-second 40-yard dash. This roller coaster season featured the best defense since 2008.

**5:** Jacorey Shepherd (2014, Sr, CB) was the true standout from the '14 defense. He earned first-team All-Big 12 honors after breaking up 19 passes (third nationally) including three picks. He and McDonald formed one of the more formi-

1: Joe Dineen (2017, Jr, LB) posted 137 tackles (93 solo), 2.5 sacks, two pass breakups, two quarterback hurries and a KU-record 25 tackles for loss in just 12 games for a stellar 2.1 average. He earned several All-Big 12 nods and even a second-team All-American spot from Sports Illustrated. Not bad for a hometown guy who's been a safety, a running back, and a medical redshirt recipient since 2014.

**2:** Fish Smithson (2016, Sr, S) was the biggest benefactor of Armstrong's pressure on opposing quarterbacks. He picked off four passes, batted down six more and, in Dineen's absence (medical redshirt), totaled 93 tackles including 2.5 for loss and two forced fumbles from the secondary.

**3:** Dorance Armstrong (2016, So, DE/OLB) had the most individual sacks (10) since 2008, tying him for third on KU's single-season sack list.

He added 56 tackles, including 20 for loss (KU's most since 2002), and three forced fumbles, albeit from a one-dimen-

sional role.

**4:** Daniel Wise (2017, Jr, DT) registered 53 tackles, 16 for loss and seven sacks last year from all three spots on the defensive line. Dineen will be the first to tell you that Wise's occupation of interior offensive linemen

had a lot to do with his stats. Most importantly,

the pair has a chance to repeat their success as seniors in 2018.

**5:** Love's Travel Stop to host Children's Miracle Network Events

The local Love's store will starting their annual benefit for The Children's Miracle Network. Activities being planned include: a volleyball tournament, a BBQ, bake sales, pancake breakfasts, a moonlight swim, and a week of rootbeer floats. If you'd like to help or have an idea for your organization to help, contact Tyler Harris at 298-2061

## Current (and On-Going) Fundraisers and Charitable Contributions in our Community

**Brunch at Hilltop Manor**  
**Sat , August 11th**  
**starting at 11:15ish**

**cost: school supply donation**

(Taylor 298-2781)

Coming soon:

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

**West Kingman County Education Foundation**

Use your Dillon's Card!

(Janet DeWeese 620-298-2717)

**Hands of Hope**

(contact Fitzsimmons Insurance or any church)

**Blessing Box**

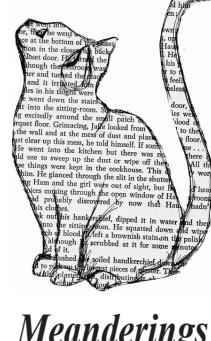
(United Methodist Church)

**Funds for Future Readers**

(Cunningham Public Library)

**4C Day Care and Schwans-care.com**

(Kathy Albers 620-298-2725 or 620-388-0774)



## Meanderings

Last week I started a column about two young Laotian friends I made in Winfield. Khamphou and Kam.

Khamphou was the young lady I met when I helped with the ESL program at a local elementary school, and Kam was a young man I worked with at Mel's Peerless Café and Bakery.

Kam was a hard worker. Very hard worker. He did anything you asked him to do. Sweep, mop, dice onions, he was great.

He rode a bike to work

and was always on time.

My boss told me he also worked at the hospital at night. He was saving up his money so he could sponsor his mother and his sister who were in a refugee camp in South Korea.

Kam was usually pleasant, but sometimes

you could see he was worried or tired. Maybe even in a "dark" mood.

His smile was always friendly; he was missing a tooth on the right side; I assumed it had been lost in a fight. Little did I know...

One day, I came to work, and Kam had quit.

He got a job during the day at the foundry or the

stone quarry or maybe Gott manufacturing.

It was job that was much harder work than working in a café and it paid more money.

And a search for a new dishwasher began. Not everyone who is hired works out. We tried three or four, and we'd given up hope of finding someone who had a good work ethic and was reliable.

I walked in one evening, about 6 weeks after Kam left, and there was a petit young lady, bent over the sink, scrubbing away at a stew pot. Her hair was dark and thick and tied in a knot on the back of her neck.

I shouted a "Hello" to everyone working, and the young lady turned around. And it was Khamphou! I started smiling and laughing.

And she drops the pan and runs to me "Bert! Bert!" and she grabs my arms and starts jumping up and down and laughing and shrieking.

"I am HAPPY to see you! Where have you been?"

I couldn't remember a time when I felt so missed.

So Khamphou and I were back together again. She was now in the 8th grade. When I asked her how that happened, as just last year she was in 5th grade, she said "I work hard. I learn English. I study." Obviously.

We spent some time together outside of work as well. She once invited me to her home for a meal. What an interesting time. We ate sitting on the floor. We used chopsticks, but they borrowed a fork from the neighbor in case I needed it. And I did. The

rice her mother cooked was the best I'd ever eaten. We also had chicken and it was tasty as well. There was a homemade candy for a sweet.

They used English as much as they could, but Khamphou or her sister often had to translate. They made me laugh and I so enjoyed the company. There were probably 15 people there. I was the minority in all my white American-ism. But I didn't feel uncomfortable, they were just such a nice family.

Khamphou told me a bit more about Kam.

She said the Communists came to his town and forced all the men and boys out of their houses. They told the women to stay inside. If they came out they would be shot.

Then the soldiers beat the men. Kam was beaten unconscious and woke to hear and see the other men and boys being shot. He laid like he was dead, trying not to breathe. They left him alone.

He lay in the dirt for hours. The women were afraid to come out of their homes to help.

When the night came, Kam crawled into the forest and managed to get to the river. He swam for two days. He was afraid to get out for fear he meet Communist soldiers. Sometimes the banks of the river were too overgrown or steep for him to climb. So he swam. And swam.

After two days and three nights he was picked up by some American soldiers. He was so ill he spent several weeks in a hospital. Then he was released into a refugee camp, and applied for asylum to the United States. And here he was.

I asked Khamphou how old Kam was now. She said it had been two years since he left his village, and now he was 16. That broke my heart.

I could not imagine going through that ordeal at such a young age. And working two jobs so his sister and mother could join him here.

I do wonder whatever became of him.

I took Khamphou to her first movie. Grease II. Not a great movie, but for a 16 year old girl who had never been to one, it was the best thing to happen to her.

I picked her up at her home, and she was about to bounce right out of the car as we drove the few blocks to the theater. I bought our tickets and popcorn and soda, and everything an American movie was meant to be. I can still hear her laughing and shrieking in her excitement. She did live that movie.

Khamphou graduated from high school when she was 19, and she was so proud. I didn't hear from her again after her graduation. I did see her father's obituary in the paper a couple of years after I moved here.

I hope her life has been good.

Always reading, and currently reading "The Complaints" by Ian Rankin, Roberta

## Community Bulletin Board

August 21st - 22nd  
Teacher In-Service

Moonlight  
Swim  
August 18  
8:00 p.m. -  
10:00 p.m.

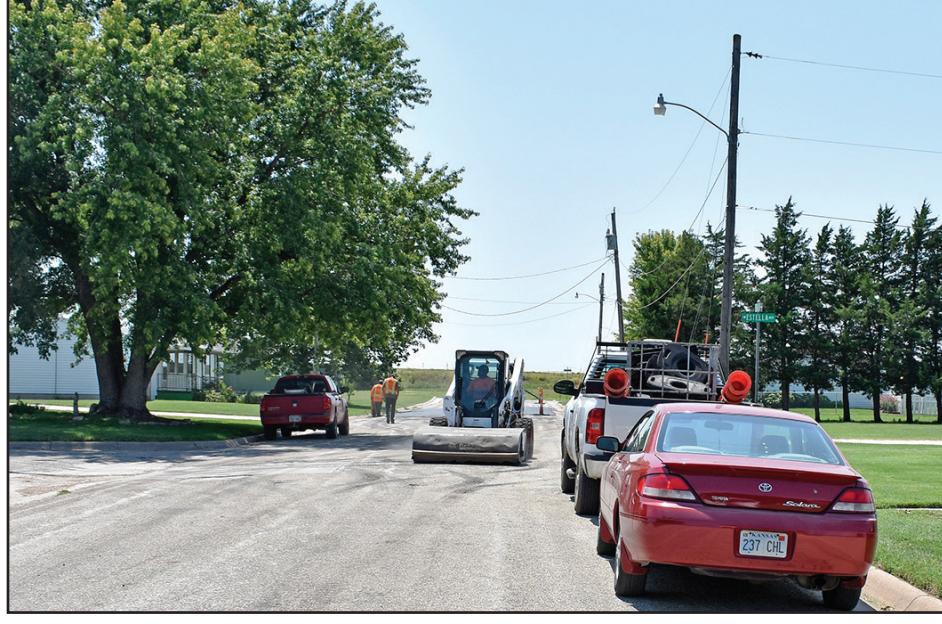
Sport  
Parent  
Meeting Aug.  
9th 6 p.m.

August 20th -  
Fall Sports  
Practice Starts

Women's  
Come & Go  
Coffee  
Two Palominos  
from 9 - 10 a.m.  
Wednesdays

August 23

## Cunningham...Maintaining and Building and other NEWS-ie Items



After a plea on Facebook for "friends" (and basically anyone I knew) to send me news, I didn't get any takers. I think I need new friends. Or more exciting ones. Not that I don't like them. I DO...a lot. I love my friends, but they are boring and can't seem to do anything news-worthy.

My news? No one really wants to hear about my Chloe's double-hernia surgery... did you know little girl dogs can get double hernias?

So, feeling abandoned by my friends, I went looking for my own bits of something to fill up the paper.

I found construction--all kinds of construction. Mainly road construction to maintain our streets, although there are some streets still in need of major care (oh, gracious, that Estella Street!) and some still need more work (such as Stadium) we are least moving in the right direction.

There are also new electric poles going up around town.

Skyland Grain appears to be getting ready to do some landscaping, I didn't talk to anyone to find out for sure, but, the detective I am, I saw the lot is full of little flags and much dirt; i.e. landscaping. Or maybe excavating for more fossils... If you haven't been in to see the one found last summer, you need to do that. Very interesting.

And then there is the new home being built across the street from the school.

We have such a nice little town. We really do. It is clean and sprucy and neat and growing and thriving. Everyone should have an opportunity to live in such a place.

## And News from our Academia



These are the zoo supplies that were donated by the citizens of our community.



## POOL Information

Admission \$2/person – all ages  
 Sunday 1-7  
 Monday 1-5 & 6-9 (\$1 evening admission)  
 Tuesday 1-7 (7-8 adult swim)  
 Wednesday 1-7  
 Thursday 1-7 (7-8 adult swim)  
 Friday 1-7  
 Saturday 1-7  
 Senior Swim 55+ Tues & Thurs 12:15-12:55 \$1 no passes

Sat. Aug. 18th MOONLIGHT SWIM 8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

\$1.00 admission. No passes.

Wed. Aug. 22nd 1 - 5

Thurs. Aug. 23rd CLOSED

Fri. Aug. 24th 5 - 8

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

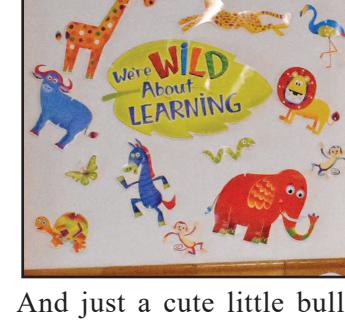
MOONLIGHT SWIM 8 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Benefit for Children's Miracle Network

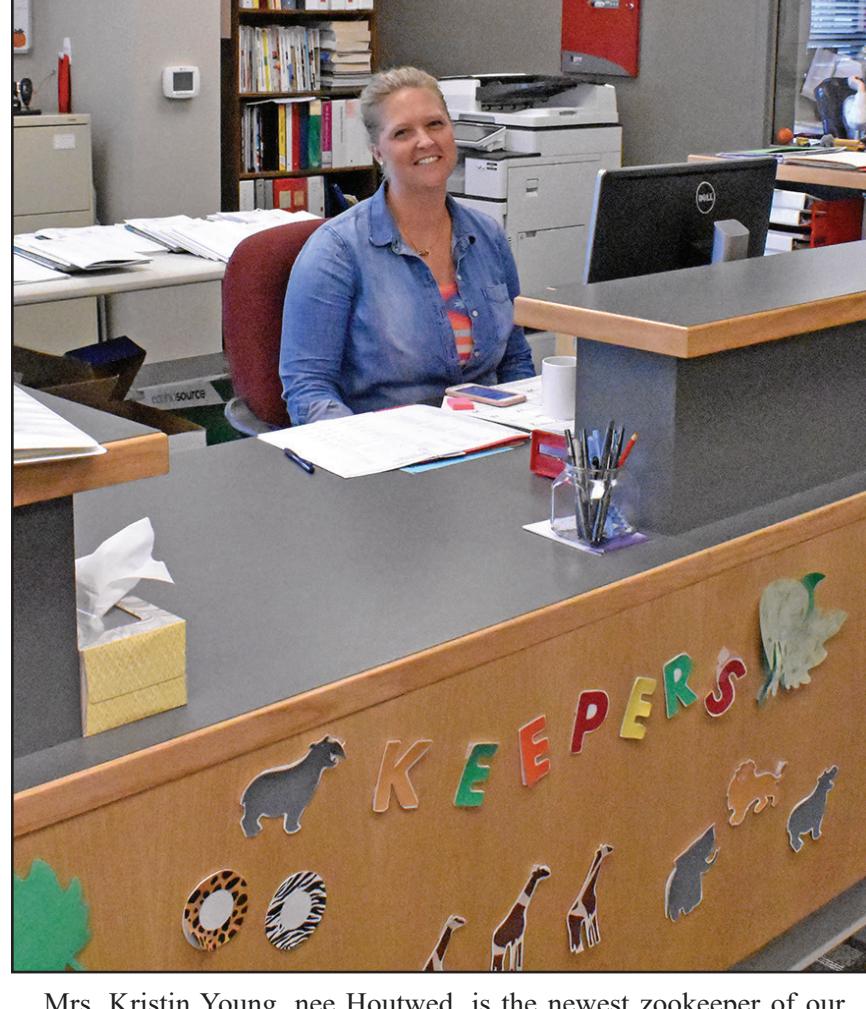
Mon, Sept 3rd 1 pm - 6 pm

There are still a few dates open for private parties

Call to book yours today: 298-4255 or contact Molly



And just a cute little bulletin board I saw at the school.



Mrs. Kristin Young, nee Houtwed, is the newest zookeeper of our academic jungle. All the little monkeys will be happy to help her have a year of fun and learning. Welcome to the school environment, Kristin!

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## Meeting of the County Commission

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on July 30th, 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 and Carol Voran.

Staff: Mark Schnittker; Cindy Chrisman-Smith, Health Nurse; Stan Goetz, HR/Planning/Zoning/Wastewater Director; Linda Langley, Internal Auditor; Becky Luntsford; Deputy Treasurer; Susan Hubbell, County Register of Deeds and Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director.

Chairman Steffen called the regular Board of County Commissioners to order at 8:00 a.m.

Chairman Steffen would like to add LEC RFP information to the agenda.

Commissioner Foley would like to add Recycle information. MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the agenda with the addition of LEC RFP information and Recycle information. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Steffen asked if there was any public comment.

Larry Landwehr let the Commissioners know that he went to the hospital meeting about the USDA loan and asked information about the interest rate and could not get an answer on what the interest rate is currently and what it will be with the USDA loan.

Carol Voran discussed that everyone needs to be

truthful and forthcoming. MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the minutes of the July 23rd, 2018 Commission Meeting. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

The County Commissioners signed Road & Bridge Vouchers in the amount of \$253,054.52.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the insurance settlement with a County damage claim. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Commissioner Foley let the Board know that he received a call from Nisley and they will offer for \$10.00 a month and will pick up once a month for homeowners out in the County.

Mark Schnittker, Courthouse Maintenance and Susan Hubbell, Register of Deeds were in to discuss water damage that she is having in her office due to the air conditioner. Ms. Hubbell let the Commissioners know that she has had damages to the floor, vault door and paper supplies.

Ms. Hubbell let the Commissioners know that when the power goes off it effects the breaker box in her office.

The Commissioners instructed Mr. Schnittker and Ms. Hubbell to call insurance. Also, they would like for Mr. Schnittker to get the breaker boxes fixed.

Mr. Schnittker discussed the ditch east of the Courthouse and that it needs to be cleaned out to allow drainage.

Commissioner Henning let Mr. Schnittker know that he would talk with the City.

Mr. Schnittker let the Commissioners know that the window document for RFP is ready

but there had been a few changes in the document.

Commissioners would like to know what the exact changes were made before continuing so Mr. Caton will review and get back with the Board of County Commissioners.

Stan Goetz submitted the following building permits to the Commissioners:

1. Don Brittain for a cabin in the NW4 SW4 of Section 26, Township 28, Range 05W.

2. Joshua & Carrie Knee for a house in Section 22, Township 29, Range 09W.

3. Kaleb Howell for a house addition in Section 24, Township 27, Range 05W.

Mr. Goetz let the Commissioners know that he has been talking with a landowner about compliance and hasn't gotten to far.

Mr. Goetz let the Commissioners know that August 8th, 2018 The Department of Labor will be in to audit the facility buildings.

Mr. Goetz let the Commissioners know that August 6th, 2018 Rich Nerzig, Sempra and Trish Voth, Attorney will be in to talk with the Commissioners.

Mr. Goetz let the Commissioners know that August 15th, 2018 will be the kickoff meeting for 2019 BC/BS.

Todd Lawson, Field Appraiser and Richard Batchellor, County Appraiser were in with an NRP Extension request for Billy Wood.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve the NRP Extension request for Billy Wood.

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

Cindy Chrisman-Smith, Health Nurse and Linda Langley, Internal Auditor were in to discuss the business agreement for the VaxCare

nations are needed now, especially type O.

In thanks for helping at this urgent time, all those who come to donate blood or platelets July 30 through Aug. 30, 2018, will receive a \$5 Amazon.com Gift Card via email. (Restrictions apply; see amazon.com/gc-legal. More information and details are available at RedCrossBlood.org/Together.)

Make an appointment to donate blood by downloading the free American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-

733-2767). Those who donated blood earlier this summer may be eligible to give again. Blood can be safely given every 56 days, and Power Red donations can be given every 16 weeks.

Upcoming blood donation opportunities Aug. 16-31

**Sharon**

8/16/2018: 11:30

a.m. - 6:30 p.m., Knights

of Columbus, 105 S

Broadway

**Great Bend**

8/16/2018: 9:30 a.m. -

3:30 p.m., CUNA Mutual

Retirement Solutions,

1809 24th St.

**Kingman**

8/23/2018: 9 a.m. -

3 p.m., Kingman

Community Hospital,

750 W. Ave. D

**Hutchinson**

8/27/2018: 9 a.m. -

3 p.m., VFW Post 3111,

504 Washington St

**Stafford**

8/27/2018: 9 a.m. -

3 p.m., Stafford High

School, 430 E. Broadway

**Shelbyville**

8/27/2018: 9 a.m. -

3 p.m., Shelbyville

Community Center, 100 N

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**Stevens Point**

8/27/2018: 9 a.m. -

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Effective November 6, 2014: Display ads are \$6.00 per column inch, \$5.00 if paid in advance or under an established account. Front page box ads are \$12.00 per column inch. All ads are subject to approval of this paper, which reserves the right to edit, reject, or properly classify any ad. Note: The views and opinions expressed in advertisements in The Cunningham Courier do not necessarily represent the views and opinions of the Courier or staff. Errors will be corrected when brought to our attention. Call for color rates.

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DEADLINES: 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, for advertisements, society news, and school news.

### Public Notice

(First published in the Cunningham Courier, Thursday, August 2, 2018) 3t

IN THE THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

EDWIN H. SIMON, Deceased.

CASE NO. 2018 PR 23

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

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on July 25, 2018, a Petition for Probate of Will and Issuance of Letters Testamentary was filed in this Court by Ruth Ann Simon, surviving spouse and heir.

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.

Ruth Ann Simon, Petitioner

Matthew W. Ricke  
Ricke Law Office  
349 N. Main, PO Box 113  
Kingman, KS 67068  
Attorney for Petitioner

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Saturday : 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### Zenda Public Library

Hours

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Thursday .

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### Public Notice

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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

Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. §1692c(b), no information concerning the collection of this debt may be given without the prior consent of the consumer given directly to the debt collector or the express permission of a court of competent jurisdiction. The debt collector is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Prepared By:

SouthLaw, P.C.

## Celebrations of Life

### Walter Hubert Steffan

Our beloved Brother and Uncle, Walter Hubert Steffan, passed away unexpectedly on July 15, 2018 in Wichita, Kansas at the age of 82.

Walt was born to Clarence and Regina Steffan on September 25, 1935 in Nashville, Kansas. He attended St. Leo Grade School, Nashville High School, and the University of Kansas. In 1966 he married Vicki Kilcoyne.

After graduation from KU, Walt worked as an IT specialist for a number of companies in the Wichita area including Cessna, and Boeing. He had a lifelong fascination with airplanes and the aircraft industry, and, in retirement volunteered at the Kansas Aviation Museum.

Walt was predeceased by his parents, Clarence and Regina and his brother-in-law Walter Wegner. He is survived by sisters Ruth Dicke (Gary), Dallas, TX, and Clara Steffan, Moraga, CA; nieces Steffanie Keefer (Brian), Tulsa, OK, and Karen Dicke, New Orleans, LA; grand niece Lauren Keefer, Houston, TX; and grand nephew Mark Keefer, Tulsa, OK.

Walt will be sorely missed by his family and remembered for his remarkable intelligence, lifelong love of learning, and encyclopedic memory; and his empathy, gentleness, and kindness.

Interment was in the St. Leo Church cemetery on Saturday, August 4 at 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Kansas Aviation Museum or the charity of your choice.

### William "Don" Rose

CULLISON, KANSAS — William Donald Rose "Don", 85, went to be with the Lord Sunday, August 5, 2018 due to a sudden illness. He was born in Pratt Co. to Clarence and Estherlea (Hall) Rose on March 9, 1933.

After graduation he joined the Navy on March 20, 1953.

On October 31, 1954, he married Frances Witham in Ottawa. From this union they had 5 children, Dave (Debra Courtney), Mike, Kathy, Janice (Glen) Palmer and Carolyn (Randy) Golden.

He had an active military career with Navy Aviation spanning 22 years, including helping retrieve several Apollo capsules and crews including the Apollo 13 astronauts and retiring in 1974.

After retirement he moved back to Pratt Co. area and joined his uncle, Marion, as a custom harvester. The following year he bought Marion out and started Rose Harvesting with his sons.

In 1991, Randy Golden joined in and Don retired in 1993 but continued to be in the agriculture field selling DeKalb seed and working for Merle Rose for many years.

The family moved to Cullison, Kansas in 1977. Don became part of the city council and then active mayor for over 30 years.

On July 18, 2012 he married Donna Rose. She survives. He had 22 combined grandchildren and 5 combined great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by daughter, Kathy; wife, Frances; parents, brothers, Carl and Harold Rose; and sisters, Adarae Barnes and Annamae Baldwin.

Visitation will be held Thursday from 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Larrison Mortuary, 300 Country Club Rd, Pratt. Funeral service will be at 2:00 p.m., Friday, August 10, 2018 with John Hamm presiding at Larrison Mortuary. Burial with Navy honors will follow at Greenlawn Cemetery, Pratt.

Memorials may be made to American Red Cross in care of Larrison Mortuary. Online condolences may be made at [www.larrisonmortuary.com](http://www.larrisonmortuary.com).



### Cunningham Public Library

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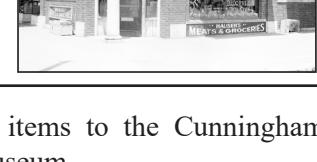
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Tues., Thurs., Sat.: 9:30 - 11:30

Anytime:

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To Donate or Loan items to the Cunningham Museum,  
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## Red Cross

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and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

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About the American Red Cross

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit [RedCross.org](http://RedCross.org) or [CruzRojaAmericana.org](http://CruzRojaAmericana.org), or visit us on Twitter at [@RedCross](http://@RedCross).



Check the Blessing Box east of the Methodist Church. Anyone can give to or take from the Blessing Box at any time.

## Spotlight Pages starting in September

Dear Readers,

I would like to continue the tradition of the activity spotlight pages in the Cunningham Courier that Dave and Kerri instituted several years ago. I feel it gives a special emphasis to our school and the young people, teachers, coaches and support staff who make it the fine place it is.

I believe seven spot-

light pages would cover

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## College News

### Derek Schnittker Graduates from Washburn Law

Washburn University School of Law held commencement Saturday May 12, 2018 in Topeka at Lee Arena. Derek Schnittker was a member of the graduating class of 2018. Schnittker graduated from Hugoton High School in May 2010 and was a May 2014 graduate of Kansas State Version with a degree in Criminology and minor in Spanish. He is currently stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas as a member of the Topeka based Army National Guard 1-108th Aviation Battalion preparing for deployment to Kuwait. Derek is the son of Will & Thea Schnittker of Hugoton.

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