

CATHOLIC Masses

St. Leo

Sunday, January 26, 2020
10:00 a.m.

St. John's, Zenda

Sunday, January 26, 2020
8:30 a.m.

Sacred Heart, Cunningham

Saturday, January 25, 2020
5:30 p.m.

St. Peter's, Willowdale

Saturday, January 25, 2020
4:00 p.m.

Fr. Roger Lumbré
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.

Community Center

620-532-2684

CHRISTIAN Cunningham

Sunday School
9:30 a.m.

Worship
10:45 a.m.

Bible Study
6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Pastor Mike McGovney
620-298-3201
620-770-9507

LUTHERAN St. John's Nashville

Worship Service
10:30 a.m.

Sunday School & Bible Class
9:15 a.m.

Trinity Medicine Lodge

Sunday School & Bible Class
9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship
8:30 a.m.
620-656-7431

Pastor Dennis Fangmeyer
620-246-5220
Cell: 620-886-0911

UNITED METHODIST Penalosa

Worship
9:15 a.m.

Cunningham

Sunday School
9:45 a.m.
Worship 10:45 a.m.

Pastor Katelyn Zoglmann
620-298-2090
Office Hours:
Tuesdays:
9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Zenda

101 N. Main
Sunday Worship
9 a.m.
Sunday School:
Children 8:30 a.m.
Adult 10:00 a.m.

(3rd Sunday of each month breakfast fellowship at: 8:30 a.m.)
(United Methodist Women meet the 1st Tues. monthly: 6:30 p.m.)
Pastor Ken Keeling

Community Bulletin Board

Thursday, January 23rd
JH BB vs. Fairfield
at home

Wednesday,
January 29th
8:30 a.m.

Division B Spelling Bee

Thursday, January 23rd
HS HOPL Scholar's Bowl at Attica

Wednesday,
January 29th
10:00 a.m.

Division A Spelling Bee

Saturday, January 25th
HS BB Boys 54
Classic at Skyline

Wednesday,
January 29th
7:00 p.m.

Book Club

Monday, January 27
HS HOPL Scholars' Bowl at Fairfield

"To the Stars Through Difficulty" by Romalyn Tilghman
Martha Hellar hostess

Monday, January 27th
HS BB Girls
54 Classic at Home

Thursday, January 30th
HS BB Girls
54 Classic at Home

Tuesday, January 28th
HS BB Boys
54 Classic at Skyline

Friday, January 31
HS BB Boys
54 Classic at Home



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Free Throwback Thursday Movie January 23rd

Grownups

Rated PG - 13
Showtime is 6:30 p.m.
Sponsored by Eck S Services

January 24th - 26th Doolittle

Rated PG
Showtimes are Friday and Saturday
at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 5:30 p.m.

Library Recycling!

Please keep batteries, CDs/CD cases, ink pens and markers out of the landfill. Bring those unwanted items to Cunningham Public Library to be recycled. The program will continue until the zero waste boxes are full.

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Cunningham Public Library

4C Day Care Shop [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com)
(Kathy Albers 620-298-2725 or 620-388-0774)

West Kingman County Education Foundation

Use your Dillon's Card! Shop [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com)
(Janet DeWeese 620-298-2717)

Hands of Hope (contact Fitzsimmons Insurance or any church)

Cunningham Schools Box Tops for Education

Cunningham Alumni Scholarship Fund

(send checks to the West Kingman County Education Foundation)

Community Center (leave donation at the bank)

Lions' Club (leave your old eyeglasses at the bank)

Cunningham Museum (to donate contact Donna Glenn)

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YEARS AGO IN

The Cunningham Clipper

William E. Bradley, Editor

1970

January 22- Attica won the annual Golden Plains Basketball Tournament for the second straight year, defeating Hardtner in the finals, 54 to 39. Nashville-Zenda won third place, whipping Norwich, 52 to 43.

Mrs. Sylvester Lindemann is the new substitute postal clerk at the Cunningham Post Office, succeeding Mrs. Lee DeWeese, who has moved to Great Bend.

Mrs. Pearl Walker was hostess to the Past Matrons Club in her home, Monday evening, when the members enjoyed a delicious dinner and an evening playing Samba.

The Christian Women's Society met in the home of Mrs. Dwayne Elliott last Thursday afternoon, with Mrs. Emil Dostal as co-hostess.

Ed's Antiques, Zenda, Kansas is Now Open. Clocks, Phonographs, and Other Antique Items. Want to buy old phonographs, complete or parts, also cylinder or disc records.

2 blocks north of Highway 42
Zenda, Kansas;
Sundays 1 - 5
adv.

1965

January 21- The J. B. Houston and Son Lumber Company, Inc., announced the sale of their five lumber yards, located in Cunningham, Kingman, El Dorado, Clearwater, and Lyons, to the Antrim Lumber Company last Saturday.

Cunningham manager Robert Wegerer said this week that details of the transaction were still being worked out, and the "take off" date announced soon.

Sylvia used an effective stall during the last three minutes and 51 seconds to win a ding-dong battle from Cunningham last Friday night in a game played at Sylvia. The score was 65 to 63 when Sylvia went into their "stall game," and that was the score when the game ended.

The game, matching to of the better teams in this area of the state, was as fine a high school basketball game as was ever witnessed by the capacity crowd. Cunningham jumped off to an early lead, but both teams poured points through the goals to run up a 42-36 half-time score with Cunningham ahead. Sylvia came back in the third period with 24 points to gain a 60-57 advantage at the end of the third quarter.

*Thanks for recycling
The Courier on
January 27th*



Gerry Schnittker paced the Wildcat scoring with 25 points; Elmer Adelhardt had 17; Jim Cain 12; Ron Murphey 7; and Danny Meyers 2.

For Sale - Dryers. Three temperature selections for every drying need. January White Sale special, \$159.95 at B & H Electric.

Cunningham IGA
Good Value Sliced or Crushed Pineapple, 4 big 20-oz. cans, \$1
IGA All Green Cut Asparagus, 300 can, 25¢
8-oz. can, 11¢
Bar-S Vienna Sausage, 5 4-oz. cans, \$1
Bar-S Chili with beans, 3 15-oz. cans, 79¢
Gold Medal Flour, 5-lb. bag, 59¢
Fleming's Coffee, all grinds, 1-lb. can, 79¢
Morton's Apple, Cherry, Peach, Pumpkin, or Mince Meat Pies, each 29¢
TV Sliced Strawberries, 4 10-oz. pkgs., \$1
TV Orange Juice, 5 6-oz. cans, \$1
SnoPeak Corn, Mixed Vegetables, Peas, 1 1/2 lb. pkg., 29¢
Fryers, lb. 29¢
Winchester Fully Cooked Shank Half Ham, lb. 49¢
Break of Day Sliced Bacon, 1-lb. pkg., 49¢
Texas Ruby Red Grapefruit, 20 for 98¢
Texas Juice Oranges, 20 for 69¢
Emporer Grapes, 2 lbs. 29¢

1960

January 21 - Cunningham won their fifth basketball game of the regular season's schedule here, Tuesday night, tromping Sylvia 53 to 42.

Duane Wegerer hit 21 points to pace the Wildcat scoring attack. Marshall Swander scored seven corner base-line shots for 14 points.

Kingman County ranked 11th among Kansas counties in oil and gas well drilling in 1959.

A tabulation published this week by the Independent Oil and Gas Service showed the county had 130 drilling operations during the past year. Marion County was first with 260 of the 3,974 wells drilled in Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Schnittker of Nashville, announce the birth of a son, Friday, Jan. 15, at the Pratt County Hospital.

He weighed nine pounds, four ounces, and has been named Donald William. *editor's note:* I hope you had a happy birthday, Will!

The first snow storm of the 1959-1960 winter season struck this area and almost the entire state, Saturday night and

Sunday morning.

Upwards to seven inches of snow was reported throughout Kingman County.

1955

January 20 - Boy Scout Troop No. 359 of Cunningham held a Court of Honor for the presentation of a number of awards at the Lodge Hall, Wednesday evening.

Rev. C. E. McDonald gave a short talk on the meaning of Scouting to the boys and the community-at-large, after which Scoutmaster James Luce presented Tenderfoot badges to Rex Ratcliff, Robert Jones, Gary Rochell Jr., Gary Phillips, Jerry Huffman, Marvin Ewing, and Darrel Cooley, and Scout Troop Chairman Evan Thornhill presented Second Class Scout Badges to Joe Baber and Alvin Kinsall.

Scouter Francis Dafforn gave a short talk on the requirements of attaining the rank of First Class Scout, after which he presented Dallas Thornhill with the Badge of a First Class Scout.

Scoutmaster Luce also presented Jack Baber with four Merit Badges, which brings him one Merit Badge short of receiving the rank of a Star Scout.

Service Awards were made to Gary Raney, Bill Murphey, Jack Baber, Dallas Thornhill, Joe Baber, D. B. Miller, Joe Raney, and Alvin Kinsall.

Our Men in Service

Now serving with the Far East Command Headquarters in Japan is Lieutenant Colonel Leo Thieme, 37, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Thieme of St. Leo.

Private Wayne Oak, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Oak of Penalosa, recently arrived in Okinawa and will be stationed at Fort Buckner as a member of the United States Army Engineers Corps.

Practically the entire state is under a thin blanket of snow, including Cunningham and the surrounding community, where about two inches of snow has fallen since Monday night.

Spotty ice conditions prevail on Highway 54, although north-south roads are reported to be free of packed snow.

Only one accident was reported in this immediate vicinity, and it occurred Tuesday on Highway 54 near town, and involved a Buick and a Chevrolet. Both cars were from out-of-town, and damage was reported to be of a minor nature.

The Benefit Card Party held in the Lodge Hall last Friday evening, realized over \$60.00 for the March of Dimes Campaign. The party was sponsored by the Better Homes and Gardens Club.

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Museum Hours

During the winter months look for Donna's red car or her golf cart in front of the museum. OR you can call her at 620-388-5602

YEARS AGO IN

The Cunningham Clipper

William E. Bradley, Editor
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1950

January 20 - Two Cunningham girls became engaged this week - Eileen Whitmore to Jack Durall of Coats, and Neva Joyce Rose to Floyd White of Pratt.

Eileen is the daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Seth Whitmore of Cunningham. Jack is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Durall of Coats. Neva is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Rose of Cunningham. Floyd is the son of Mrs. W. G. White of Lewis.

The Coats Bulldogs lived up to their name for the first 16 minutes of an inter-county basketball game here Tuesday night with the Cunningham Wildcats, but in the second half the Wildcats made puppies out of the Bulldogs and won the game 42 to 24. Coats had a 14 to 13 lead at the half.

Urban connected for 14 points to take scoring honors, Huffman contributed 10, and Kincheloe 9 points to the Wildcat cause.

- Cozy Cafe
Open 6:00 A.M.
Serving Three Meals Daily
Fish Every Friday
Waffles and Hot Cakes
Served Anytime
- Cunningham Theatre
Show Starts
at 7:30 P.M.
Friday and Saturday
Wayne Morris and
Janis Page in
“The Younger
Brothers”
Sunday and Monday
Susan Hayward and
Robert Preston

in “Tulsa”
Wednesday and
Thursday
Dorothy Lamour,
Sterling Wayden and Dan
Duryea in
“Manhandled”
Cartoon Every Night

- Hauser's Market
A. G. Oleo, white, lb.
25¢
A. G. Oleo, colored
qtrs., lb., 39¢
Cudahy's Lard, 4-lb.
pail, 69¢
Home Cured Bacon,
sliced or chunk lb. 35¢
Pork Chops, center
cuts, lb. 45¢
Swiss Steak, lb. 55¢
Home Made Pork
Sausage, lb. 39¢
Cudahy's Chili, stick,
lb. 49¢
Swift's Bacon, Oriole,
sliced, lb. 45¢
Zero Lockers
- Turon Theatre
Friday and Saturday
Jeffery Lynn and Jane
Wyman in
“Kid Nightingale”
Sunday, Monday,
Tuesday
Marx Bros. in “At the
Circus”

1940

January 19 - The Cunningham high school basketball team won their eighth and ninth straight games last week. Last Friday night, the locals smothered Adams, 63 to 16. Schwartz was the bright and shining light, making 24 points.

Tuesday night, the team won from Zenda, 21 to 19, in an overtime game there. Cunningham tied the score at the end of the regular playing time after Zenda had forged ahead earlier in the game. A pass from Luce to Schwartz ended in a bucket and the game ended.

The “front line,” Schwartz, Luce, and Huhman, made 8 points, 6 points, and 6 points, to tuck away their 9th league win against no losses.

The Ninnescah Study Club met Friday, Jan.

9, at the home of Mrs. Ed Canaday. A luncheon was served at noon. Mesdames Glenn Patton and Roy McGeorge gave topics on the calendar, and Mrs. Glenn Pearson and Mrs. Guy Remy gave topics on clocks. A business meeting was held in the afternoon.

- Hauser's Market
Bliss Coffee, 2 lb. can,
39¢
Tomato Soup, Pork &
Beans, Kraut, Spaghetti,
Can Tall Boys, 10¢
Potatoes, Red McClures,
peck 29¢
Oranges, real large 100
size, dozen 39¢
Del Monte Brand, Can
Corn-on-Cob, 15¢
Crystal White Laundry
Soap, 5 giant bars, 16¢
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1935

January 18 - Mr. C. E. Wetherall purchased a new Plymouth coach from the Dafforn Motor company Tuesday of this week. It sure is a fine looking car.

Get your good Chili and Hamburgers at the Street Car Cafe, open All Night.

- The Dramatic Club announces their next play, “Creeping Shadows,” a mystery play by Harrison. The proceeds from these plays are divided equally among the three churches. Date is January 21st, at the High School auditorium. Eight o'clock P.M.
Cast of Characters
Mr. Perkins Ora
Anderson
Major Coleman.... Chas.
Fee
- Wetherall Brothers
A Home Owned Store
Sliced Parsnips, No. 2
can, 19¢
Post Toasties, Kellogg
Bran Flakes, Post Bran,
package, 10¢
Strawberry Preserves,
Mon-Tro Brand, one-
pound jar, 30¢
Mon-Tro Spinach, No.
2 can, 20¢
Hi-Up Tender June
Peas, No. 2 cans, two
cans, 35¢
Large Size Prunes,
Extra Fancy Grade,
pound 20¢
No 2 Can Pumpkin,
High-Up, 15¢
Chest-O-Silver Oats,
large pkg., 35¢
Choice, Tender, Tasty
Meats
Fresh Choice Fruits
and Garden
Vegetables

Dr. Walker Dr. D. E. Thompson
Tim Ryan Roman Young
George Jim Luce
Mr. Howard Prof. Richard
Mrs. Hatfield .. Mrs. F. F. Allbritten
Mrs. Walker Mrs. Jerry Gates
Lettie Hatfield ... Mrs. Glenn Patton

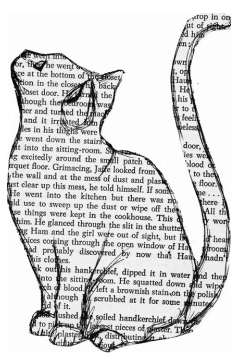
Special numbers between acts
Admission 25¢ 15¢ 10¢

1930

January 17 - The temperature went down, down, down Wednesday night and Mason Wetherall says his thermometer registered 8 below zero, while Gordon Talbott is of the opinion that his reached 12 degrees below zero. Anyway we believe that it was plenty cold for everybody.

Charles Lakin and W. T. Cannon drove to Stafford, Kansas, Wednesday to witness the state checker tournament players play checkers.

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Meanderings

I will read just about anything. I prefer stories that are well-written and have strong plots and strong characters.

That being stated, I recently finished a book “Boy21” by Matthew Quick. If you need a book recommendation for a high schooler, or even a middle school reader, I would give them this little treasure. Told in first person by Finley McManus (‘White Rabbit’ to his teammates because he is the only white player on the school basketball team), he tells of his love of basketball, his father and grandfather, and his girlfriend, Erin. His world is turned upside down when he is asked to help a new student (Boy21) adjust to life in school and outside of school. ‘Boy21’s real name is Russell Allen. He is the top high school basketball player in the country....except he’s taken a bit of a mental dive after his parents were murdered.

Here’s an excerpt:
"And then it happens. With no one on him, Boy21 pulls up for what amounts to a half-court shot. As the ball arcs through the air, time slows down in my mind, like in a movie – I can see everything at once: the collective shock of my teammates, the expression on the fans’ faces, the mocking smiles of the opposing team.....

But then the ball goes in – *swish* – and the crowd goes wild.

Boy21’s face changes. His eyes narrow. His lips tighten. His body loosens up. He slaps the floor with his palms, gets into a low defensive stance, and waits for his man to reach to him. When Pennsville’s point guard crosses half-court, Boy21 guards him tightly and then steals the ball with ease.

He dribbles four times and then takes off at the foul line, spreads his legs, and soars.

Hanging there in the air, he looks like the famous Michael Jordan silhouette.

The entire gym rises up in anticipation and Boy21 dunks the ball with resounding authority.

If we didn’t have breakaway rims, the backboard would have shattered into a million pieces.

When the game resumes, Boy 21 dominates. He hits three pointers. He pulls rebounds. Runs fast breaks. Dunks the ball. Blocks shots. Accrues steals." The short sentences,

the short paragraphs, the bare bones language gives this part of the book the tension of a basketball game to be won. Excellent writing.

There are many secrets in this story. Secrets that would be better for the characters if they were voiced; but then there’d be no story; no book to read. I loved the ending. It wasn’t perfect. But it fit the story. The last 10 pages had me crying. And no one even dies. It was just a memorable book.

Here is the bio from his web page:

Matthew Quick is the New York Times bestselling author of The Silver Linings Playbook, which was made into an Oscar-winning film. He has also written The Good Luck Right Now; Love May Fail; The Reason You're Alive.

His novels for young adults are: Sorta Like a Rock Star; Forgive Me, Leonard Peacock; and Every Exquisite Thing.

His work has been translated into more than thirty languages. He has received a PEN/ Hemingway Award Honorable Mention, was an LA Times Book Prize finalist, a New York Times Book Review Editors’ Choice, a #1 bestseller in Brazil, a Deutscher Jugendliteratur Preis 2016 (German Youth Literature Prize) nominee, and selected by Nancy Pearl as one of Summer’s Best Books for NPR. The Hollywood Reporter has named him one of Hollywood’s 25 Most Powerful Authors. All of his books have been optioned for film.

You can learn more about Mr. Quick on his webpage: matthewquickwriter.com

I have not read any of these other books, but I read the synopsis and the reviews and I think I will probably read a couple of his other YA books; or at least I will be ordering them and putting them on my “to be read in this lifetime, I hope” bookshelf.

Always reading, and currently reading, "In a Strange City" by Laura Lippman, Roberta

“Someday an opportunity will come. Think about Harry Potter. His life is terrible, but then a letter arrives, he gets on a train, and everything is different for him afterward. Better. Magical." "That's just a story." "So are we- we're stories too.”

— *Matthew Quick, Boy21*

“Remember that not getting what you want is sometimes a wonderful stroke of luck.”

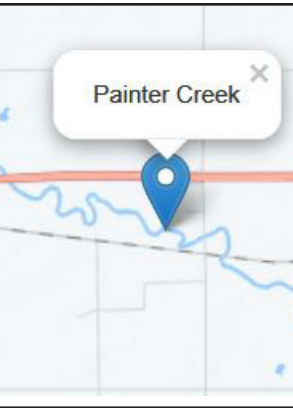
— *Matthew Quick, The Good Luck of Right Now*

“There are no guarantees when it comes to such treacherous things as friendship. It’s a tricky business.”

— *Matthew Quick, Every Exquisite Thing*

A Correction... Sort Of... But Not Really

by the editor-in-chief
The map shown here was one I placed in the paper last week to aid readers in placing Painter’s Creek, one of the small tributaries mentioned in Alan’s column “What About History”. Someone brought it to my attention that the little pointer is situated on the Ninnescah River.



I did get the map from homelocator.com, and it bothered me that this information wasn’t accurate, because everything

on the internet is correct, right? It is aaaalllll true.

I dug through several pages of interesting books at various sources (on-line, of course): The Kansas Historical Society, The Library of Congress, map this, map that. I could find no mention of Painter Creek in the old plat books. I found a Panther Creek. I found a Morisse Creek, a Klein Creek, a Goose Creek, Skunk Creek, Sand Creek... those are just a few of what the maps designated as creeks.

I found the map of Kingman County before there was a Cunningham. Ninnescah is the town at that time – 1887. Well, we know a year later, Ninnescah was gone. While I was there on the map of 1887, I took a “drive” about Kingman County. Hmmm.

I saw the town of

Maud, it was pretty small. Penalosa was there, and Calista looked to be a nice-sized community. Rago and Spivey (Spivy on the map), Norwich and Belmont, Cleveland and Waterloo, and, of course, Kingman.

Then I found a few names that I wasn’t sure I was familiar with: I am assuming “Peters” is now Willowdale as in “St. Peter’s Catholic Church”? And what was once Rochester is now Nashville? And Bross is it now St. Leo?

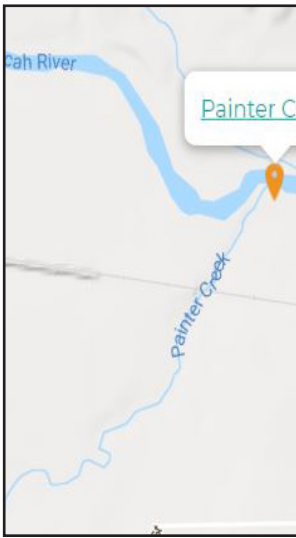
I was way too distracted by all the information on these maps. The names of homesteaders and the creeks and following the rail lines and the roads and...

History is a fascinating subject.

Wait. I forgot where I was going with this. I did finally find a map of

the area that was designated “Painter’s Creek”. I enlarged it many times over, and the map is, indeed, correct. The little pointer marks the end of the Painter’s – where it meets the Ninnescah River to flow on its way to the Mississippi via the Arkansas River.

Maps, too are a fascinating subject.



Libraries			
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It Would Have Taken Just One More Shot..

by Coach Lance McGuire

Thursday’s game vs Attica was a reminder that the best team does not always win. With all due respect to Attica, we beat ourselves. We typically play with energy on defense and shoot well on offense, neither of which happened Thursday. It was a very slow paced game that ended too quickly for us to scrape together another 2 points. We held their team to 16 points and their best player to 2 points. We shot twice as many free throws and they missed all of theirs. Statistically that almost always means a win. However, our lead scorer for the game had just 6 points and we had 15 points overall. We shot more times than our opponent (more than twice as many), but when shooting about 14% from the field and 13% from the free throw line we needed to shoot a few more times in a 1 point loss. All of the boys have thought about a shot that they missed that would have won the game. Just one by anyone and we get the win. We will have to crank up the energy and shoot much better to finish the season strong.

Dagim Reed lead the team with 10 rebounds and Luke McGuire had 4.

TEAM	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	Final
Cunningham	5	1	3	6	15
Attica	4	6	4	2	16

Wildcat Scorers

Dagim Reed	6
Will Wegerer	3
Luke McGuire	3
Nate Sterneker	1



Molly Morgan photos

Left: Dagim Reed drives to the basket.
Above: Nate Sterneker going for two points.

And Photos from the JH Lady Cats vs Attica



Above: Maranda Lohrke shoots at the free throw line



Right: Ellie McGuire in a jump shot

Molly Morgan photos



Lions' Club Scholarship Notice

This young basketball fan is Kingston. He is the son of Aaron and Lisa Raney. He's a cutie.

I'm using his smiling, handsome face to remind college students to check out the Lions' Club Scholarship information.

This scholarship is open to graduates of Cunningham High School. Students must have completed their freshman year of college.

This award will be presented to a worthy student who has definite goals and is likely to finish college. The recipient will be selected by a committee appointed by the Cunningham Lions Club.

Scholarship Amount: \$500.00

Student Eligibility:

1. Graduate of Cunningham High School.
2. Completed at least one year of college, or post high school education.



Grace Patton photo

3. Financial situation of each applicant will be considered. (Will not be the sole determining factor).

4. Other pertinent criteria will be considered.

Applications: May be obtained from the Principal or Counselor of Cunningham High School.

(Or check on line at: usd332.org on the counselor's page. Click on "Local Scholarships"; from there it's pretty easy to find the application.

Application Deadline: May 1 of current school year.

Selection Committee: The scholarship commit-

tee will be made up of the Cunningham Lions Club president, immediate past president, secretary/treasurer, and first Vice-president, as voting members. The principal of Cunningham High School will also be a voting member.

In order to receive the scholarship money the recipient must provide proof of enrollment in the upcoming semester to the Treasurer of the Cunningham Lions Club.

Kingston, thank you for being a part of the advertisement for a worthwhile cause.

Bulldogs Tame Wildcats

by Coach Bob Stackhouse

The Cunningham Wildcats hosted the Attica Bulldogs on January 14, 2020. Attica outshot the Cats in a 34 to 70 defeat.

Attica jumped out to a 24 to 13 lead in the first quarter. Nathan Lohrke and Lane Halderson led the way for the Cats with four points each.

The basket seemed to shrink on the Cats in the second quarter as frustration set in allowing the Bulldogs to extend their lead in the second quarter. Daylen Schnittker, Isaiah Reed and Trey DeWeese accounted for the Cunningham six points with two points each.

Cunningham shot a little better in the third quarter making two three-point baskets by Lohrke and DeWeese. Halderson added four points and Schnittker put in two points. Attica led 59 to 31 entering the fourth quarter.

The fourth quarter had a running clock and finished with the Cats adding three points to their



Above: Lane Halderson on offense
Right: Daylen Schnittker rebounds
Below right: Nathan Lohrke looks to the basket.



photos by Grace Patton

total. Austin Snow accounted for all the points with a traditional three-point play.

Name	2pt. made	3pt. made	FTM/FTA	TP	Reb.	Asst.	Stl.	Chg.
Halderson	2		4/6	8	7	1	2	
DeWeese		1	2/2	5		6		
Schnittker	4		0/2	8	6			
Lohrke		1	1/3	4	4	2		
Paris				1				
Reed	2			4	4		1	
Snow	2		1/1	5				
	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	OT/Final			
Cunningham	13	6	12	3	34			
Attica	24	14	21	11	70			

Lady Cats Dial In and Dispatch Attica

by Coach Eric Meyers

The Lady Cats opened league play by hosting the Lady Bulldogs from Attica who were sporting a 7-1 record. An obvious advantage by mere observation was our superior height, yet I expected Attica would play a man-to-man defense since that's what they have hung their hats on most of this year. To my chagrin, they did not. But Attica paid a high price by playing a zone defense as the Lady Cats turned in a phenomenal shooting performance. Four players had two or more three-point baskets as we shot 57% from the field. Most impressive was the success from three-point range where we were 13 of 21 for 62%! It was just one of those nights. Our 20-point output in each of the first two quarters propelled us to a 40-17 halftime lead, and we were on our way to a 66-35 win.

However, we didn't do everything well. We allowed 35 points, the first time anyone has cracked the 30-point mark against us all season. We can fix that should we have to play this bunch again. But we also

committed more turnovers than Attica and we were outscored in transition. Neither circumstance had happened to us this season. A wide rebounding margin in our favor covered up the damage of not playing well in all areas, but it didn't hide it. We need to re-focus.

Our shooting prowess from the field carried over to the free throw line where we made good on 5 of 7 attempts for 71%. Morgan Meyers was our leading scorer with 19 and two others reached double digits, that being Mackenzie Wright with 12 and Hunter McGuire with 10. Five others scored, as follows: Alayna McGuire (8), Holly DeWeese (6), Maddi Panek (5), Madie McGuire (4), and Alice Huelskamp (2).

Rebounding was huge for us, and leading the way was Hunter with 7, but other solid contributors were Alayna with 6, Maddi with 6, and Holly with 4. We didn't have our normal number of steals, but three players – Morgan, Mackenzie, and Madie – each had 2. As for assists, it was Morgan with 6 and Mackenzie with 6 while Hunter added 3.



Above: Holly DeWeese waits to see if her shot made the basket.
Above right: Maddi Panek brings the ball down the court.
Right: Alice Huelskamp and Reese McGuire ready for offense



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Trey DeWeese

Pretty Prairie Defeats Cunningham

by Coach Bob Stackhouse

The Cunningham Wildcats were defeated by a score of 36 to 63 at Pretty Prairie on January 18, 2020.

The Bulldogs came out shooting in the first quarter utilizing their 6'5" center to take a 21 to six lead. Trey DeWeese, Nathan Lohrke

and Erik Paris each scored two points for the Cats

The defense stiffened for the Cats in the second quarter and the Cats narrowed the score to 12 points at the half outscoring Pretty Prairie 15 to 12. Lane Halderson led the Cats with six points. Daylen Schnittker added four points. Lohrke made a three-point basket and DeWeese added two free

throws.

The Bulldogs went back inside in the third quarter and rebuilt their lead to 22 points going into the fourth quarter with an 18 to eight advantage in the third quarter. Lohrke made two more three-point baskets and DeWeese added two points.

The Bulldogs extended their lead in the fourth quarter and finished with a 63 to 36 win.

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Halderson	3			6	2	1	2	
DeWeese	3		4/4	10	7	1	1	
Schnittker	1		2/8	4	8	2	3	
Lohrke	1	3		11	3	2		
Paris	1		2/3	4	3	1		
Reed			1/2	1	2	1	4	
Snow					2			
	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	OT/Final			
Cunningham	6	15	8	7	36			
Pretty Prairie	21	12	18	12	63			



Nathan Lohrke

Lady Cats Earn Hard Fought Win

by Coach Eric Meyers

Cunningham traveled to Pretty Prairie for a league game at what is the halfway point of our season. This game concerned me going in. Watching film, I could tell the Lady Bulldogs could present some problems to us. We did, however, find early success. In fact, the first quarter would prove to be key as we jumped out to a 13-3 lead. Things tightened up considerably from that point on, made worse by our miscom-

munication at the end of the second quarter when an early shot went errant and Pretty Prairie countered with a 3-point basket. Those sequences that work against us late in a quarter or half drive me crazy, and happen more than it should with this veteran team. Instead of a halftime team of 14, or possibly more, we saw our lead trimmed to 11 and momentum wearing blue. In the second half, the Lady Bulldogs stepped up the defensive pressure and stuck to Morgan Meyers like glue. They succeeded in speeding us up at times, and this contributed to our season high 17

turnovers. We managed to adapt to their unorthodox defense and got just enough scoring to keep the Lady Bulldogs at bay. Holly DeWeese scored eight second half points and I thought she did as much as anyone to calm the waters that tended to get choppy at times. The final score of 48-25 seems misleading...it felt closer than that to me. We didn't play our best game, but credit Pretty Prairie for some of that. They're a quality team that will give other league foes fits.

Our field goal shooting was respectable at 48%, but we didn't have the range from long distance and probably shot too many

3-pointers considering we made only 4 of 17. Our cause could have been aided by better free throw shooting as well, because our 6 of 13 performance is inexcusable. Morgan Meyers paced us by scoring 17 while Holly DeWeese dropped in 12. Mackenzie Wright added 9 points, Madie McGuire 6, and Alayna McGuire 4.

In terms of rebounding, Madie led the way with 7 while three players – Morgan, Mackenzie, and Holly – each contributed 3. As a team, however, Pretty Prairie outrebounded us by 3. In the category of steals, Mackenzie earned team honors with 4. Morgan, Madie, and Holly had 3 steals apiece. Morgan and Mackenzie each dished out 4 assists.



Far left: Madie McGuire catches a teammate's pass;
Middle left: Morgan Meyers readies to retrieve the ball from Madie McGuire's tipoff.
Left: Holly DeWeese screens for Mackenzie Wright's drive.
Above: Alayna McGuire shoots for three points.

photo by Molly Morgan

View From the Capitol

by Senator Ed Berger
Kansas 34th District

Week one of the 2020 legislative session has now concluded. The highlight, as always, was the Governor’s State of the State address. The State of the State address is essentially a broad brush of the Governor’s vision for Kansas. After the State of the State address, the Governor presents the budget to the legislature for action. Legislative committees will have hearings on the budget, and a budget will be approved by the legislature, hopefully before the April recess. The Governor then will review the legislative approved budget with

line item veto authority. Of course, any veto can be overridden by a two-thirds vote in the Senate and the House.

An area of emphasis of the State of the State address was the Governor’s support for passage of Medicaid expansion. The Governor and the Senate majority leader have crafted a bill that is a true political compromise with elements of importance to both Parties. The bill has the potential to expand health care to 150,000 Kansans. A component that is attractive is a pathway to employment. If a person is not employed,

he/she will be provided access to education appropriate for garnering employment.

Taxes were also a point of focus in the Governor’s message. A task force appointed by the Governor made recommendations that included balancing the famed three-legged stool of sales, income, and property tax. Kelly specifically mentioned a ladder down of sales tax assessed on food based on income level and the restoration of a form of Local Ad Valorem Tax Relief that was eliminated approximately 15 years ago. LAVTR provides a way for local units of government to reduce property tax.

Transportation is

always important to Kansans. The Governor created a transportation task force which has had a series of hearings across Kansas providing the foundation for a new transportation plan. This plan will be financed by revenues that flow into the transportation department, phasing out state borrowing from transportation funds by 2023.

The Governor cited issues surrounding the Department of Corrections, with a plan to reduce recidivism by expanding inmate training, allowing inmates to become productive components of the workforce upon release. There are some potential solutions that, although not included in the Governor’s

message, could impact prison population such as the use of electronic surveillance for the non-violent offender.

A source of concern is the Governor’s plan to reamortize KPERS as a tool to help finance the budget. Reamortization may provide some short term gain but would be a long term expense to the State.

The Governor also recognized some of the realities of the Kansas economy. Employment is up significantly; however, danger signs are evident in the agricultural economy with commodity prices down as much as 50 percent since 2013, and the aviation industry impacted by the recent layoff of 2,800 workers at

Spirit Aircraft in Wichita. Kelly voiced support for trade agreements that could enhance the sale and price of commodities.

It promises to be another productive legislative session with a number of unforeseen issues that will undoubtedly arise before adjournment in May.

If you know of someone who would like to be a Senate Page, I have dates available February 4, 11, 13, and March 17. Contact me any time at ed.berger@senate.ks.gov.

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Kansas Profile – Now That’s Rural

Melinda Williamson, Morning Light Kombucha

By Ron Wilson, director of the Huck Boyd National Institute for Rural Development at Kansas State University.

Let’s go to the 2019 National Restaurant Association Expo in Chicago. Food suppliers are displaying products from across the nation. Only one of these suppliers is a producer of a healthy, fermented drink called kombucha that promotes health in a person’s gut. This remarkable business is owned by a Native American woman who lives in rural Kansas.

Melinda Williamson is the founder and owner of the business called Morning Light Kombucha, the only such business at this 2019 national foods show. Melinda was born and raised in Topeka. She is of Native American descent, specifically from the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation.

“I always dreamed of having my own business,” Melinda said. “I think I started a little cleaning business when I was in the fourth grade.” As she grew older, she became very interested in science. She got a B.S. in natural history biology at K-State and then worked as a senior research specialist in a laboratory at Oklahoma State where she got a master’s in rangeland ecology and management, all while raising her daughter.

“As my daughter got older, I thought about coming back to our home

area so that we could be closer to family,” Melinda said. They moved back to the reservation near Mayetta and she took a position working for the tribe

In 2010, Melinda was diagnosed with an autoimmune illness. “I was really sick,” Melinda said. She sought to improve her diet and health and found that drinking kombucha and green smoothies helped. She started making kombucha of her own. “People loved it and they wanted it.” She went to workshops put on by the Small Business Development Center to help develop plans for a kombucha business.

In March 2016, Melinda launched Morning Light Kombucha. Her business is based in values of health and sustainability which are very important to her.

What is kombucha? It is a fermented, non-

alcoholic tea that is rich in beneficial bacteria and B vitamins. “I start with a green and black tea blend and add sugar, filtered water, and the fermented culture,” Melinda said. In four to six weeks, most of the sugar is consumed. The result is a bubbly, tart, low-sugar drink that is rich in probiotics and organic acids. “It is a great power-packed drink, a good alternative to soda. We recommend people drink four to eight ounces a day,” she said.

The goal is a healthy gut. “The digestive system needs to be in balance,” Melinda said. “I’ve gotten a lot of healing from it, and I wanted to help others.”

Why the name Morning Light? “In my tribe, morning is a time for prayer,” Melinda said. “The light of a new day marks a time for a fresh start.”

As her business grew, Melinda expanded her

production kitchen in nearby Hoyt. Her Morning Light Kombucha is now served on tap at eleven locations across northeast Kansas and she’s seeking to grow. Her commitment to sustainability includes composting and recycling of brewing waste, selling kombucha on tap in refillable bottles, and recycling straws, lids, and sample cups.

Melinda works with a network of local organic producers as her suppliers. “Ninety percent of our ingredients are sourced from local farmers,” she said.

Morning Light Kombucha is a member of the Kansas Department of Agriculture’s From the Land of Kansas program as well as Kombucha Brewers International. It is also a trademarked American Indian Foods product through the Intertribal Agricultural Council. A portion of her business’s proceeds are

donated to those in native communities, such as helping native students travel to Washington, D.C. “We give back where we can,” Melinda said.

It’s great to find a business like this in a rural community such as Hoyt, population 642 people. Now, that’s rural.

For more information, go to www.morninglightkombucha.com.

It’s time to leave the National Restaurant Association Expo in Chicago, where a Native American woman from Kansas is the only kombucha brewer present. We salute Melinda Williamson for making a difference with a business committed to health and sustainability. Such entrepreneurs can give us a good gut feeling.



Boys State of Kansas Leadership Academy Taking Registrations for 2020 Session

The American Legion Boys State of Kansas Leadership Academy is now taking registrations for its 2020 session. The event, which will be in its 83rd year, will be held Sunday, May 31, through Friday,

June 5, at Kansas State University in Manhattan. The ALBSKLA is for individuals who will enter their senior year of high school in the fall of 2020. It provides a relevant, interactive, problem-solving experience in leadership and teamwork that develops self-identity, promotes mutual respect and instills civic responsibility. Boys State is a “learning by doing” political exercise that simulates elections, political parties and government at the state, county and

local levels, providing opportunities to lead under pressure, showcasing character and working effectively within a team. It’s also an opportunity to gain pride and respect for government and the price paid by members of the military to preserve democracy.

Those wishing to attend the program should visit ksbstate.org to register. In addition, anyone can nominate individuals to attend Kansas Boys State by going to ksbstate.org and submitting the person’s name, mailing address, e-mail address, high school and phone number. You can also submit nominees for

future years as well.

The deadline to register to guarantee a spot in the program, is Wednesday, April 15. The cost to attend the Boys State of Kansas program is \$325; however, in many instances, sponsors pay the majority of the fees, with the delegate or his family paying \$50.

Potential sponsors, such as American Legion posts, civic organizations, businesses, clubs and interested individuals, or those with questions, should contact Troy Fowler, ALBSKLA director of operations, at troy.fowler@ksbstate.org.

from across the state. All delegates demonstrate outstanding leadership qualities in student government, athletics and/or other activities. The Boys State program was founded by Legionnaires Hayes Kennedy and Harold Card in Illinois in 1935, and was first held in Kansas two years later in Wichita. The Kansas program moved to the University of Kansas in Lawrence in 1963 and remained there until 1991. The following year, it moved to its current location at Kansas State University in Manhattan. For more information about the American Legion Boys State of Kansas Leadership Academy, visit ksbstate.org.

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TORIKO ROUSE, Deceased.

CASE NO. 2019 PR 22

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

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Betty Hauser

Betty M. Hauser, 85, died Jan. 13, 2020 at Pratt. She was born April 6, 1934, at Nashville, Kansas the daughter of Harold and Hazel Keith Venard. A lifetime resident of the Nashville community, she was Ward clerk at Pratt Regional Medical Center and former Med Aide at Hilltop Manor, Cunningham.

Betty was a member of the St. Leo Catholic Church. On Feb. 12, 1951, she married Eugene E. Hauser at St. Leo; he died March 15, 2009. Survivors include children and their spouses, Susan Hauser, Jim (Mary) Hauser, Ann Hauser, Bob Hauser, Ed (Wanda) Hauser, Mary (Rich) Keller, Bonnie Huss, Donna (Frank) Akiu, Karen Castillo, Kris Epa, Mick (Michelle) Hauser; brothers Lloyd and Harold Venard; sister Bonnie Strothman; 24 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and 3 great-great-grandchildren. She was also preceded in death by daughter Patt Kimball; brother Johnny Venard; and an infant sister Helen.

Mass of Christian Burial was January 17th at St. Leo Catholic Church.followed by burial in the St. Leo Cemetery.

Memorials may be made with the St. Leo Catholic Church in care of the Livingston Funeral Home.



On Sunday, January 5th, the Cunningham 4-H club met at the Community Center for their monthly meeting.

For roll call, the members were asked “What is one of your favorite cartoon characters?” Answers included Bugs Bunny, Winnie the Pooh, and Woody Woodpecker. At this meeting, the club recognized the families that raised at least \$100 in fundraising: Neywicks, Glenns, Osners, Schultzzes, Adams, Rogers, Dittmers, DeWeeses, and Thimesches. New members were initiated. The new members are Emma Harden, Jack Harden, Brody Halderson, Whitney Mead, Dakota Mertens, JR Mertens,

Kaylie Mertens, Wyatt Neywick, and Paisley Westerman. Several members gave talks to the club this meeting. Andrew Schultz explained how to compete in shooting sports and how to use certain guns in shooting sports. Kaylie Mertens showed the club how to make delicious pan cookies. Whitney Mead demonstrated how to groom a horse, and showed the different tools to use. Kendall Rogers talked about the history of bows and archery, and the types of common bows. Ava Neywick played “Jolly Old Saint Nicholas” on piano. On February 1st, the 4-H Club will run concessions for the Girls’ 54 Classic. Members need to make sure to register for 4-H Club Day, which will be a Kingman Elementary on February 29th. The next meeting will be on February 9th.



Maestro Ava Neywick



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Kingman Area Businesses in the News



The photo was taken at Capstone Accounting's Grand Opening on Monday, January 6th. Capstone has merged with H&R Block and the office is now located across the hall from H&R Block’s office at 240 N Main St here in town.

Front Row: Shelby Snyder, Ciara Hoy, Paul Calvert, Kedzie Ratcliff, and Brian Belt
Back Row L-R: Leesa Beam, Chris Huhman, and Kelly Wood



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Bombshell Studio held a Kingman Area Chamber of Commerce percolator on January 9th. Bombshell Studio is a salon located at 346 North Main in Kingman.

Front Row: Christine Jennings, Joyce Hall, Sharon Reese, Chelsea Frey, Shelby Snyder, Morgan Fiscus
Back Row: Shannan Flach, Lesa Roser, Ashley Keimig, Morgan Roser, Calli Harrel, Ashton Bornholdt, and Leesa Beam



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