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Statement From the Kingman County Commissioners:

September 1, 2023

To the Citizens of Kingman County,
Kansas:

As a Commission, we have been attempting to engage with the City of Kingman to ensure Kingman County residents receive quality EMS services at a reasonable price for the year 2024. The current proposal for EMS services by the City of Kingman increases the County's obligation to the City by almost three (3) times the amount the County is scheduled to give in 2023. The County hoped the two parties could meet in the middle or engage in reasonable negotiations; in the opinion of this Commission, the City has been unwilling to do so.

When it became obvious that the

City of Kingman had no intention of continuing meaningful negotiations, Commissioner Jack Thimesch offered to remove the financial burden of EMS from the City taxpayers and spread that cost over the entire County by having Kingman County operate EMS. Commissioner Thimesch also offered to take on the cost and unify Economic Development and law enforcement. The City Commission made it clear that they are not interested in Commissioner Thimesch's proposal, and in correspondence received on August 31st, City representatives stated the only way they would consider such a proposal is if the County changed its rules to have five (5) County Commissioner's, with two (2) residing within the City of Kingman. Such a change would need to be voted on by the citizens of Kingman County. There is no guarantee that such a change would pass as it could create disproportionate representation of a single city within the County.

The most disturbing information given to the County yesterday, is that if the County does not meet the current financial demands of the City of Kingman, it will refuse to provide EMS and Rescue services outside the borders of the City of Kingman. This means that even as a city taxpayer, if you need emergency medical services and are outside the city limits, you will be abandoned by EMS and rescue. This means that if a law enforcement officer responds outside of the city limits and sustains life-threatening injuries Kingman EMS will not assist their fellow first responders. This means that if a school bus full of Kingman students is in a crash outside the city limits and children sustain injuries, there will be no response from EMS or rescue. This is a disturbing and reckless move by the City Commission and endangers the lives of the taxpayers that elected them, along with their friends and families that may want to venture outside of the

borders of the City of Kingman.

As a Commission, we will continue to do everything we can to resolve this problem. We are actively looking into alternative options to ensure the citizens of Kingman County receive necessary and lifesaving medical services, and will continue to serve the citizens of Kingman County no matter where they may reside. We will not let politics prevent any person from emergency assistance or care that he or she needs. We hope that common sense will prevail and that pride and egos will take a backseat to what is in the community's best interest.

Sincerely,
BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS, KINGMAN
COUNTY, KANSAS

Jerry Henning
Jack Thimesch
Pat Elpers



Wheat Scoop:

Kansas Wheat Industry Offers Resources to Help Producers Address the Challenge of Short Supplies of Certified Seed Wheat

The availability of certified seed wheat is usually as reliable as bread on the shelves at the local grocery store. Following the short harvest, however, wheat farmers like Gary Millershaski near Lakin are finding sourcing the specific varieties of certified seed wheat more difficult and costly than taking a quick trip down to pick up the bags they need. Producers need to think creatively and use their available resources to secure quality seed wheat that will help make next year's wheat harvest.

"I try to plant all certified seed because we invest a lot of money into seed production, Millershaski, who also serves as the chairman of the Kansas Wheat Commission, said. "This year, if you didn't speak for it early, you don't have the option of any particular variety you want. Now there is seed available, but it is going to cost more this year."

It is no shock that certified seed wheat supplies are limited this year due to the drought and short production from the Kansas harvest. Many seed dealers across the state are either sold out of certified seed wheat or have limited supplies.

"It's extremely tight and it's getting tighter by the day," said Dan Dall, Central Plains regional commercial manager for Limagrain Cereal Seeds. "Guys need to be getting stuff ordered and taken care of so they can get what they want. I think we're already down to second or third choice in a lot of places."

Seed dealers and the companies

they represent are trying to offset these shortages and meet the demand of their local customers by securing sources of certified seed wheat from other parts of Kansas or other states, but it may not be cost-effective to do so considering the high cost of freight.

Add more varieties to shopping list for seed wheat

Given the shortage of certified seed wheat supplies, wheat producers should be prepared to expand their list of preferred varieties to purchase, if they have not already locked in seed wheat.

"Instead of one or two options, be prepared to be thinking through three, four or five different options of the varieties you want," said Bryson Haverkamp, Kansas Wheat Alliance CEO. "Your first or second choice may not be available."

Luckily, Kansas growers have a wealth of resources available for this research, including K-State's Kansas Wheat Variety Guide or the "Wheat Varieties for Kansas and the Great Plains" best choices book.

<https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/mf991.pdf>

<https://thewheatfarmer.com/wheat-varieties-book/>

When looking at this data, Andrew Blubaugh, wheat commercial manager for WestBred, cautioned producers not to just look at this year's data, but to look back at two, three or four years of data to get a better picture of a variety's performance and consistency.

"Don't be upset that your pick for this year isn't on the top of the list because this year's data was skewed with the challenging harvest," Blubaugh said. "Make sure to look at that multi-year history."

In addition to these publications, seed dealers and company representatives can help growers walk through the list of available varieties to source ones that will work for their operations.

"There's a lot of good advice out there," Dall said. "Most company

representatives can provide you with pretty good guidance on new varieties or different varieties to try. There are resources out there and we're more than happy to help."

Another option for growers is to try out a new or different variety. Instead of relying on a go-to variety, producers could branch out to something with similar agronomic characteristics.

"The marketplace is full of great varieties," Dall said. "It might be a good time to try something new. We like to be set in our ways, but this does give us an opportunity to take a look at something else."

Producers should also have confidence that the varieties for sale, even if they are not their go-to selections or the hot, new pick for the season, are the result of an extensive wheat breeding process and the varieties that make it to market are there because they were consistent top performers in their generations.

"There's a lot of varieties in the marketplace today and they're all very competitive," said Dave Abel, key account lead for AgriPro wheat. "There are products that perform better than others in certain areas, but I have confidence that everything in my portfolio that's out in the marketplace is out there because it performs."

Select good quality seed for certified sources

One action producers should not take this planting season is to purchase seed wheat from unlicensed neighbors. Certified seed wheat is subject to plant variety protection (PVP) laws that govern the development and sale of certified seed wheat by public and private wheat breeders. While farmers can retain seed wheat from the certified seed they plant for use in their own operations, the sale of that "brown-bagged" wheat is illegal and could carry serious ramifications for not only the seller but also the buyer. In addition, bin-run wheat likely has not undergone the rigorous standards that

certified seed producers are required to undergo to ensure that the seed they are selling is a quality product to put out to customers.

If producers are using their own retained seed wheat, they should send samples out for germination tests, especially following this year's challenging growing season. Haverkamp emphasized the importance of germination testing specifically this year to ensure seed is up to acceptable standards, especially considering the amount of head scab present in the western part of Kansas.

If not a regular practice, producers should also strongly consider seed treatments this year as the extra fungicide and insecticide will offer additional protection against seed-transmitted fungal diseases and fall-season insects.

"It's always a good idea to look at seed treatments, but especially in years like this when disease pressure was increased in the western part of the state, seed treatment is got insurance to help get your wheat crop off to a good start," Blubaugh said.

Good wheat varieties still available

Overall, while sourcing seed wheat will be a challenge this season, Kansas growers should be rest assured there are good wheat varieties available to make a crop next year.

"There's a lot of good wheat varieties out there," Haverkamp said. "Don't be disappointed if you don't get the variety you want. Each company has good varieties. Work really closely with your local seed provider and work with them on what they think would be a good fit for your operation."

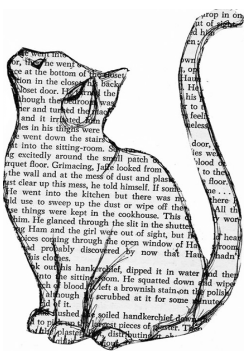
Find the latest varietal information, performance data and certified seed directory through the Kansas Crop Improvement Association at <https://www.kscrop.org/>. Additional resources, including the most current K-State guidance on wheat variety selection, at kswheat.com/wheatrx.

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Meanderings

Our reviewed book club read for August was "Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End" by Atul Gawande is a must read for everyone.

Goodreads chose it as one of the best nonfiction books of 2014: "In Being Mortal, author Atul Gawande tackles the hardest challenge of his profession: how medicine can not only improve life but also the process of its ending

Medicine has triumphed in modern times, transforming birth, injury, and infectious dis-

ease from harrowing to manageable. But in the inevitable condition of aging and death, the goals of medicine seem too frequently to run counter to the interest of the human spirit. Nursing homes, preoccupied with safety, pin patients into railed beds and wheelchairs. Hospitals isolate the dying, checking for vital signs long after the goals of cure have become moot. Doctors, committed to extending life, continue to carry out devastating procedures that in the end extend suffering.

Gawande, a practicing surgeon, addresses his profession's ultimate limitation, arguing that quality of life is the desired goal for patients and families. Gawande offers examples of freer, more socially fulfilling models for assisting the infirm and dependent elderly, and he explores the varieties of hospice care to demonstrate that

a person's last weeks or months may be rich and dignified."

This is certainly not a book I'd pick up on my own to read for a few reasons: 1. Medical. 2. Nonfiction. 3. Sounds boring.

I am glad I've read it. What an interesting and informative book about aging that I can't recommend enough.

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Quin woke me dark and early this morning (4:30ish). He HAD to go outside. He couldn't wait. I mumbled as I pulled up the pet door. Then I crawled back into bed. I checked on him a few minutes later. He was standing perfectly still, facing away from me, there on the sidewalk. I watched for several seconds, wondering what he saw. Then he jumped straight up. And came back down. Then butt went in the air, and nose on the ground. I could not

figure out what he was doing or what he had.

I waited. Then he started bouncing. Ahhh... there it was .. Ol' Toady, who lives in our backyard, was out after bugs. The bugs attracted to the light, the toad attracted to the toad. I watched him bounce around, occasionally his forearms went on the ground and his butt up in the air. It sure was cute to watch - even at 4:30ish in the morning.

He eventually saw me watching from the window and came running in. I reminded him he had cats he could paly with, then I crawled back in bed, Quin flopped down with his chin resting on my shoulder. And off we slumbered until the sun came up. And cats were up and about and ready to play.

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School sports have started up! It may take

some time for all of us to get back into the groove of things: Molly with pictures, the coaches with articles, me with figuring out who is who and when we play and on what day - were these photos from Tuesday's game or was it Friday's game? Is this Fairfield's gym or Argonia's? It gets very confusing, and I make many mistakes. And if I know about them I can run a correction in the next issue. No problem.

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FYI: I found many mistakes in this newspaper as I was downloading it to send to the printer. I'm not sure I caught all of them. Ignore any typos you find. Only let me know if I've mis-named someone. Sheesh, I embarrassed myself with all the errors (Zchallenge instead of Challenge on page one, for instance). Fixed!

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Always reading,

and currently reading, "Silver People:Voices from the Panama Canal" by Margarita Engle, Roberta

"Our ultimate goal, after all, is not a good death but a good life to the very end."

— Atul Gawande, Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End

"We've been wrong about what our job is in medicine. We think our job is to ensure health and survival. But really it is larger than that. It is to enable well-being."

— Atul Gawande, Being Mortal: Illness, Medicine and What Matters in the End

"Courage is strength in the face of knowledge of what is to be feared or hoped. Wisdom is prudent strength."

— Atul Gawande, Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End

Tallgrass and Tumbleweeds by Gaille Pike

Gaille Pike is on location in New York filming a documentary. Her regular columns will resume Sunday, September 14th. In the meantime, please enjoy this from the syndicated Tallgrass & Tumbleweeds archives.

Dear Readers. Though I am a touch screen gal, I did not know, though, until I researched it online today that this technology was invented when I was three years

old—it's been around since 1965! I have no idea how it works. I just know that I touch my cell phone or laptop screens, and PRESTO, what I want to happen happens. A luxury I once could not afford is now as essential as breathing. I tap, expand, scroll, squeeze and swipe the hours away, for both work and play. Well, I used to...

Before I tell you what happened, let me address the contentious elephant in the room which is that my laptop screen (and my cell phone screen) are DIRTY right now.

I am one of "those people." I take neither

pride nor pleasure in this disclosure. Nor am I ashamed. Smudges and smears come with the territory. I don't share my screens. I am a life-long frequent hand washer. So I know it's all CLEAN DIRT. Food on screens is gross—I will give you that, so no devices for me at mealtimes!

In these divisive times, DIRTY SCREEN proclivities occasionally distress my CLEAN SCREEN family and friends. Sticks and germaphobe stones don't change my ways or break my spirit. If the state of my device screens is an issue, I graciously ac-

cept any offer of cleaning. And mindful of such cultural wars, when courting new clients, I do possess and use a microfibre cloth so that any presentation will be free of provocation.

I'll always be a dirty touch screen gal girl at heart. But now there's a MOUSE in the house.

First, a friend and business partner with whom I frequently collaborate has relentlessly complained about my TOUCH SCREEN ways—that they are unproductive. Specifically, that my fingers are slower than clicking. My rebuttal: He's doesn't under-

stand how to use technology AND is incapable of following how my right-brained mind works.

This pal thinks he persuaded me. But here's why I really bought this rodent. Out of the clear blue, my laptop and cell phone screens stopped responding to my touch. At first I thought the internet was down again when I checked the router, it was right as rain. It made no sense that both my devices break at the same time. So I struck my screens harder and harder but no amount of violence provoked a reaction.

In frustration I drum-

ming the fingers of my left hand on my desk. That's when I realized I had no feeling in three of my fingertips. I have CALLUSES newly acquired from practicing my guitar. And touch screens don't like calluses. Too bad I'm left-handed because my screens only respond to the thin-skinned fingertips of my right. My friend was right that I needed a mouse. But I'm waiting until he cleans my screens to tell him.

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

A Column by Dorothy Rosby

My Relationship with Facebook is Complicated

Wow! Look at that. An acquaintance just posted a dozen photos of her Caribbean honeymoon on Facebook. Beautiful! Hey wait. She's on what should be the best vaca-

tion of her life with the person she presumably loves more than anyone in the world, and she's staring at her phone. I have half a mind to comment, "Don't tell us you love him to the moon and back. Tell him. He's right there." I don't though. He's probably staring at his phone too. She'd probably have to send him a Facebook message to get his attention.

I don't mean to criticize. Her pictures are

nice, and I do love that people share the details of their lives on Facebook. So I type "awesome photos" and scroll down the page. New car—like. Cute baby—love. Fresh wound—what? Why'd they have to post that? I was snacking! I hate that people share every detail of their lives on Facebook.

Mostly, it's fun though, seeing all the amazing things people do. Look at them—they're at a concert. And those people—they're at the lake. And them—they're in a hot air balloon. I can't believe they have cell service. And me? I'm sitting here reading about it all. Not as fun maybe, but I always have service in my house.

I know some amazing people, that's for sure. That friend just finished

a marathon. That one just finished skydiving. That one was named Mother of the Year. I'm impressed...and boring and inadequate. Sigh. Looking at Facebook is like being in cyber middle school.

And speaking of inadequate, I had planned on doing some actual work when I sat down. But Facebook eats time like I eat M&Ms, one post at a time. Then just one more. And one more. I've just frittered away an hour oohing and awing over other people's lives while mine has come to a dead halt in front of my computer.

I'd get back to work, but there's a clever political post. I check "like." I love how we can say whatever we think on Facebook. And by "we" I mean the people I agree

with. I don't love how everybody else can. Honestly, sometimes when I scroll down a page of Facebook posts, I feel like great waves of stupid are washing over this country.

Like that post right there, for example. How can a thinking person possibly believe that? Suddenly I'm tempted by the worst Facebook time waster of all: Responding to someone who is misguided, misinformed and as wrong as a tuxedo with tennis shoes.

I've been sucked in before. I've attempted to make a witty, spontaneous response to someone's clearly misguided posts. But it takes me a long time to sound witty and spontaneous, so I carefully crafted my comment only to have them comment on my

comment, apparently unconvinced. Also apparently faster at sounding witty and spontaneous than me.

Then I commented, they commented and days passed with me looking at my phone every few minutes to comment on their latest comment. It would have taken us both even longer if we checked our facts before we posted. But who has time for that?

Anyway, I'm not up to dealing with ignorance today. Plus there's a cat video I want to watch.

Dorothy Rosby is the author of Alexa's a Spy and Other Things to Be Ticked off About, Humorous Essays on the Hassles of Our Time and other books. Contact her at www.dorothyrosby.com/contact.

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| Thursday, September 7 JH VB at Argonia with Attica *** JH FB at Argonia | Tuesday, September 12 HS VB at South Barber with Fairfield |
| Friday, September 8 HS FB at Moscow | Wednesday, September 13 Board of Education Meeting |
| Saturday, September 9 HS VB at Sylan United Tournament ** HS and JH Cross Country at Skyline | Thursday, September 14 JH VB at HOME vs South Barber *** HS Cross Country at St. John *** |
| Monday, September 11 HS JV FB at Lost Springs-Centre | JH FB at HOME vs South Barber |
| | Friday, September 15 HS FB at Chase |

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County Commissioner May Attend Forum to be Held on September 7

A majority of a quorum of the Board of County Commissioners of Kingman, County, Kansas may be in attendance at the Community Forum on September 7, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. The Forum will be held at the Kingman Historical Theatre, 237 N Main, Kingman, KS 67068. No action will be taken on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners at this event.

West Kingman County BOE Will Meet September 13

Revenue Neutral Rate Review
6:40 p.m.
AGENDA
Call to Order
Approval of Agenda (AI)
Guest Recognition
Review of Mills in excess of Revenue Neutral Rate
Approve Resolution to exceed RNR (AI)
Adjournment

Budget Hearing
Wednesday, September 13, 2023
6:50 p.m.
AGENDA
Call to Order
Approval of Agenda (AI)
Guest Recognition
Budget hearing.
Adjournment

Regular Agenda
Wednesday, September 13, 2023
7:00 p.m.
AGENDA
Call to Order
Approval of Agenda (AI)
Guest Recognition
Approval of the minutes of the August 14, 2023 regular meeting. (AI)
Approval of financial reports and payment of bills (AI)
Reports
Superintendent report – Dr. Arnberger
Principal report- Cody Dunlap
Special Ed report – Scott DeWeese
Executive Session for Nonelected personnel.
Old Business
Construction Project
Needs assessment
New Business (AI)
Adopt the Budget for 2023-2024
Strategic planning proposal
Other
Adjournment



Booster Club Flag Sponsorships Available

The Cunningham Booster Club has exciting news! We're looking for sponsors to help fund our Annual WILDCAT Flags!! In return for your sponsorship, we're offering multiple advertising opportunities throughout the school year; your name printed in several of the school's sports programs, your name mentioned in a Cunningham Paper article and a shout out on social media.

Our WILDCAT Flags will be hung for several of the home football, volleyball, basketball and school events throughout the school year, weather permitting. The WILDCAT Flags, being hung down the streets in Cunningham, will show our schools/towns pride in our kids!

We are so grateful for what our sponsors have helped the Cunningham Booster Club accomplish throughout the years and excited for this new tradition of our WILDCAT Flags being hung proudly in our town!

If you would like to participate in this sponsorship, the Cunningham Booster Club is asking for a \$40 contribution for this school year. We would like to thank you for the consideration in sponsoring a WILDCAT Flag.

To sign up to be a WILDCAT Flag sponsor please send your check to: Cunningham USD 332, 104 4th Street, PO Box 67, Cunningham, KS 67035 or drop it off at the school office. Please put "WILDCAT FLAG SPONSORSHIP" on your check. Also, if you would like to do your sponsorship "In Memory of a Loved One" please indicate on your check. Checks can be made out to the "Cunningham Booster Club".

If you have questions regarding being a sponsor you can call Sarah Thimesch at 620-491-0696.

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— Sarah Dessen, Just Listen

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1933

September 1—Willowdale scored their winning run in the eighth inning to defeat Cunningham, 4-3, in a baseball game played at Willowdale last Sunday afternoon. Ted Hart hurled his first game for Cunningham this year and did a nice job, allowing six hits and striking out seven batters.

Advertisement—There will be a dance at the W. T. Cannon Barn, seven miles southeast of Cunningham, Saturday night, September 2. Admission 25c.

1938

September 2—The contract has been let for the erection of a city building on the corner north of the Fairmont Cream Station. The new structure will be twenty-two by twenty-four feet, constructed of tile and stuccoed, and divided into jail room and office room, and the cost will be nine hundred dollars.

The annual Lawndale Old Settlers Picnic was held at Elm Mills last Sunday. New officers elected for the coming year include Newell Hamilton of Isabel, President; John MaGruder of Pratt, Vice-President; and Florence Walker of Wichita, Secretary-Treasurer.

1943

September 3—Several of the Cunningham boys who are stationed on the Oahu Island in the Hawaiian Islands succeeded in arranging two meeting days recently and enjoyed several hours together on each occasion. On Sunday, August 15, Private Dale Sheldon, Private First Class George McClellan, Sergeant Luther Azbill, and Private First Class Charles Crow, enjoyed the day together, and on Sunday, August 21, three of the same boys, Pvt. Sheldon, PFC's Crow and McClellan, arranged a meeting with Master Sergeant Elmer Steffen for the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Lash of Wichita, former residents of Cunningham, received a card last week from their son, Corporal Leroy Lash, saying that he was interned in a Japanese Military Prison Camp in the Philippine Islands. This is the first word they had received from him since January of 1942.

Leroy Carter, son of Mrs. Mabel Carter of Cunningham, is now stationed at Mt. Vernon, Ia., where he will begin his basic training in the Navy Air Corps.

1948

September 3—Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Huffman and family of near Santa Barbara, California, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Huffman, Thursday.

Cunningham lost their first-round game in the Wichita Diocesan tournament held at Pratt last Wednesday and Sunday, to St. Marks by a score of 10 to 3.

Cunningham will play Willowdale on the Willowdale diamond next Sunday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock.

The Cunningham Juniors walloped the Turon Juniors 12 to 4, on the Sterneker diamond Wednesday evening.

Miss Dorothy McGeorge writes from sunny California that she is having a wonderful time.

Dorothy left Wichita, August 21st, on a Trans-World airliner for San Francisco, California, the first leg of her journey to Tokyo, Japan, where she will be employed in government work for the next two years.

1953

September 4—The Sampson Construction Company of Salina, started work last week on the erection of four concrete storage bins for the Gano Grain Corp. at their elevator in Cunningham, which will increase the elevator's capacity to one hundred and twelve thousand bushels.

Workmen are busy this week preparing to pour the concrete base for the bins, and building the circular forms for the bins.

Mr. Ted Walker, Superintendent of the project, says it will take about six weeks to complete the job. The four bins will each be eighty-two feet high, with an inside diameter of twenty-two feet, and walls six inches thick.

Pouring of the four bins will take place simultaneously, and without a break of more than an hour, until the walls are completed. This task will take from seven to ten days of around-the-clock time scheduling before

the job is completed.

Miss Darlene Simonson, daughter of Mrs. Elsie Simonson of Cunningham, and Mr. J. Burnard Simonson of Dodge City, was united in marriage to Mr. Harold Schreck of Cunningham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schreck of St. Leo, last Saturday afternoon, August 29, at two-thirty o'clock, in St. Leo's Church in St. Leo.

St. Peter's Church in Willowdale was the scene of a nuptial high mass ceremony Wednesday morning at nine o'clock, uniting in marriage Miss Patricia Raney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Raney, and Mr. Raymond Hageman, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Hageman.

1958

September 4—Mr. and Mrs. Clarence B. Shelman, celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary, were greeted with the congratulations and well-wishes of over 250 relatives and friends at a reception and open house held in their honor in the Christian Church undercroft last Sunday afternoon.

The three Cunningham schools, Cunningham Grade School, Cunningham Rural High School, and Sacred Heart Parochial School started the 1958-1959 term of school this week. Combined enrollment of all three schools is 264 students.

The Christian Church will hold an old-fashioned camp meeting at Cooley's Grove, Sunday morning.

The Community YWCA will have their annual picnic at the City Park, Monday evening, at 6:30 o'clock.

Roy Ellis started construction last week on a new building to house a café near his new filling station at the west edge of town.

1963

Sept. 5—Eighty-nine students are enrolled in Cunningham Grade School for the 1963-1964 school term, according to the office of Supt. of Schools Will Seacat.

These 89 grade school pupils, plus 92 high school students, plus 39 in Sacred Heart Parochial School, brings Cunningham's total "school population" to 220 students.

Upwards of seven inches of rain has fallen in the Cunningham area since last Saturday evening.

Donald Pelzl, who received his Master's Degree in Music Education from the University of Wichita this summer, has accepted a position in Kansas City, Kans., as an instrumental music teacher.

Robert Pelzl has accepted a position with the research staff and the teaching staff at the University of New Mexico. He will also continue his studies in mathematics towards his Doctor's Degree.

Robert and Donald are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Pelzl of Cunningham.

Den One of the Cunningham Cub Scout Pack and Den Mother Mrs. Francis Dafforn had been disappointed twice this year by inclement weather on scheduled camp-out nights, so the boys and their families enjoyed a camp-out supper in the Lodge Hall, Sunday evening, with the scouts and their fathers staying overnight in the hall.

The sanctuary of the Lodge Hall felt pretty good that night to the boys and their fathers. It rained about four inches during the night.

1968

Sept. 5—Purple awards were won by nine Cunningham 4-H Club members at the Kingman County Fair. A purple award makes that entry eligible for State Fair competition if the member was 12 years old, January 1, 1968.

Entries at the State Fair will be Bob McGovney, potatoes and electricity; Kris Sheldon, garden display and tailored dress; David Steffen, tomatoes; Janet Rohling, tomatoes; Tom Woodson, Holstein dairy heifer; Monte Rose, woodworking; Rodney Woodson, garden display; and David Woodson, guinea. Gary Sterneker received a reserve champion award in the Hamp breed for his sheep.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schnittker were surprised, to put it mildly, when they started to church Sunday morning. When Mr. Schnittker went out the back door to the attached garage, his car was gone.

Seeing an old pickup parked across the street, Mr. Schnittker surmised that his car had been stolen.

He notified the Kingman County Sheriff, and the investigation revealed that two escapees from the State

Hospital at Larned had left the pickup in trade for the 1966 Chevrolet.

The car was located Tuesday in a Wichita parking lot, and Mr. and Mrs. Schnittker went to Wichita, Wednesday, and returned with their car.

Cunningham appears to be in the path of thieves and vandals.

Two guns were reported stolen from the Francis Dafforn farm home sometime over the week, and Harold's Place was entered and money taken from vending machines last Tuesday night. It was also reported that several windows were broken at the high school over the weekend.

YEARS AGO IN

The Cunningham Clipper

Publisher: Charles G. Barnes

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Reporter: Florine Kampling

1978

Sept 7- School is off to a good start in all attendance centers of U.S.D. 332. Total enrollment of the district as of September 1 was 367, which includes all grades, Kindergarten through Grade 12. Cunningham enrolled 9 in Kindergarten; 12 in first grade; 15 in second grade; 13 in third grade; 8 in fourth grade; 12 in fifth grade; 11 in sixth grade; 9 in seventh grade; and 15 in eighth grade.

Nashville Grade School has 8 in first grade; 4 in second grade; 6 in third grade; 3 in fourth grade; 4 in fifth grade; 6 in sixth grade; 9 in seventh grade; 5 in eighth grade; a total of 42.

A total of 110 are enrolled at Zenda; 14 in Kindergarten; 13 in fifth grade; 8 in sixth grade; 56 in seventh grade; 8 in eighth grade; 13 freshmen; 13 sophomores; 17 juniors; and 18 seniors.

The total of 367 also includes five special education students of U.S.D. 332 who attend school in special classes of the South Central Kansas Special Education Cooperative. The enrollment is 15 more students than anticipated.

Final count for budget purposes will be taken on Friday, September 15.

Three students of the Cunningham High School Spanish department took a 17-day tour of Mexico as a part of the 'Mexican Adventure' from July 30 to August 15. Those participating from Cunningham were Kevin Stillwell, Joe Strohl, and Dale Panek.

This was Joe and Dale's first trip to Mexico. Kevin Stillwell made the trip last year and this year he served as an assistant to Kenton Allen, sponsor of the trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jiminez of Kansas City are proud to announce the birthday of their baby girl, Tobi Jeanne, on August 3. She weighed 7 lb. 5 oz. and has one brother J.T. at home. Mrs. Jiminez is the former Juanita Deviney.

1983

September 8—Once again the CHS Student Council has welcomed all the incoming freshmen with the annual dance. The dance took place after the football scrimmage Friday night. The gym was filled with students and music. Shawn Lash provided his stereo and the students brought albums. David Thornhill volunteered to be the disc jockey for the evening. The dance ended at 11:30. By Deb Beat.

Last Friday the Cunningham High school football team had a Soap Scrimmage. It was a learning experience to all the players involved, including Warren Meireis and Steve Miller.

Each player showed great stamina and carried out their individual assignments. The mistakes they did make were mental ones because it was the first scrimmage and there was a high flow of adrenaline and that should improve with every day they play.

The team is going to work hard next week on offense, defense, kicking and punting in order to get ready of Friday's game against Skyline. Skyline was one of the teams last year who had a chance to go to the state playoffs but was defeated by Cunningham in their final game. Skyline hasn't forgotten it and they will be back to try and defeat the Wildcats.

The Hardscrabble School, which was located 9 1/2 miles southwest of Cunningham in Pratt County, held their first reunion Saturday, Sept. 3 at the Cairo Co-op basement with a basket dinner. Fifty-two were in attendance.

Mrs. Vernon FitzSimmons and Mrs. Fred Bolt were the planning committee. Students, teachers and friends enjoyed renewing acquaintances.

Lucille Asher of Pratt was a special guest. She has written a book on the history of Lawndale and the Hardscrabble school district, which was organized in the early 1880s and in 1944 consolidated with the Isabel school district.

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A Water Well for the Mikongooni School



The Cunningham/Kenyan Water Project is announcing another well strike. The Village of 500 residents and a Secondary School has its first water well.



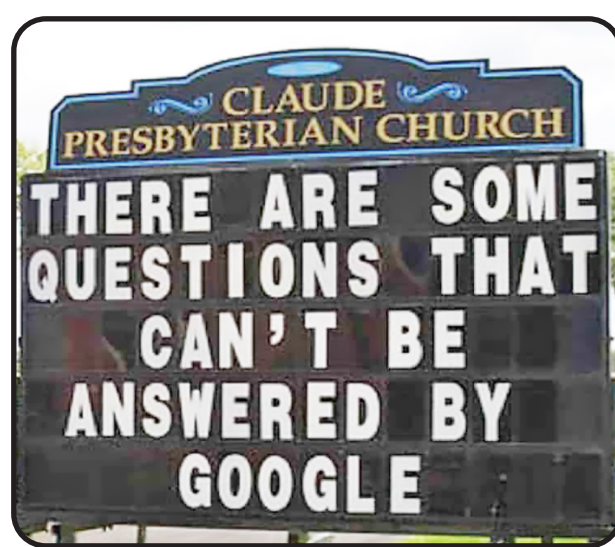
Can y Rebel Am Achub hen rebel fel fi: For Saving An Old Rebel Like Me

By Corinne Smelker
It is said that Welsh coal miners have over two hundred words for rock. They don't. They have no words for rock, in the same way that fish have no words for water. They do have words for igneous rock, sedimentary rock, metamorphic rock, rock dropping on your head and rock which looks like it may carry coal. Show a miner a rock and he will see an inferior piece of shale, or a coal bearing line in the rock. But at this time there were no words for happened in the valley just north of Cardiganshire. Mine owners were in an

uproar as coal miners streamed into work talking of nothing more than recent events that had taken over the valley and indeed the whole country. The pit ponies looked on in confusion as their masters spoke to them gently, they were used to nothing more than swear words and sticks on the hind quarters. Gone were the drunkards, gone the profanities, gone the rabble-rousers whose main goal in life was to start a fight over whose rugby team was superior. Gone were the men who spent all their money at the pub on Friday night and beat their wives on Saturday morning. The Welsh valleys rang with the sound of hymns, like 'yma Gariad' - 'Here is Love' and one made famous by Sam Jenkins, "For Saving an Old Rebel like Me".

Language of mining turned into language of love, language of rocks turned into talk of God breaking the rock-hard hearts of the local men. None was harder than a man named Ewan Davis, my paternal great-grandfather, married, with 2 young children; Margaret and William. Margaret was 2 in 1904 when the valleys rang out with the sound of revival, and 4 when revival slowly gave way to a lifestyle of Christian living. I was 7, Nanny 70, when she began to tell me stories of the Great Welsh Revival. Her gentle lilting voice filled the small, cramped London house with the sound of old hymns, interspersed with her recollections of those days. Young she might have been, but she clearly remembered the nights spent with her father, mother and brother lis-

tening to the preachers of the day. She recollected how suddenly her father, whose life was consumed with mining, drink and football, underwent a metamorphosis and knew more Greek and Hebrew than he did English. How rocks, coal-bearing rocks were not the centre of his life, but now the Rock of Ages, the only solid rock was all he sought. Before my Nanny died in 1989 I asked her how she felt when the Revival ended in 1906 and she and her family moved to London to seek a better way of life. She responded, "It's still burning in my heart, it's never gone out - it has burned for over 80 years." Miners in the Welsh valley today might have over two hundreds words for rock, but I only have one, and his name is Jesus.



Catholic Churches

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| Sacred Heart, Cunningham Sundays 10:00 a.m. | St. John, Zenda Saturdays 5:30 p.m. |
| St. Leo Saturdays 4:00 p.m. | St. Peter Willowdale Sundays 8:30 a.m. |

Father Roger Lumbre
620-243-5451
620-246-5370

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Lutheran Churches

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

Pastor Dennis Fangmeyer
Cell: 620-886-0911

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

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First Christian Church
Cunningham
Sunday School 9:30 am
Morning Worship 10:45
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00
Jr High Youth Group 4:00 pm Sunday
Sr High Youth Group 7:30 pm Sunday
Wednesday Prayer Service 7:00
Pastor Mike McGovney 620-298-3201

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United Methodist Church

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|--------------------------------------|---|
| Penalosa Worship 9:15 a.m. | Cunningham Worship 10:45 a.m. |
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Pastor Mathew Ndambuki Musyoki
620-298-2090

Zenda
Worship 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School: Children 8:30 a.m. Adults 10:00 a.m.
Pastor J L Nichols
620-491-0600

Confronting My Abuser

by Melinda Todd
I took a deep breath. Pen in hand, paper set before me. It took me eighteen years to write this letter. How exactly do you start out a letter like this? "Dear so-and-so" didn't exactly seem appropriate. He wasn't dear to me and this wasn't going to be a friendly, how ya doing, kind of letter. My stomach coiled and churned as I contemplated what precisely to say. And then I started to write. I asked the hard questions. How could you? Why did you take my innocence? What did I do to deserve this? Do you know that you changed me forever? Don't you have any shame? Why me? And as the accusations rolled, so did the facts of how his abuse had changed my life. You took something precious from me. You changed who I am in my marriage and with my

husband and let me tell you, it has not been good. What should have been special between a husband and wife, often feels dirty and shameful to me. My husband deserves a whole wife, but that is not what he got. Thankfully, he is the right man that God has put in my life. Willing to work through it all with me. You've been at every family function, forcing me to face you and pretend everything was fine. Everyone always pretending. I honestly thought maybe I was crazy. Maybe I had made it up. Why was our whole family so comfortable with a child molester sitting among us? Did anyone even care about me? My pain? My loss? Why wasn't anyone angry enough with you to want to wring your neck? As my pain poured forth and the truth was written in black and white, I began to feel relief. I mailed the letter right away, afraid I'd lose my gumption if I sat on it. To finally address

the ghost that haunted my life, always darting about and popping up when least expected, was a heavy burden finally lifted. I didn't expect a response. It is not the norm to address your abuser. They will normally deny and/or place blame on the victim, further victimizing them. But he did respond and he did admit to what he had done. He did not ask for forgiveness. He apologized, profusely. He told me how he does not believe God will ever forgive him because he caused a child to sin. He shared about his drug use, suicide attempts, and self hatred. And God gave me the strength to believe and forgive him. Through a hand written letter, I was able to find peace with a demon that had taunted me my entire life.



Cunningham Hands of Hope, Inc.

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

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

What: Food

When: First and Third Tuesday 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Where: 117 N Main (Old School Board Office)

Why: To provide food assistance to those in need.

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

Do you need assistance outside distribution hours?

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

Jr. High Wildcats Start Season with a Victory

On Thursday, August 31, 2023, the Cunningham Jr. High Wildcats opened their 2023 football season at home against the cooperative team of Fairfield and Stafford and came away with a 54-8 victory.

The Wildcats took little time to set the tone as Liam McGuire would take back the opening kickoff 60 yards for a touchdown, Cole Hageman would add the 2-point-conversion and the Wildcats led 8-0 just 10 seconds into the game.

After a Cole Hageman fumble recovery, the Wildcats would again score a touchdown, this time Hageman would take it in from 5 yards out, McGuire would at the 2-point PAT, 16-0

Cunningham.

On the next Fairfield/Stafford possession, Tyler Osner would intercept a pass in the visitor's territory to set up another touchdown run by Hageman, this time from 7 yards out, the PAT failed but the Wildcats led 22-0. Later in the first quarter after a defensive stop, John Paul Kerschen would get in on the scoring with a 9 yard run for a touchdown, Wesly Preisser would add the PAT to make the score 30-0. On the first play of Fairfield/Stafford's next possession they would drop back to pass, Hageman would intercept the ball and take it back for a touchdown to extend the lead to 36-0. Hageman wasn't done with getting turnovers as he would get yet another fumble recovery on the next possession to set up Wesly Preisser

2 yard run for a touchdown that gave the Wildcats a 42-0 lead to end the first quarter.

The score remained that way until the third quarter when Fairfield/Stafford got loose for a 45 yard run to get on the scoreboard, PAT was good and the score stood at 42-6.

With just over 5 minutes to play in the 4th quarter, Wesly Preisser would score his second touchdown of the game on 13 yard run to make the score 48-8. After the defense got a stop, Liam McGuire would take it in from 25 yards out to end the game due to the 45-point mercy rule with the score of 54-8. The win gives the Wildcats a 1-0 start to the season.

-Coach Bart Ricke-

Head Coach: Bart Ricke
 Assistant Coach: Colin Little
 Manager(s): Cooper Neufeld, Jace Oldham

| # | First & Last Name | Grade | Weight | Position |
|----|--------------------|-------|--------|----------|
| 4 | Adam Sterneker | 8 | 129 | E/B |
| 5 | Weston Rogers | 8 | 110 | E/S |
| 10 | Carson Strohl | 7 | 107 | E/S |
| 11 | Andrew Kerschen | 8 | 115 | B/S |
| 12 | Wesly Preisser | 7 | 110 | B/LB |
| 14 | Tyler Osner | 8 | 128 | E/B |
| 15 | Sevi Romine | 8 | 144 | L/L |
| 20 | Cole Hageman | 8 | 143 | B/LB |
| 21 | Liam McGuire | 7 | 134 | B/LB |
| 24 | John Paul Kerschen | 7 | 113 | E/B/S |
| 32 | Gunner Glenn | 8 | 145 | L/L |
| 33 | Caden Johnson | 7 | 172 | L/L |
| 34 | Colton Rohlman | 7 | 132 | E/B/LB |
| 40 | Jeremiah Slayden | 7 | 134 | L/L |
| 42 | Wyatt King | 8 | 160 | L/L |
| 44 | Kane Reid | 7 | 138 | L/L |
| 50 | Cole Gridley | 8 | 170 | L/L |
| 55 | Brody Bock | 8 | 173 | L/L |
| 66 | Hank Adams | 8 | 158 | L/L |



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Head Coach: Kristen Young

| # | First & Last Name | Grade | Height |
|----|-------------------|-------|-------------|
| 1 | Carly McGuire | 6 | 5' 4" JV/V |
| 3 | Vaughn Preisser | 6 | 4' 11" JV/V |
| 4 | Mackley Glenn | 6 | 4' 3" JV |
| 5 | Maelyn Jump | 7 | 4' 9" JV/V |
| 8 | Lux Thimesch | 6 | 4' 3" JV |
| 10 | Sage Thimesch | 7 | 5' 3" V |
| 11 | Katie Ogg | 7 | 5' 3" V |
| 12 | Morgan Oldham | 8 | 5' 2" V |
| 14 | Alyssa Osner | 6 | 5' 6" JV |
| 15 | Keyonna Huffman | 7 | 5' 9" V |
| 16 | HarLee Barber | 7 | 5' 0" JV |
| 18 | Piper Parkins | 8 | 4' 9" V |
| 20 | Andi Young | 8 | 5' 7" V |
| 23 | Jayden McCurry | 7 | 5' 1" JV |
| 24 | Kourtni Fischer | 8 | 5' 7" V |
| 25 | Raven Koester | 7 | 5' 3" JV |



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Lady Wildcats Begin Volleyball Season

Head Coach: Ariel Haskin
Assistant Coach(s): Sheena Albers

| # | First & Last Name | Height | Grade |
|------|--------------------|--------|-------|
| 1 | Emily Ogg | 5' 5" | 10 |
| 2/20 | Taylor Schultz | 5' 3" | 12 |
| 3 | Grace Hageman | 5' 8" | 10 |
| 4 | Elizabeth Paris | 5' 11" | 11 |
| 5 | Macy Neufeld | 5' 7" | 9 |
| 6 | Brianna Dittmer | 5' 5" | 12 |
| 7 | Kaylee Mertens | 5' 2" | 9 |
| 8 | Maranda Lohrke | 5' 8" | 12 |
| 9 | Ellie McGuire | 5' 8" | 11 |
| 10 | Gracie Smyth | 5' 4" | 9 |
| 11 | Rylee Miller | 5' 7" | 9 |
| 12 | Matilyn Jump | 5' 5" | 12 |
| 13 | Janessa Schnittker | 5' 5" | 9 |
| 15 | Ava Bock | 5' 7" | 11 |
| 16 | Whitney Mead | 5' 6" | 9 |
| 17 | Grayci McCurry | 5' 6" | 9 |
| 18 | Nora Huff | 5' 5" | 9 |
| 24 | Kyra Morgan | 5' 6" | 10 |



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Wildcats Begin 2023 Football Season

Head Coach: Lance McGuire
Assistant Coach(s): Eric Kerschen
Manager(s): Brody Halderson

| # | First & Last Name | Grade | Weight |
|----|--------------------|-------|--------|
| 1 | Dagim Reed | 11 | 147 |
| 3 | Luke Albers | 11 | 156 |
| 4 | Luke McGuire | 12 | 157 |
| 6 | Blake Swope | 10 | 149 |
| 10 | Will Wegerer | 11 | 135 |
| 12 | Payton King | 11 | 191 |
| 13 | Dylan Halderson | 10 | 185 |
| 15 | Skyler Thimesch | 10 | 157 |
| 20 | Layne Green | 9 | 167 |
| 22 | Stephen Kerschen | 9 | 174 |
| 23 | Logan Kinsler | 10 | 134 |
| 34 | Jack Ruckle | 12 | 200 |
| 36 | Kollin Fischer | 9 | 140 |
| 40 | Kendall Rogers | 10 | 139 |
| 44 | Cole Ruckle | 9 | 159 |
| 77 | Trenton Schnittker | 11 | 249 |
| 81 | Andrew Schultz | 10 | 201 |



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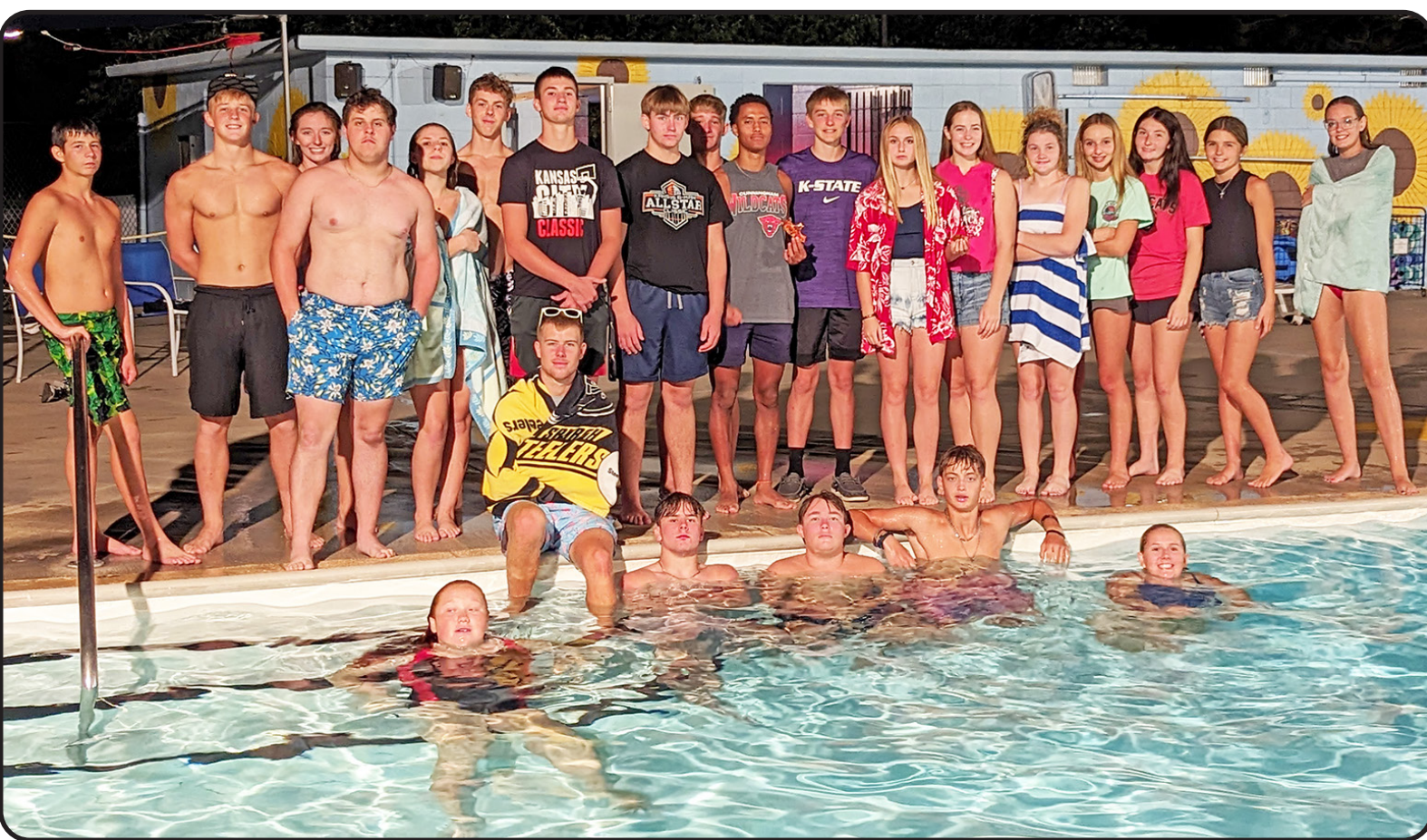
Cunningham Cross Country Team Begin Season



These runners from Cunningham sure made their coach proud today. Despite the heat, they ran their hearts out. I don't have official results yet but Ada finished 3rd in the girls 4K, Jack finished 4th in the boys 4K, Will finished 9th in the 3k. Myles just missed the top 10 and Sean ran an awesome race too! Keep up the great work!! Thank you to all the family members that were there today cheering, helping hand out water, and taking pictures. We appreciate you being there to support us!!

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|-------------|-------------------|
| Head Coach: | Ingrid Ricke |
| Grade | First & Last Name |
| 8 | Will Halderson |
| 6 | Ethan Kostner |
| 8 | Myles Thimesch |
| 9 | Jack Harden |
| 10 | Sean Kostner |
| 10 | Ada Adams |

High School Enjoys First 5th Quarter



Cunningham Swimming Pool hosted the 5th Qtr after Friday's football game. The 5th Qtr is for high school students and is put on by the Booster Club after every home game. The Booster Club and the Cunningham Swimming Pool would like to thank Beat Repair for sponsoring the unique opportunity to have last week's 5th Qtr at the pool.

photo and story by Molly Morgan

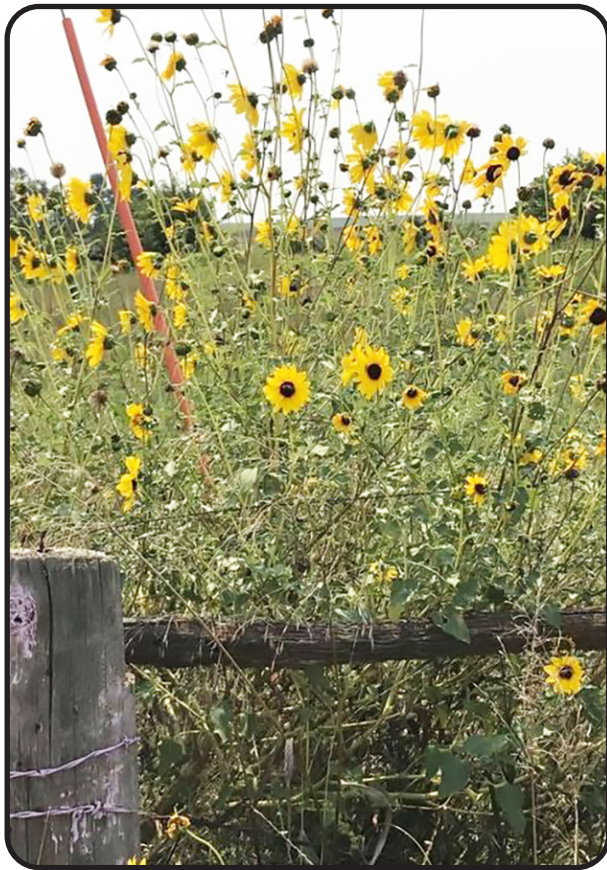


photo by Kathy Hartley

"despite knowing they won't be here for long they still choose to live their brightest lives - sunflowers"

— Rupi Kaur, *the sun and her flowers*



photo by Teresa McClendon

"If nothing ever changed, there would be no such things as butterflies."

— Wendy Mass, *The Candymakers*

These butterflies are enjoying a nectarine.

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- The new temporary lobby hours will be:

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Saturday 8am-12pm

Kingman County Sheriff's Report

Sunday, August 27

Check Welfare 1
 911 Accidental Dial 2000 Blk NE 168 Ave, Cheney
 Suspicious Person 13000 Blk W Hwy 54, Cunningham
 Non-Injury Accident W Hwy 54 & NW 30 Ave, Kingman
 Traffic Complaint 16000 W Hwy 54, Cunningham
 Harassment 16000 Blk W Hwy 42, Nashville

Monday, August 28

Civil Paper Service 8
 Civil Standby 4000 Blk NW 20 Ave, Kingman
 Traffic Complaint 9000 E Hwy 54, Murdock
 Return of Property 100 Blk E A Ave, Kingman
 Warrant Service 130 N Spruce, Kingman
 Follow Up 2000 Blk SE Murdock Ave, Murdock
 Suspicious Person 400 Blk E 2nd Ave, Norwich

Tuesday, August 29

Traffic Stop 1
 Civil Paper Service 10
 Non-injury Accident SE 110 St & SE 70 Ave, Rago
 Animal Complaint 13000 Blk W Hwy 42, Nashville
 Smoke Investigation 8000 Blk W Hwy 54, Cunningham
 Traffic Complaint SE 60 St & SE 90 Ave, Murdock
 Mental 15000 Blk NE 50 St, Cheney

Wednesday, August 30

Miscellaneous SW 30 St & SW 90 Ave, Cunningham
 Motor Assist 1700 Blk E Hwy 54, Kingman
 Alarm 16000 Blk SW 10 St, Cunningham

Damage to Property
 Traffic Complaint
 Damage to Property

Thursday, August 31

Traffic Stop 3
 Civil Paper Service 3
 Non-Injury Accident
 Transport Prisoner
 Non-Injury Accident
 Miscellaneous
 Suspicious Person
 Suspicious Vehicle
 Disabled Vehicle

Friday, September 1

Traffic Stop 1
 Traffic Complaint
 Theft
 Traffic Complaint
 Traffic Complaint
 Search Warrant

Saturday, September 2

Traffic Stop 4
 Harassment
 Harassment
 Traffic Complaint
 Traffic Complaint

NW 30 St & N Hwy 11, Kingman
 300 Blk W D Ave, Kingman
 11000 Blk SE 160 Ave, Norwich

3
 3
 NE 40 St & N Hwy 14, Pretty Prairie
 120 N Spruce, Kingman
 1000 W D Ave, Kingman
 E C Ave & N Lasalle St, Kingman
 12000 Blk NE 30 St, Cheney
 8000 Blk NE 30 St, Murdock
 4000 Blk E Hwy 54, Kingman

1
 18000 E Hwy 2, Norwich
 15000 Blk SE 110 St, Norwich
 NE 40 St & NE 160 Ave, Cheney
 N Main St & E D Ave, Kingman
 300 Blk E B Ave, Kingman

4
 15000 Blk NE 50 St, Cheney
 16000 Blk W Hwy 42, Nashville
 NW 90 Ave & E Hwy 54, Cunningham
 3000 Blk W Hwy 42, Rago



Your Family Tree

My grandparents are great. They have taught me so many things. They also share stories about our family and are helping me to make a family tree.



It's fun to see where your family has come from.

Read these clues to fill in family members:

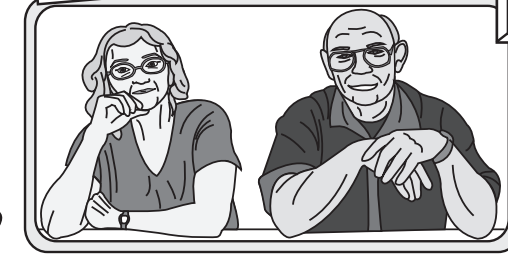
- female parent
- male parent
- girl who has the same parents as you
- boy who has the same parents as you
- mother's or father's mom
- mother's or father's dad
- mother's or father's brother
- mother's or father's sister
- child of an uncle or aunt
- group of people who are related



grandmother 9 family 6 mother
 aunt 1 grandfather
 10 father 7
 sister brother uncle 5
 cousin 2
 4
 8
 3
 5

Keep in touch : letters, cards, emails or phone calls

Grandma & Grandpa
 10 Stardust Lane
 Springfield, TX



Celebrating Grandparents Everywhere!

How can you learn about your family history?

I don't mind that my family is a little "squirrely"... I love them all!

You can:
 • take photos
 • make books

You can:
 • collect family treasures

Fill in the missing letters to see some things that keep family memories.

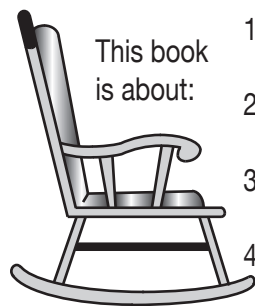
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 6. RECI _ E BOO _
 7. _ AMILY REUNIO _ S

You can:
 • talk to your grandparents
 • write stories

Come to Visit
 Family Favorites

Sharing Bedtime Stories!

Sharing bedtime stories lets us have adventures together while cozy at home. The stories below tell about different kinds of families. Match each story to its title:



This book is about:

- a nanny with magical ways to help the Banks family
- growing up in a family with many children
- a Grandpa's adventures with his little brother
- active elephant kids who never let Mom have quiet time

- Cheaper by the Dozen
- Worse Than Willy
- Mary Poppins
- Five Minutes' Peace

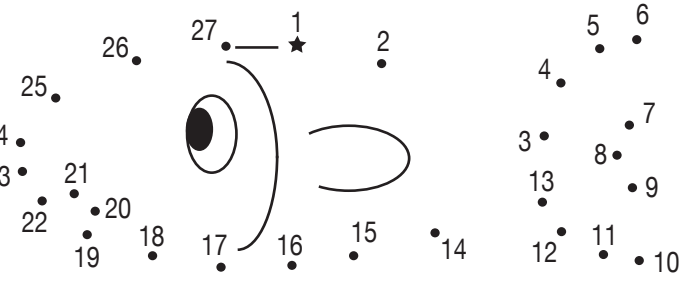


You can work together!

YOUR NAME _____
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 brothers or sisters _____

Every family has its favorite tale. It's often the one that starts with:

"Have I ever told you about the time...?"
 I think every family has a story about a giant one of these getting away!



A Family Chart

mother's name _____
 date of birth/place _____
 brothers or sisters _____

This simple record or "family tree" is for you to fill in and keep.

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Spending Time With Grandma and Grandpa!



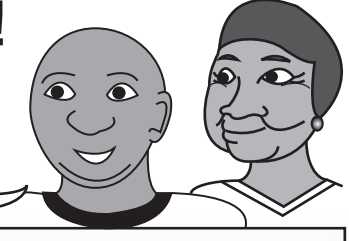
We love visiting our grandparents!



Find and circle these things we are doing together:

- baking bicycling singing fishing
 walking mini-golfing building picnicking
 reading swimming camping hiking

We love it when the grandkids come to visit!



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(Answers on page 10)



A Farm Dog's Life

Kim Baldwin, McPherson County farmer and rancher

Late summer on our central Kansas farm has consisted of keeping our crops irrigated, checking cattle, working ground and the start of fall harvest.

Since the kids are back in school, my main focus has been monopolizing large tracks of uninterrupted time during the day working in our office while my husband is out and about checking fields, switching wa-

ter gates and running equipment.

In the mornings, my husband usually heads out in the side-by-side to check irrigation and switch water gates while I get the kids ready for school. During the summer mornings, he'd usually have one of the kids with him helping and keeping him company. Since school has started, my husband's main helper is now our farm dog, Rosie.

Rosie has a constant known presence on our farm. Whether she's barking at mysterious creatures in the night, welcoming visitors to our home with dirty pawprints, dumping out trashcans or harassing the barn cats, we can't help

but love that dog. Rosie is truly a gem of a farm dog and definitely takes all of her jobs very seriously.

When she was a puppy, we wired a plastic egg crate onto the front of the four-wheeler that she'd ride in while checking irrigation.

She would trot with pride behind her humans and remind us that she was ready to go to work as we'd pick her up and place her in her little crate. With her two little paws propped up on the edge of her box, you'd see her nose pointed high sniffing the air and her ears blowing in the wind as my husband would zoom down irrigation roads.

When she no longer fit in her crate, she'd

ride behind the driver. Something she still does to this day.

Rosie is a staple in the farm truck when my husband or I are driving. Wherever we go, Rosie generally goes as well. She's claimed the front passenger seat as her own and will begrudgingly make allowances for others to sit in her seat by scooting over to the middle and sitting right next to the driver only if the passenger will give her scratches behind her ears.

When we take the side-by-side out to check cattle, Rosie will only allow a passenger her seat if she can still either propper front paws up onto the dashboard to get a full view of what's ahead of

her or if she can lay underneath the passenger's legs and stick her head out the side of the UTV.

Rosie also rides in combines and tractors for hours with one of her humans. One might see her on the lookout for wildlife to bark at while properly sitting at attention in the buddy seat as the tractor makes a turn at the edge of the field.

While sitting in the buddy seat, she's also been known to place her paw on my husband's leg while he drives a combine for hours keeping him company. When she needs a break, she'll just jump down to the floor and take a nap while enjoying the cold air coming from the vent.

She's entertainment,

protection, motivation and a companion all balled up into one large ball of fur.

From checking the irrigation in the mornings to harvesting fall crops late into the night, our Rosie is living her best dog life this fall on the farm.

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News from Kansas Farm Bureau

Consider this... by Mike Johnson

Close Call

Another dog was the last thing I wanted. Or was it?

Ever since moving to Wyoming, I'd been admiring the black and white, medium-sized Border Collie/Australian Shepherd mixes that worked on the local ranches. They were nicknamed "cow dogs" by the locals for their relentless desire and tireless ability to herd cattle. Everyone I spoke to told me they were bred to work and unless you gave them a job, they'd make one up.

Since our German Shepherd is approaching 14, I figured that after he

we'd consider a cow dog. Be careful for what you wish for because one day during a walk around the neighborhood lake, an abandoned cow dog walked into our life.

"Millie" was a female Border Collie/Aussie mix with perfect markings. She appeared to be about six months old and aside from being rail thin and dirty, seemed to be healthy. We did all the usual things you do when you find a dog -- report it to the local animal control and humane society and watch the want-ads for lost dogs. Nothing. Not that we were disappointed. It took Millie all of one afternoon to worm her way into our hearts.

Fortune continued to smile on us when a retired dog trainer who worked

with our daughter volunteered to train Millie to "get back into the swing of training." Soon Millie was heeling, sitting, staying, coming and best of all -- fetching.

Border Collies are relentless when it comes to fetching. Millie was no exception. Soon she'd developed into a world-class Frisbee dog and it became one of my greatest joys to watch her sprint through the yard to make twisting leaps four feet off the ground to pull down that spinning disc.

Since we had no animals for Millie to herd (the peacock and our other dog were no challenge) she took it upon herself to herd birds. You'd have to see it to believe it but Millie with run tirelessly through the yard, snout in the air, eagerly scanning

the trees for birds. If she saw one take to wing, it's her job to "herd" them by influencing the direction in which they fly. Despite being 20 feet under the birds, she was often successful.

But Millie's favorite times are walking along the reservoir with the wife and me. Backed up 10 miles from the Buffalo Bill Dam, the reservoir is best viewed by walking along the top of its levee where you can take in the water, the shoreline and the snowcapped mountain backdrop. With so many sights, sounds, sniffs and birds, the location is people and dog heaven.

One afternoon, needing a break, Millie and I walked the reservoir on a blustery day. Because the levee is 50 feet higher

than the lake and surrounding landscape, the wind blows through with gusts up to 40 miles per hour. Since Millie likes to lead by a good 50 to 100 yards, the wind drowned out any chance to grab her attention.

I saw her zero in on a bush along the path ahead and suddenly leap backward. Then she went into the Border Collie version of a point which consisted of leaning toward the bush with muscles coiled to pounce. Picking up my pace to investigate, I soon heard what it was.

Rattlesnake. A MAD rattlesnake.

Immediately I called off the dog and got her on the leash and away from peril. But was I too late? I ran my hands over her legs and body and studied her nose and face for

signs of a bite. All the while, the rattler kept his tail crackling. Millie hadn't yelped and wasn't favoring any portion of her body so I figured we dodged a bullet. I was right.

But the close call accomplished two things: it gave Millie an education to stay away from snakes and told me I better talk to the vet about getting some sort of venom kit. Since we frequently hike hours from town, a bite in the wilderness would be fatal.

Isn't it interesting how the universe usually nudges us with small perils as warnings before it slams us with the bigger ones that come from not listening?

For this man and his dog, we are grateful.

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Coco is a female Angora, Satin 1 year + \$40.00
I'm no bunny expert, but I know cute when I see it!

Willow is a female Havana / Satin 1 year + \$40.00

Willow and Coco have been at the shelter since August 23, 2023. Cuteness X two

Kingman County Humane Society Pets Ready for Adoption

Mr. T

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Male Shepherd, German/Cattle Dog, Australian (Blue Heeler) 45 pounds 2years + \$180.00
Mr. T has been at the shelter since March 10, 2023
Good with other dogs; People

friendly
Will work for food. Will play for food. Will do silly things for good. You have good to give, I have love to give. It's a win/win! Nothing complicated. We're a perfect match.

Angel

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Female Domestic Shorthair 5+ pounds 1 year + \$40.00
Precious has been at the shelter since March 13, 2023
Precious is a cat who is bonded with Precious, another kitty available at the shelter.

Please consider volunteering or adopting or fostering or donating to your local Humane Society

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9. Sister

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Sharing Bedtime Stories!

We love visiting our grandparents!

Home is where the heart is

Spending Time With Grandma and Grandpa!

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A Column by Tom Purcell

A Smaller Home is a Happy Home

Houses are getting smaller again — which is going to make many Americans happier.

Americans faced with high mortgage rates and a shortage of affordable homes for sale are opting for new, smaller homes that do not have dining rooms, living rooms, spare bedrooms and even bathtubs, reports the Wall Street Journal.

Builders are building smaller homes partly to give cost-constrained buyers a more affordable option.

But it's mostly because it's the only way home builders can turn a reasonable profit, thanks to the high cost of construction materials, which have skyrocketed in the past few years.

Home sizes sure have soared since I was a kid in the 1970s.

According to the U.S. Census, in 1972 the average home was 1,660 square feet.

In the 1990s, with the era of the "McMansion" in full swing, no small number of homes exceeded 4,000 square feet — homes so unnecessarily big you need to hail an Uber to get from the living room to the kitchen.

The American home continued to grow until it peaked in 2015 at an average of 2,467 square feet, but now it's fast heading back to 1972 numbers, which offers some good news.

In my experience, a modest-sized home generates more closeness and happiness among its family members.

The suburban house I grew up in was all of 1,500 square feet. Built in 1964, it was a rectangular four-bedroom box with a red-brick façade on the bottom and white aluminum siding on the top.

It also had only one full bathroom that, by 1973, had to be shared by me, my parents and all five of my sisters!

Thankfully, my parents had just enough money to add a master bedroom and bath on the first floor, which, to them, was Heaven on Earth.

Still, the house was modest in size and it forced the eight of us to live together — there was simply no way to avoid

each other. In those days we couldn't just take our smart phones to our distant bedrooms and lock the rest of the family out.

During the 34 years my parents lived there the front door was never locked and friends and relatives came and went at all hours.

We had a million birthday parties and family gatherings there. Every emotion under the sun — love, anger, joy, sadness — took place there.

Many nights after dinner my sisters and parents sat packed into our tight little kitchen around a giant table, laughing and sharing stories.

Never once did we feel our home was small.

Interestingly, according to Business Insider, the only reason home sizes continued to grow after the 2008 housing collapse was that many people who had a lot of home equity, good jobs and excellent credit had the financial qualifications to meet stringent lending requirements.

By 2015, however, as younger people who lacked such credentials began buying homes, smaller homes were all they could afford.

And now, with the highest interest rates in years and a shortage of affordable homes on the market, builders are going small.

The Journal cited one builder in South Carolina who said that buyers are happily buying homes between 1,500 and 1,700 square feet.

In my opinion, they will find more happiness in their smaller homes than they ever would in a much larger one.

The modest-sized house I grew up in was a mansion by the measures that really count.

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 - The Wise Men
 - Type of mold
 - Civil Rights icon
 - Front of ship
 - Marilyn's real name
 - Distinctive elegance
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 - *"Three Little Kittens" cry
 - Shower with affection
 - Bungle (2 words)
 - Snow ride
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 - Debilitating spray
 - *"How I wonder what you ____"
 - *Bed on the tree top
 - * ____ John, or Frère Jacques

- Formerly known as Pleasant Island
 - Commotion or fuss
 - One of journalism's Ws
 - Vinyl collectible
 - *"Tom, Tom, the Piper's ____"
 - Israel's neighbor
 - Big Bang's original matter
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- Hand grenade
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 - Cuban dance
 - *Old MacDonald's farm sound
 - Traveled on
 - Proofreader's mark
 - Sail alternative
 - Boot that reaches halfway or more to knee
 - Unsuitable
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 - Bishop's jurisdiction
 - *Life is but this
 - Marcello Mastroianni's "La ____ Vita"
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Minutes from Pratt County Commission

The Pratt County commissioners met in regular session Monday, August 28, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. in the commissioner room, 1st floor of the courthouse. The following members were present: Thomas W. Jones III, Rick Shriver, Dwight Adams, Tyson Eisenhauer, county counselor, Lori Voss, clerk, and Mark Graber, IT director.

Heather Morgan, economic development/COVID consultant, received a text from the City of Iuka having problems with ARPA reporting. She is assisting them. She stated if the city of Coats/Sawyer are having issues they can contact her. Carolyn Dunn with Economic Development, Stafford County, contacted her about Quivira National Refuge agreement concerning water rights. She reported the chief engineer at the state is independent of any politics. He will determine if anyone has been impaired and can it be remedied. She stated Carolyn was asking for the commissioners to sign a letter

of support with Stafford County concerning the water rights. She read parts of the letter. If water rights holders in NW Pratt County have been using full water rights, they might not be able to continue which will impact their crops and financial well being. Tyson stated he will discuss this later in an executive session. She is unsure on the end date for the water rights agreement, but should be by the beginning of 2024. She feels positive there will be more litigation.

Jason Winkel, landfill/recycling supervisor, presented a pay slip for hiring Joe Kasselmann at the landfill. Commissioner Adams made a motion to hire Joe Kasselmann at \$17.50 per hour for the landfill. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Adams made a motion to approve the minutes from August 21, 2023. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Shriver made a motion to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes at 2:11 p.m. for an attorney/client matter concerning multiple legal issues. Commissioner

Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to return at 2:26 p.m. with no action taken. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to approve Chairman Jones signing the letter of support with Stafford County concerning the Quivira water rights. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Adams made a motion to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes at 2:27 p.m. with Doug Freund, road/lake for non-elected personnel, discussing raises.

Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to return from executive session at 2:42 pm with no action taken. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Doug presented a quote on a new grader from Foley Equipment in the amount of \$340,716.41. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Brian Atteberry, EMS director, presented three quotes on mowers for the

Public Safety Building. Quotes from BTI. John Deere \$3100.00, Morgan Diesel, Inc., Rambler, \$3269.00 and Steve's Repair, Kawasaki \$4,409.09. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to purchase the John Deere z315e Ztrac from BTI for \$3100.00. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion.

Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Adams made a motion to recess into executive session for fifteen minutes at 2:56 p.m. to discuss non-elected personnel concerning an event. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Commissioner Shriver made a motion to return from executive session at 2:58 pm with no action taken. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Chairman Jones made a motion to approve the payment vouchers for August 28, 2023. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Adams made a motion to adjourn at 3:04 pm. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Public Notice

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KINGMAN COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS
CITY/SCHOOL GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to K.S.A. 25-2108a General Election of certain board members in Unified School District #331, Unified School District #332, Unified School District #268 At Large and city officials of Incorporated Cities, Kingman County, State of Kansas, will be conducted on the 7th day of November, 2023.

The names of the candidates and the positions for which each is a candidate are as follows:

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HAROLD FORCUM, 1998 NE 30th St, Kingman, KS 67068
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Board Member
District #7 At-Large USD 331:
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BRENT MILLER, 17418 SW 30 St., Cunningham, KS 67035
JASON OSNER, 2503 NW 170th Ave, Cunningham, KS 67035
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TROY PRESLEY, 4150 S 375th St W, Cheney, KS 67025
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The Officer conducting the School Board General Election and Cities General Election is the election officer of Kingman County, Kansas and the election headquarters for this election will be located at the County Clerk's Office, Kingman County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas.
Witness my hand and official seal this 10th day of August, 2023.
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3. Ag Trivia Wheel - take a spin on the wheel to see if your agriculture knowledge can help you win a fun prize. All ages are welcome!
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Governor Celebrates Protecting Rural Schools

TOPEKA - As students across Kansas begin the school year, Governor Laura Kelly today highlighted the need to protect funding for rural schools during a visit to Seaman Middle School, where she ceremonially signed House Substitute for Senate Bill 113. With the Governor's line-item veto of provisions that would have cut funding for districts across the state including Seaman, the legislation fully funds schools for the fifth year in a row after nearly a decade of chronic underfunding under the previous administration.
"I'm proud we have fully funded K-12 education every year since I took office. What's more, I'm proud to stand up for rural schools," Governor Laura Kelly said. "They are the hearts and economic engines of our rural communities, and thus, of our entire state. I will continue fighting to protect our public schools so they have the resources to give our students a quality education."

In May, Governor Kelly protected funding for rural schools facing declining enrollment by line-item vetoing of an appropriations provision that would have altered the school finance formula. The provision could have resulted in rural schools having to unexpectedly cut services, reduce teachers and support staff, or close buildings.

The Seaman School District, which serves students and families in suburban and rural Shawnee County, would have lost \$231,095 in funding without Governor Kelly's veto. More information about additional historic investments in this bill can be found HERE.

"We're honored to host Governor Kelly in celebration of fully funding Kansas' K-12 schools," Superintendent Brad Willson, Seaman School District, said. "Our community is built around our schools and the success of our students and staff. When our schools thrive, our community thrives, and Seaman understands that it takes all of us working together for the benefit of our students."

Governor Kelly began her visit with a

tour of Seaman Middle School led by Principal Kyle Johnson. She was joined by Superintendent Willson and Erica Tenpenny, Seaman School District's Middle School Teacher of the Year.



Public Notice

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS
In the Matter of the Estate of WENDELL DEE MOORE, Deceased.

CaseNo.KM-2023-PR-000036 (Filed Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59)

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Opal Ruth Moore, Executrix of the Estate of Wendell Dee Moore, deceased, requesting that: foreign Will of Wendell Dee Moore, deceased, dated May 18, 2015, be admitted to probate and record in this Court; no administration of the Estate is necessary; the Will be construed, and the following Kansas mineral interest in the real estate owned by the decedent, situated in Kingman County, Kansas:

The West Half of the Southeast Quarter (W/2 SE/4) and the Southwest Quarter (SW/4) of Section 29, Township 29 South, Range 9 West of the 6th P.M., Kingman County, Kansas be assigned in accordance with the terms of the Will.

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before the 22nd day of September, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in the District Court, in Kingman, Kingman County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

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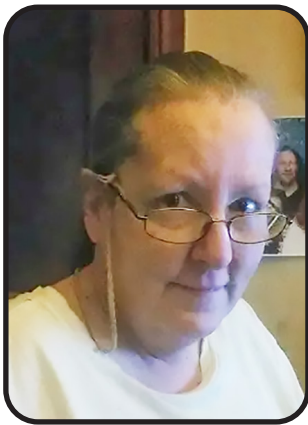
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Laura Johnson

Laura Ann Johnson, 65, passed away Saturday, September 2, 2023 at Pratt Regional Medical Center. She was born on July 2, 1958 in Atlanta, Georgia. Laura married Donny Johnson on July 17, 1999 at Apostolic Faith Tabernacle in Pratt. They were married for 24 years.



Laura attended Georgia Tech. She enjoyed talking with her friends online.

She is survived by her husband, Don; children, Adrian Galarza of Athens, Georgia and Kevin Johnson of Manhattan; brother, Tom Lewis of Holly Hill, South Carolina; half sister, Kathing Epting of Lakeland, Tennessee; and grandchild, Alexis.

Laura is preceded in death by her parents, Russell and Betty Lewis.

Cremation has taken place. There will be no service at this time.

Memorials may be made to Pratt Area Humane Society in care of Larrison Mortuary, 300 Country Club Road, Pratt. Online condolences may be made at www.larrisonmortuary.com.

JoAnne Tressler

JoAnne Tressler, 87, died Aug. 28, 2023 at Hilltop Manor, Cunningham.

She was born July 6, 1936, at Kingman the daughter of William Denver and Ellen Lorraine Schrock Wells.

A longtime Kingman resident, she was a homemaker.

Survivors include daughter Lorri Gilchrist and husband Richard and Nancy Brinlee; and son Russell Clark.

She was preceded in death by her parents; sister Beverley Caligaris; son Michael Clark; daughter Donita Caruthers; and husband Clarence Tressler.

The family will have graveside services at a later date.

Memorials may be made with St. Jude Children's Hospital or Interim Hospice both in care of Livingston Funeral Home.

Wanda Konold

Wanda Lorraine Konold, lifelong resident of Pratt, passed away on September 3, 2023. Born to Randal and Inez Dikeman on January 15, 1930, Wanda grew up on the family farm just outside of Pratt. She graduated from Pratt High School in 1948 and married Richard "Dick" Konold on October 3, 1948. They were married for 75 years before his passing in January of this year.



Wanda was a devoted member of Glendale United Methodist Church, as well as The Order of the Eastern Star and Chapter F of The Philanthropic Educational Organization (P.E.O.). Wanda enjoyed sharing her beautiful voice and dancing talents with others. She performed with the Reputables from 1971 to 1981 and sang for the First United Methodist Church congregation on many occasions. Wanda was an Honorary Lifetime Member of the Kansas Day Club, and she was recognized as the 1991 Kansas Republican Party Volunteer of the Year after serving as the First District Secretary.

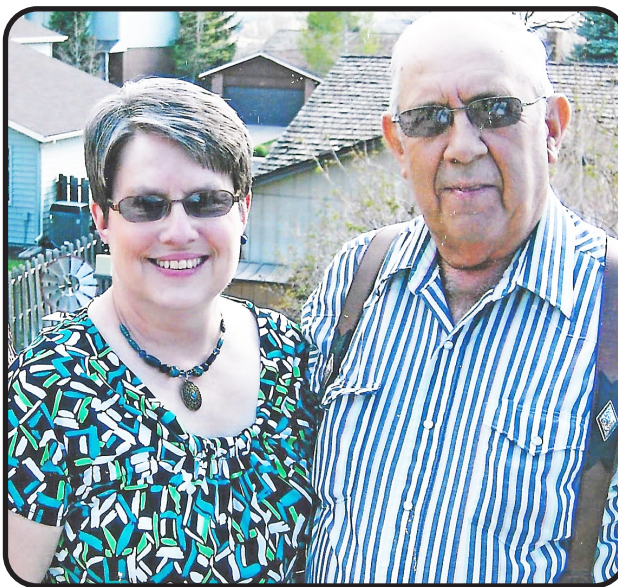
Family was important to Wanda. She loved her kids and granddaughters wholeheartedly, never missing an opportunity to tell them she loved them. Wanda's other passions included taking care of her animals and her bountiful garden. She shared the products of her green thumb with others, and her famous pickles were always a treat. Wanda had a heart for all of God's creatures, and the four-legged ones always had a way of making their way to the farm where they knew they would be greatly loved and cared for. Many dogs and cats who started their lives in unfortunate circumstances finished out their lives by her side or on her lap.

Wanda is survived by her sister, Shirley Lawton, son Michael (Gloria) Konold, son Pat Konold, daughter Shannon (Rick) Lorenz, granddaughters Keri Konold, Amy (Mike) Jumper, Traci (Robb) Raney, and great-grandchildren Tahley, Khasia, Yogi, Jillian, Jake, Jensen, Brynn and Audrey. She is preceded in death by her parents, Randal and Inez Dikeman, her husband, Richard Konold, and her beloved daughter-in-law, Carol Konold, wife of Pat.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Inurnment will be at Greenlawn Cemetery, Pratt. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Wanda's name to the Pratt Humane Society or the Best Friends Animal Sanctuary in Kanab, Utah in care of Larrison Mortuary, 300 Country Club Road, Pratt.



Westermans Celebrate Golden Anniversary



Gary and Lleanna (Kalb) Westerman will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on September 9, 2023. They were married September 9, 1973 in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Tescott, Kansas. When the couple met in 1971 at the wedding of Lle's sister and Gary's cousin, Gary knew he has met his farm gal.

They settled in Nashville, Kansas in 1973 where they still reside. They both retired from farming in 2004 after an auto accident, but continued to operate their lawn service.

Their daughter, Shelley, and her husband, Jerry Armstrong request cards of congratulations be sent to them at P.O. Box 123 Nashville, KS. 67112

Class of 1964 Holds Reunion



Pictured above: Kenny Glenn, Tim Cain, Dale Ratcliff, Vivian (Wegerer) Hensiek, Sherill (Hutchison) Crow, Bernie Albers, Mary (Bridges) Spade, Lowell Gridley

The class and spouses visited the Cunningham Historical Museum, toured the high school, visited at the community center and finished the day at Cozy's.

Other members of the class: Leonard Bayer, Rita (Cooley) Theis, Mary Lou (England) Frei, Reta (Hendricks) Fritz, Kay (Kaster) Curry, Marguerite (Lindemann) Roberts, Mike Lubbers, Randy Owenby, Linda Sallee, Linda (Schnittker) Krug, Randy Sheldon, Jerry Strickland, Karen (Wardell) Littlejohn, Sharon (Wardell) Kilmer

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