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## County Canvasser Meeting November 10, 2020

The Board of Kingman County Canvassers met in the Commission Room of the County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Those present: John Steffen, Canvasser; Fred Foley, Canvasser; Jerry Henning, Canvasser; Carol Noblit, County Clerk; John Caton, County Counselor (online)

Visitors Online: Trace; Cjb; Joyce; Emergency Manager; Viewer; Shanna Henry; 200011; Tammy Miller; Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director; Caller 01; Caller 02

Visitors: No Visitors in meeting due to shutdown

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

Carol Noblit, Election Officer submitted the Canvass to the Canvassers.

Ms. Noblit submitted 73 Provisional ballots to the Board to review.

After the review of the Provisionals there are 33 rejected; 27 fully accepted and 13 partially accepted.

Canvassers recessed the Canvass until Provisionals are counted and submitted.

## County Commission Meeting November 10, 2020

The Board of Kingman County Commissioners met in the Commission Room of the County Courthouse, Kingman, Kansas on October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Those present: John Steffen, Chairman; Fred Foley, Commissioner; Jerry Henning, Commissioner; Carol Noblit, County Clerk; John Caton, County Counselor (online)

Visitors Online: Trace; Cjb; Joyce; Emergency Manager; Viewer; Shanna Henry; 200011; Tammy Miller; Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director; Caller 01; Caller 02

Visitors: No Visitors in meeting due to shutdown

Staff: John Nye, Spark; Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director; Mary Schwartz, Health Nurse & Richard

Schott, Emergency Manager.

Chairman Steffen called the Board of County Commissioners Meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

The Commissioners received correspondence from John Wimer, Noxious Weed Director for Chemicals to be put out for bid and opened on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

MOTION: Commissioner Foley moved to approve going out to bid for Chemicals and to be opened on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Leslie Schrag, Economic Development Director was online to talk with the Commissioners on the Façade Program. Ms. Schrag wanted to know if the Commissioners wanted to commit to \$25,000.00.

Commissioners discussed that they would like to see commitment from the cities before they commit to the \$25,000.00 and they need to commit before the end of the year.

The Commissioners would like to see City of Kingman commit \$15,000.00; Norwich City \$5,000.00 and Cunningham \$5,000.00 and they would commit the \$25,000.00.

The Commissioners discussed the procedures for the COVID shutdown.

Richard Schott, Emergency Manager discussed the procedures at the door to the Courthouse.

Commissioners agreed that when the courthouse opens to the public masks will be required.

Mary Schwartz, Health Nurse was in

with an update on the COVID cases in Kingman County which are at 34 active and 1 hospitalized.

Ms. Schwartz let the Commissioners know that they have been sending certified letters to the positive cases and the cost has been way more than budgeted for them.

Commissioners would like her to keep sending and possibly use Spark funding for the mailings if it can be used.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Foley moved to go into executive session with Mary Schwartz, Health Nurse and Stan Goetz, HR to discuss an individual employee's evaluation at 10:45 a.m., pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of non-elected personnel.

County Commissioners returned to regular session at 10:55 a.m. with no binding action taken.

Ms. Schwartz requested getting another laptop for her office.

The Commissioners would like to see quotes for the laptop.

Stan Goetz, was in with a form for signatures for a new detention officer that will be starting November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Mr. Goetz discussed information with Mr. Caton that will need to be signed.

Mr. Goetz submitted documents that Hinkle Law Firm did for our County Employee Benefit welfare plan for review by the Commissioners.

Mr. Goetz submitted the plat map for the Smarsh addition final draft.

Commissioner Foley let Mr. Goetz and the Board know that he received a call about a road right away in the Smarsh addition.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the Smarsh Addition plat map as presented. Commissioner Steffen seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to recess the regular board meeting at 11:25 a.m. to the Board of Canvassers Meeting. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Canvasser Steffen reconvened the Board of County Canvassers at 11:25 a.m.

Ms. Noblit, Election Officer submitted the final canvass with the provisional totals added.

MOTION: Canvasser Foley moved to approve the 2020 GENERAL ELECTION County Canvass. Canvasser Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Canvasser Foley moved to adjourn the County Board of Canvassers at 11:32 a.m. Canvasser Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Canvassers.

Reconvened the Board of County Commissioners at 11:32 a.m.

11:32 a.m. Heather Kinsler was in with quotes for 3 speed monitoring awareness radar trailers.

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**Two Palominos Open Thanksgiving Day 6:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Traditional Thanksgiving Dinner Buffet**  
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620-318-6039  
620-450-8561

CUNNINGHAM PRIDE PRESENTS THE  
**Christmas Parade**  
&  
1<sup>st</sup> Annual Christmas Tree Lighting  
Immediately following the Parade at Daffron Park

DECEMBER 12, 2020

7am - 11am  
West Cafe On the Go  
Breakfast - Daffron Park

11am - 1pm  
West Cafe On the Go  
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FREE WILL DONATION

Cookies & Hot Cocoa  
North of the Community Center  
FREE WILL DONATION

PARADE SCHEDULE  
12:30 : Register  
1:00 : Line up  
1:15 : Judging  
1:30 : Starts

**All Donations Go to Cunningham Pride**  
For More Details Please Contact: Alyssa Preisser, Sarah Mack, or Barb Schultz  
OR follow us on the Cunningham Christmas Parade Facebook Event

## We Will Be Having the Cunningham Christmas Parade!!

- Parade Entry Categories
- Tricycles/Scooters
  - Bicycles
  - Pets
  - Wagons
  - Costumes
  - Battery Cars
  - Golf carts/ All-Terrain Vehicles
  - Floats
  - Horses

All other Entries (Vehicles, Big Equipment)

Candy may be thrown from any category BEFORE the horses! All Categories AFTER horses shall NOT THROW CANDY such as large vehicles, or big equipment etc.

Because of safety concerns  
\* No 4-wheelers will be allowed in the parade

\*Golf carts and All-Terrain Vehicles must have a driver of 14 years of age or older!

Members of the community  
\*Please remove vehicles from the first block of main Street at 1:00 for social distancing practices.

For questions please contact  
Tim and Barb Schultz  
Alyssa Preisser  
Sarah Mack

**CATHOLIC Masses**

**St. Leo**  
Saturdays  
4:00 p.m.

**St. John's, Zenda**  
Saturdays  
5:30 p.m.

**Sacred Heart, Cunningham**  
Sunday  
10:00 a.m.

**St. Peter's, Willowdale**  
Sundays  
8:30 a.m.

Fr. Roger Lumbre  
620-243-5451  
620-298-2601  
620-246-5370

**CHURCH OF CHRIST Penalosa**

Worship  
11:00 a.m.

620-474-9131

**CHRISTIAN Cunningham**

**Contact the church for service schedule.**

Pastor Mike McGovney  
620-298-3201

**LUTHERAN St. John's Nashville**

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

Worship Service  
10:30 a.m.

**Trinity Medicine Lodge**  
Morning Worship  
8:30 a.m.  
620-656-7431

Sunday School & Bible Class  
9:45 a.m.

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

Our Worship service is found on YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCrenCH1219nmpcojCFyYLA>. You can also find the service on Facebook by searching for either St. John Lutheran Church, Nashville or Trinity Lutheran Church, Medicine Lodge.

**UNITED METHODIST Penalosa**  
Worship  
9:15 a.m.

**Cunningham**  
Worship 10:45 a.m.

620-298-2090  
Pastor Mathew Ndambuki Musyoki

**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Zenda**  
101 N. Main  
Sunday Worship  
9 a.m.

Sunday School: Children 8:30 a.m. Adult 10:00 a.m.

**Community Bulletin Board**

**Monday, November 23rd**  
JH BB at Cheney

**Tuesday, December 1st**  
Lions Club

**Wednesday, November 25th**  
No school. Thanksgiving break begins.

**Wednesday, December 2nd**  
Winter Sports Picture and Picture retakes

**Monday, November 30**  
School back in Session  
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4:00 JH BB at Norwich  
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6:30 City Council Meeting

**Thursday, December 3rd**  
4:00 JH BB at Stafford

**Friday, December 4th**  
HS BB vs Minneola  
HOME

**Ninnescah Valley Bank will be closed Thursday, November 26th for Thanksgiving.**

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— Mokokoma Mokhonoana

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— Kim Hubbard

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Old Photos for *Our Community Album*  
Call (620) 298-2659 or email [cunninghamcourier@embarqmail.com](mailto:cunninghamcourier@embarqmail.com) or send to PO Box 38, Cunningham, KS 67035

**Kingman Historic Theatre**  
237 N. Main in Kingman  
(620) 532-1253  
<http://www.kingmantheatre.org/>

**Closed for Remodeling.**  
**Will re-open for Thanksgiving Weekend and "The Croods" will be showing.**

**Fundraisers & Charitable Opportunities in our Community**

**Cunningham Public Library**  
**4C Day Care** Shop [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) or contact Kathy Albers 620-298-2725 or 620-388-0774

**West Kingman County Education Foundation**  
Use your Dillon's Card! Shop [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com)  
(Janet DeWeese 620-298-2717)

**Hands of Hope** (contact Fitzsimmons Insurance or any church)

**Cunningham Alumni Scholarship Fund** (send checks to the West Kingman County Education Foundation)

**Cunningham Community Center** (leave donation at the bank)

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

**Cunningham Museum** (to donate contact Donna Glenn)

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W.A. Bradley, Editor

**1970**  
**November 19-**  
The Junior Class of Cunningham High School, will present the play, "A Ready-Made Family," a comedy in three acts, in the school gym-auditorium, Tuesday evening, Nov. 24, at 7:30 o'clock.

Members of the cast are Ruby Parsons, Nathan Stillwell, Bob McGovney, Kandi Bradley, Rena Webster, Cindy Mantooth, Dale Sallee, Steve Albers, Denise Neises, and Candice Rohr.

The play is directed by Don Shorock, assisted by Peggy Park and Mike Schreck.

Cunningham High School debaters participated in the Pratt Invitational Debate Tournament at Pratt High School last Friday and Saturday.

On Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>, the debaters suffered their share of bad luck, winning no debates and losing to teams from Stafford, Salina Central, and Augusta.

Saturday brought better luck. The Cunningham debaters met two different teams from Bishop Carroll High School of Wichita, and won both of these debates. On Saturday, the Cunningham debaters lost only one round, and that was to a pair of debaters from Halstead.

Mr. Shorock explained that the two wins represent a great victory. He said, "Nathan has never been in a debate tournament before, and David has only been in two. Yet, because of the rules, we couldn't enter this team in a novice tournament. So we're entering some novices in the open tournaments. That's like playing all freshmen on your varsity team. Any scoring is quite an accomplishment."

The Eighth Grade English Class and their teacher, Don Schnittker, visited the Clipper Office, Wednesday afternoon.

Most Kansans must purchase two auto license tags next year, during a transitional period in which a new system for tag purchases will be implemented.

Beginning in 1972, all persons will buy tags on a schedule determined by the first letter of their last names. "Adelhardts" will buy tags in January and "Zrubeks" in December, and so on.

**1965**  
**November 25-**  
The St. Leo Circle, No. 644, Daughters of Isabella, celebrated their Silver Anniversary at St. Leo, Sunday, Nov. 14.

The observance opened with a mass at 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon, read by Fr. James

Wilkinson, pastor of St. Leo's Church and chaplain of the circle, with Msgr. Arthur Holtz, Fr. Eugene Robl, Fr. Louis Struble, and Fr. George McLaughlin in the sanctuary.

Following the Mass, a banquet was served to over 200 guests in the parish hall by the St. Leo Knights of Columbus. The tables were attractively decorated with fall flowers, candles, and anniversary nut cups and napkins. The speakers' table was covered with a lace cloth over blue, and was centered with a large decorated anniversary cake. Replicas of the Daughters of Isabella crown flanked the centerpiece.

Eight of the 12 Past Regents attended the anniversary observance, and were seated at the speakers' table. Fr. Wilkinson served as toastmaster, and the guests were welcomed by Regent Loretta Baker. The Past Regents were introduced by Scribe Bertha Jarmer, who also gave the history of the circle. Most of the 29 charter members were present to receive the 25-year award from Fr. Wilkinson.

The charter members include Loretta Baker, Rosa Becker, Anna Blasi, Valeria Bonham, Esther Beat, Martha Depenbusch, Pauline Depenbusch, Mary Eck, Anna Freund, Marcella Goetz, Mary Hauser, Louise Huslig, Bertha Jarmer, Frances Kampling, Rita Pulliam, Irene Molitor, Irene Schnittker, Dora Schnittker, Rose Spade, Nora Spade, Ida Theis, Ella Thimmesch, Nora Traffas, Rose Vierthaler, Angelia Timmons, Lena Wegerer, Marie Young, Helen Young, Dora Zrubek, and Christina Youngers.

The Daughters of Isabella State Regent, Mary Westerhaus of Wichita, was the guest speaker of the evening. The anniversary celebration closed with the Daughters of Isabella song and "God Bless America."

Junior Leaders of the Kingman County 4-H Clubs were present for the annual Leaders Banquet in Kingman last Saturday evening.

Featured on the program was a talk, "Citizenship Is For You," by Don Hellar of Cunningham. He also showed slides of his trip to Washington, D.C., last summer, where he attended a Citizenship Short Course.

A welcome was extended to the adult leaders by Judy Gillen, Junior Leaders Club President. The invocation was given by Steve Hendershot, and group singing was led by David Stucky and Jeannette Wimer. David Stuckey was master of ceremonies.

Recognition of years of leadership was made by Bob Robinson, who presented awards to community leaders, and by Lyndal Bolinger, who gave awards to project leaders. Pins were presented for five-year intervals of leadership. Fifteen-year pins were awarded to Mrs. Joe Pelzl of Cunningham, community leader, and to Earl Fieser of Norwich, and Allen Ridge of Penalosa, project leaders.

**1960**  
**November 24-**  
The Cunningham Wildcats will open their 1960-61 basketball season next Friday evening, December 2, when they play Partridge on the local court.

This is the first of seven games the Wildcats will play during the month of December. Alden will follow Partridge here on Tuesday evening, December 6, after which Cunningham will play two games away from home-Arlington, December 9, and Sylvia, December 13. The Wildcats will meet Fairfield South (Turon-Langdon) here, December 16, and will play at Fairfield North (Plevna-Abbyville), December 20. The last game before the Christmas vacation will be with Attica here, December 23.

Seven returning lettermen reported to Coach Joe Battles as basketball practice opened last week. Along with the seven were about 15 other prospects. The lettermen are Jerry Pelzl, Marshall Swander, Bobby Meyers, Eugene Huston, and Robert Leiter. The entire squad is in earnest practice for 16 games and two tournaments ahead of them in the next three months.

Coach Battles will handle both the first and second teams this year.

Changes in the basketball rules for the 1960-1961 season are mighty few, according to Coach Battles.

The biggest changes in the rules this year governs the out-of-bounds play when the ball becomes dead while a team is in control and no infraction or end of a period is involved.

Now any player of the team in control may make the throw-in from the out of bounds spot nearest to the ball when it becomes dead. This prevents the common practice of calling a time-out while in backcourt possession in order to resume play with a throw-in at mid court.

There have been numerous "clarifications" this year, Coach Battles continued, particularly in the charge-block situation.

More responsibility is placed on the dribbler. If a defensive player has established a legal guarding position in the path of the dribbler, he may move backwards or laterally and stay in front of the dribbler without being responsible in the case of contact. The foul would be on the dribbler, whose forward motion results

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in the contact. The only question now is, did the guard get I the position first-not how soon he got in the position before contact was made-and is the guard facing the dribbler.

However the defensive man is responsible if he moves in front of a dribbler after the latter has taken-off from the floor in a jump to shoot or to pass to another player.

Rules this year also provide a penalty if "time-out" is called from the bench. A coach so doing, will be assessed a technical foul. Requests for time-out must be made by a player on the floor.

The rule against travelling with the ball was re-written this year for "clarification," but Coach Battles said it was not changed.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Patton entertained the Past Matrons Club in their home Monday evening, at the club's annual Thanksgiving dinner party.

The tables were attractive with seasonal decorations of cornucopia baskets filled with arrangements of dried grasses and pods. Favors of coasters marked each place setting.

The evening was spent informally.

Walter Walker of Alamo, Texas, who is visiting his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Walker, was guest of the club.

Other members present were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wetherall, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. Loren Cooley, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Hauser, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bradley, Mrs. Laverna Bradley, and Mrs. Zola Pearson.

**1955**

**November 24-** Cunningham will greet Santa Claus on Saturday, December 17, this year, and plans are being made now to give him a big

welcome.

Heading the Santa Claus Day Committee is R. O. Underwood, assisted by Loren Cooley and Dean Cooley. S.T. Kincheloe is Finance Committee Chairman, assisted by Alphons Liebl, Rufus Leiter, Lon Hoagland, John Schnittker, and Ray Amick.

Dr. D.E. Thompson is Chairman of the Program Committee.

The Christian Women's Fellowship met last Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Seth Whitmore.

President Mrs. John Baber opened the meeting with the poem, "Thanksgiving," followed by the song, "Faith of Our Fathers," and sentence prayers.

Roll call was answered with "Cleaning Methods and Short Cuts." After a brief business meeting, Mrs. George Millhauser gave the devotionals, using the topic, "It is Better To Give Than Receive." Mrs. Dwight Lewis had charge of the afternoon's program on the subject, "Five Different Races." She was assisted by Mrs. Floren Rose, Mrs. Doyle Duff, Mrs. Everett Hauser, and Mrs. Bob Stillwell.

Mrs. Nellie Shelman had charge of the social hour.

The hostesses, Mrs. Whitmore and Mrs. Rose, served delicious refreshments of apple pie topped with ice cream, nuts and mints, and coffee to 15 members, five guests, Mrs. Albert Harris, Mrs. Emma Trail, Mrs. J.C. Whitmore, Mrs. Orval Spain, and Mrs. Jack Durall of Coats, and four children.

Monday evening Sacred Heart had an eight-point lead going into the final period, but Larry Huslig fouled out, and St. Patrick's went on to win the game by a 38-35 score. Sacred Heart's line-up includes Larry and Jerome Huslig, Kenneth

and Anthony Conrady, and Bobby Meyers. They are coached by Jack Meyers. A return game will be played with St. Patrick's School in Kingman, Tuesday evening, December 6, at 7:00 o'clock.

The Reno Telephone Association, Inc., is changing its billing and collecting procedure to its telephone subscribers on the Cunningham exchange after next Thursday, December 1.

The telephone bills will be prepared at the company's office in Hutchinson, and mailed direct to the subscribers. Each subscriber will be furnished with a self-addressed envelope with each bill for their convenience in mailing their payments direct to the office in Hutchinson.

**1950**

**November 24-** William Stanley, 81, of Villa Park, Illinois, until recent years a pioneer resident of this community, passed away last Saturday.

The local high school basketballers opened the 1950-1951 season with a 31-27 victory over Isabel High School, Tuesday evening. Coach Claude Westbrook's starting line-up includes Dan Kincheloe, Eugene Becker, Billy DeWeese, Leon Rose, and Richard Wells.

**1940**

**November 22-** The local high school basketballers will open the 1940-1941 season with Sylvia tonight (Friday). Coach Wayne Lyons said his starting line-up would include Junior Neagle, Austin Luce, Forrest Krug, Bill Stanley, and Doug Burchinal. Others on the squad are Norman Schnittker, Russell Stanley, Charles Cooley, and Calvin Nossaman.

Coach Bruce McCosh has lined up an imposing schedule for the high school debate squad this year. Members of the squad are Mrs.

Victor Miles, Philip Fee, Alvina Greiving, Grimes Pearson, Betty Amick and Bill and Russell Stanley.

New officers of the Evening Forum are Mrs. Ferd Burnett, President; Mrs. Sherman Kincheloe, Vice-President; and Mrs. Wallace Creamer, Secretary-Treasurer.

**1935**

**November 22-**Wheat is \$1.04 per bushel in Cunningham today (Friday).

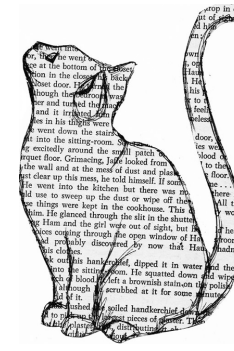
Dr. F.M. Stromberg, Osteopath from Kingman, has opened his new office in Cunningham.

"Ask the Professor," the high school operetta, was presented to a capacity crowd in the High School Auditorium last Friday evening. Members of the cast included Johnna Franks, Betty Anderson, Henry Pelzl, Warren Allen, Jessie Lee Lakin, Jean Fee, Wayne Lash, Charles Lakin, and Lola Shelman. The operetta was directed by Miss Gulah Hoover.

**1930**

**November 21-**The Junior Class presented the comedy-drama, "Honor Bright," to a capacity audience in the High School Auditorium, Tuesday evening. Members of the cast were Wayne Sellon, Orville Shelman, Lynn Groom, Marjorie Anderson, John Vermillion, Jo Marie Johnson, Aloysius Meyers, Lee Gibbersons, Margaret Ratcliff, Velda Huffman, Josephine Shafer, Helen Nossaman, Wilbur Slattery, and Cecil Kasterke.

The new Texaco Service Station, under the operation of Chick Howell, was opened for business this week. The new dial pumps, which are electrically operated, are installed at the station, and can fill your tank in half the time as ordinary hand-operated pumps.



**Meanderings**

Here it is another Tuesday, just after noon, and I am 'up in the air' about what to write about.

I should start with an apology to Ryan Hanhardt, owner of our local car wash. He called a couple of weeks ago on a Friday and left a message on the answering machine, asking to put an ad in the paper. He had been notified about a glitch with the car wash. He said something about point inceptors(?). He apologized for the inconvenience, and if anyone wanted to contact him about being short-changed or not getting a wash, you were to call him at (951) 445-5974. I returned his call to verify some information, as I didn't want to put in an ad that gave misinformation. I left a message on his voice mail, and didn't hear back from him, so I didn't put an ad in the paper. Instead, this week, I will run this bit for him.

If you had issues, do contact him. He sounds like a nice person who would be willing to work something out with you.

I can say I am a bit hungry. No, I am very hungry. "Writing should be done when one is hungry." so says the great Gary Paulsen. All I can think about is eating something. I can smell the lasagna in the oven, won't be done for about an hour.

No, I didn't make it from scratch, I bought a Marie Callender frozen lasagna. She can make pretty good food, Marie can.

I have a sick kitty. Poor ol' Chester. I always feel bad when my pets are ill. They can't tell you what's wrong or exactly what they want. I hope he pulls through this episode he's having. He's been 'off' for a few weeks now, but his vet, his very good, and wonderful vet, Stacie Swaney can't seem to pinpoint what it is that makes him have such digestive issues. For several weeks he's been "vomiting and diarrhea-ing" quoting a little kindergartener from my teaching days, but until these last couple of weeks, he has not acted ill.

Chester is my silly jester cat. He's 13 and 1/2 years old and still gets a thrill from chasing his tail, he plays and

jams around like a kitten. When I wake in the mornings, laying on my side, he's sound asleep on my waist or hip. He does NOT like to be held or cuddled. Just pet him, thank you. I know someday I am going to miss him, but I would like that someday to be five or more years down the calendar, not just yet.

That lasagna sure smells delicious and Italian. It won't be long now....

I'm back from my lasagna dinner. It was just okay. I should have made it from scratch...so much better. I have eaten Marie's meatless lasagna, and liked it, this lasagna had meat in it, I should have stuck with what I liked. I only have about 4 more meals before it's gone.... That is an issue when one lives by one's self. Too many leftovers. The dogs may get a bit of the lasagna by the time it's gone.

I will have a homemade cinnamon roll for a bedtime snack; thanks to Tiffany and Janessa Schnittker. Very good.

I'll have to think again about what to write...

I couldn't seem to get motivated, so I called my friend, Sue, in Derby. I am going to be in Wichita tomorrow, I told her last week that if my appointment was close to Derby, I'd drop by and visit for a wee bit. Today I called her to tell her my appointment was actually in Maize, not too close to Derby; so I would not be stopping by. We talked about our favorite game, Scrabble, about friends me miss, about our family and mutual friends. I sure miss Sue and my Belle Plaine and Derby friends. I will be glad when this mess is over.

Tomorrow, instead of going to visit Sue after my appointment, I am heading to Hutchinson to pick up the newspapers. Appointment details are for another column, another day/week. It does have to do with me missing the school play last week. I am so disappointed. Molly said it was delightful.

Always reading, and currently reading, "The Boy From the Woods" by Harlan Coben, (a favorite author) Roberta

"Writer's block is a fancy term made up by whiners so they can have an excuse to drink alcohol." — Steve Martin

"Nothing's a better cure for writer's block than to eat ice cream right out of the carton." — Don Roff

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JH Wildcats Begin 20-21 Season

The Junior High Boys basketball team started their season on Monday at home against the Macksville Colts. Macksville is always a tough matchup, but it is a great way to see where we are as a team in every aspect of our game. Offensively, the Cats got out to a decent offensive start scoring eleven in the first quarter, but defense was disappointing allowing sixteen. Part of that was due to the colts being a solid team with great shooting, but we expect more from our boys.

The next quarter was very different as the defense held up better and the Mustangs only scored 8. The Cats, however, only scored a three pointer and a free throw. Going into the half down by 9 was not great but it was obvious that as hot as Macksville was the first half it could have been worse. The boys rallied. The defensive

effort in the 3rd quarter was a vast improvement, as the Wildcats held the Colts to 2 points on free throws. The Cats ate into the lead by putting in 5 points. The Cats never gained the lead, however, getting outscored again in the final frame.

The goal at this time of the year is to find out where we are. The potential is there, but a very good team showed us we have a list of things to work on during our daily 44 minutes of practice time. Taking care of the ball, tightening up our defense, rebounding, and making shots under pressure top the list. The Cats look forward to the next challenge against the Argonia Raiders next week. Dagim Reed, Dylan Halderson, and Nate Sterneker tied for the most rebounds with 3. Will Wegerer led the team in steals which were hard to come by with 2. *by Coach Lance McGuire*



**Wildcat Scorers**

Dagim Reed	8
Will Wegerer	4
Wylan Betzen	4
Dylan Halderson	4
Nate Sterneker	2
Lucas Hageman	2
Trent Schnittker	1



*Above left: Wylan Betzen*

*Above middle: Nate Sterneker*

*Above right: Will Wegerer*

*Right: Dagim Reed*



*Molly Morgan photos*

TEAM	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	Final
Cunningham	11	4	5	9	29
Macksville	16	8	2	13	39

Photo Highlight from the Junior High Girls Game Against Argonia



*Ellie McGuire*



*Ada Adams*



*Elizabeth Paris*



*Ava Bock*



*Nora Huff*



*Rylee Miller*

*Molly Morgan photos*

Lance McGuire Named 6-Man Coach of the Year

6-Man All-State (2020)				
Overall				
Offensive MVP	Colton McCarty	Cheylin	6-0	190 Sr
Defensive MVP	Adan Granillo	Moscow	6-1	185 Sr
Coaches of the Year	Lance McGuire	Cunningham		

Honorable Mention				
Junior Cordero	Pawnee Heights	Util	5-9	180 Sr
Gerardo Garcia	Moscow	RB	6-1	205 Sr
Derek George	Natoma	Line / Rec	6-0	190 Jr
Lane Halderson	Cunningham	DE		So
Braton Kay	Ashland	Util	5-11	155 Sr
Trenton Kennedy	Moscow	DE	5-8	160 Sr
Alec Langley	Rolla	LB	5-10	160 Sr
Javon Letsch	Natoma	DE	6-2	240 So
Charlie Littlewood	Fowler	DB	5-9	175 Jr
Roberto Loya	Golden Plains	Util	5-6	140 Jr
Rojelio Loya	Golden Plains	DE/Ret	5-6	160 Sr
Kayden Martinez	Natoma	LB	5-9	225 Sr
Kash McPhail	Ashland	LB	5-11	185 Sr
Clay Preston	Northern Valley	DE	5-11	220 Sr
Mac Purvis	Weskan	Rec	6-4	180 Sr
Wade Rush	Golden Plains	Util	6-0	215 Sr
Tyler Sabatka	Cheylin	Rec	6-0	175 Sr
Daylen Schnittker	Cunningham	RB	6-0	175 Sr



CHS construction class is making steady progress on their cabin. Front row: Max Wegerer, Henry Huelskamp, Daylen Schnittker, Jon Ruckle Back row: Mackenzie Wright, Ethan Paris, Evan Paris, Nathan Lohrke There are others in this class, taught by Sebastian Huelskamp, who were absent when this picture was taken.

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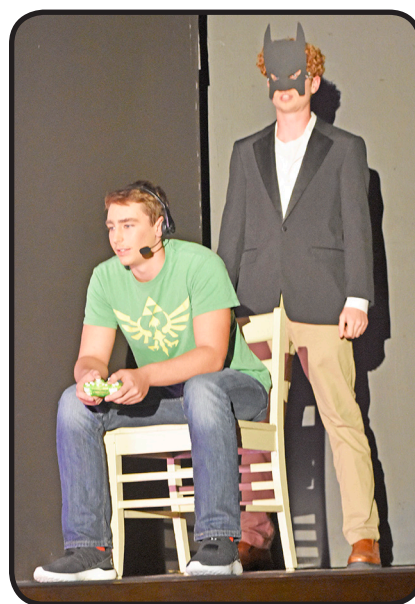
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Luke McGuire as Taylor, a friend to Micah Burke



Alice Huelskamp as "Amazon"



Lane Halderson and Isaiah Reed as Batman



Madison McGuire as Rachel



Alayna McGuire playing Micah Burke gets busted for surfing the internet instead of working on her Great Gatsby homework by 'Mom' Reese McGuire.

Molly Morgan photos



Lane Halderson playing Nina-but-Russian



Henry Huelskamp as 'Google' and Micah Burke (Alayna McGuire)

I do love school plays. I am heartily sorry I missed this one. I've pieced together some captions based on what Molly told me and by reading the program.

Rebecca Huelskamp is a stand-out director, and I am sure this was her usual standout fare. Thank you, Mrs. Huelskamp. Thank you cast and crew. Nothing beats live theater.

the editor



Cast (not in order) Trey DeWeese, Brianna Dittmer, Hannah Ellis, Lane Halderson, Abby Hansen, Joanna Hansen, Alice Huelskamp, Henry Huelskamp, Maranda Lohrke, Alayna McGuire, Luke McGuire, Madison McGuire, Reese McGuire, Kendra Morgan, Ethan Paris, Isaiah Reed, Daylen Schnittker, Taylor Schultz, and Scott Wyatt



Behind the scenes crew members (not in order; not all pictured) Shiloh Morgan, Shanelle Romine, Ashlynn Miracle, Kendra Morgan, Michael Willson, Dakota Mertens, Nathan Lohrke, Leo Hageman, Kory Morgan, Zach Strohl, Emily Huelskamp, Alice Huelskamp, and Henry Huelskamp

## County Commission Meeting: Oct. 26th

Quotes received from Kustom Signals Inc. \$51,034.92  
 All Traffic Solutions \$39,350.00  
 Stalker applied concepts Inc. \$45,600.00  
 Chairman Steffen recessed the board meeting to the Law Enforcement Center at 11:40 a.m.  
 The Commissioners

reviewed the Law Enforcement Center.  
 Chairman Steffen reconvened the Board meeting of the County Commissioners at 12:23 p.m.  
 Richard Schott, Emergency Manager was in to let the Commissioners know that the report to the state for Spark funding went yesterday.  
 Mr. Schott let the Commissioners know that the auto doors are being installed and the auto faucets and urinal should

be done soon.  
 Mr. Schott let the Commissioners know that the vouchers will be submitted to the Clerk's office for disbursement through the next check run.  
 Mr. Schott discussed the speed monitoring awareness radar trailers with the Commissioners.  
 Commissioners asked if the trailers were necessary.  
 Mr. Schott let them know that more than one would be utilized because different directions

would need notification.  
 Commissioners would like Mr. Schott to get with the two lowest bids and see if they are comparable and if they can be delivered before the end of December.  
 John Nye was in with an update on the Spark funding.  
**MOTION:**  
 Commissioner Foley moved to accept the CUMINS contract in the amount of \$973.36.  
 Commissioner Henning seconded the

motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.  
 Commissioners discussed the distribution of the funds from the wind farm. Nashville would receive \$150,000.00; Zenda would receive \$75,000.00 and Spivey would receive \$75,000.00.  
 Mr. Caton suggested a resolution for a one-time grant to each of the cities and he will have it ready for next week.  
 The Commissioners

discussed the Law Enforcement Center annual contract with the City.  
 Chairman Steffen would get in touch with Greg Graffman and discuss the annual contract.  
**MOTION:**  
 Commissioner Henning moved to adjourn at 1:19 p.m. Commissioner Foley seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

## 2020 Farm Service Agency County Committee Elections Underway

Ballots Have Been Mailed to Eligible Voters

WASHINGTON, The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has mailed ballots for the Farm Service Agency (FSA) county committee elections to eligible farmers and ranchers

across the country. To be counted, ballots must be returned to the local FSA county office or post-marked by December 7.  
 "FSA has over 7,000 county committee members nationwide who serve their communities by providing input on our programs at the local level," said FSA Administrator Richard Fordyce. "We value their knowledge and judgment as decisions are made about the services we provide, including disaster and safety-net programs."  
 Each committee has

three to 11 elected members who serve three-year terms of office, and at least one seat is up for election each year. Newly elected committee members will take office January 1, 2021. County committee members help FSA make important decisions on its commodity support programs, conservation programs, indemnity and disaster programs, and emergency programs and eligibility.  
 Producers must participate or cooperate in an FSA program to be eligible to vote in the county committee election. A

cooperating producer is someone who has provided information about their farming or ranching operation(s) but may not have applied or received FSA program benefits. Also, producers who supervise and conduct the farming operations of an entire farm, but are not of legal voting age, may be eligible to vote.  
 Producers can find out if their local administrative area is up for election and if they are eligible to vote by contacting their local FSA county office. Eligible voters who did not receive a ballot

in the mail can request one from their local FSA county office. Visit [fsa.usda.gov/elections](http://fsa.usda.gov/elections) for more information.  
 All USDA Service Centers are open for business, including some that are open to visitors to conduct business in person by appointment only. All Service Center visitors wishing to conduct business with FSA, Natural Resources Conservation Service or any other Service Center agency should call ahead and schedule an appointment. Service Centers that are open for appoint-

ments will pre-screen visitors based on health concerns or recent travel, and visitors must adhere to social distancing guidelines. Visitors are also required to wear a face covering during their appointment. Our program delivery staff will be in the office, and they will be working with our producers in the office, by phone and using online tools. More information can be found at [farmers.gov/coronavirus](http://farmers.gov/coronavirus).

## Governor Laura Kelly Announces Nearly 2,000 Small Businesses Recipients of \$37.5 Million in Grants

~ Governor Kelly urges Congress to put aside partisanship and pass long-overdue stimulus package ~

TOPEKA – Governor Laura Kelly today announced that nearly 2,000 Kansas small businesses affected by the COVID-19 pandemic will receive a share of \$37.5 million in Small Business Working Capital (SBWC) grants.

"Throughout the pandemic, my administration has prioritized the efficient distribution of

CARES Act funding to protect Kansas' economy and ensure our businesses and schools can stay open," Governor Kelly said. "While I'm proud to announce that we have been able to provide relief to almost 2,000 small businesses, there are many more that still need help. Washington has been sitting on a second stimulus bill for months, it's time to put aside the partisanship and pass this long-overdue aid for the states."  
 Kansas businesses with fewer than 500 employees were eligible to apply for SBWC grant funding, made available by Governor Kelly's Strengthening People and Revitalizing Kansas (SPARK) Taskforce through the federal CARES Act.  
 Grant funds can be used to pay working capital expenses such as


payroll, insurance, rent, mortgage payments, utilities, inventory, and more.  
 "Through the CARES Act funding, we've enhanced our public health response, upgraded our technology infrastructure, made sure children could keep learning, helped businesses stay open and created jobs," Julie Lorenz, Executive Director of the Office of Recovery, said. "There are still many unmet needs and with additional federal funding and flexibility, we could deliver more investments to serve Kansans and industries that continue to suffer from the pandemic."  
 The SPARK Taskforce and the Kansas Department of Commerce will maintain the Small Business Working Capital grant program, as well as PPE Procurement and Connectivity Emergency Response Grant pro-

grams, should more federal CARES Act funding become available.  
 "Small businesses are the backbone of the Kansas economy, and they keep our communities strong and vibrant," Secretary of Commerce David Toland said. "We're glad to have been able to provide critically-needed working capital to nearly 2,000 businesses, but the need for liquidity doesn't end there. We need to have their backs. The Department of Commerce will always stand ready to assist businesses across Kansas, pandemic or not."  
 The online application process for several other SPARK grant programs remain active. Details are available at [www.kansascommerce.gov/covidrelief](http://www.kansascommerce.gov/covidrelief).

## Latest COVID Update from Kingman County Health Department

November 16, 2020  
 We are long overdue for an update. As of 4:45 this afternoon, we have 68 active cases of COVID-19 in Kingman County. Of those, 5 people are hospitalized. We currently have 3 deaths that have been verified by healthcare providers and by death certificate. We have noted that several cases have been identified through KDHE contact tracers who have identified symptomatic contacts of people testing positive for COVID-19. COVID-19 is contagious, and we must continue to take action to protect each other: Staying home when sick (and calling your healthcare provider for guidance), avoiding crowds, wearing a mask when not able to socially distance, and taking isolation and quarantine seriously when sick or identified as a close contact to someone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19.

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- Volunteers will not enter homes, just simply dropping purchases off.

This is the initial task we've chosen to take on but will consider others as needs arise.

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CASE NO. 2020 PR 34

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on October 28, 2020, a petition was filed in this Court by James Noblit, Ginger Robinson and Ray Noblit, heirs, devisees and legatees and Co-Executor's named in the "Last Will and Testament of Michael A. Noblit," deceased, dated January 10, 2020, praying the will filed with the petition be admitted to probate and record; Co-Petitioner's be appointed as Co-Executor's, without bond; and Co-Petitioner's be granted Letters Testamentary.

You are required to file your written defenses there-

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James Noblit, Ginger Robinson and Ray Noblit, Co-Petitioners  
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# Celebrations of Life

## Beverly Branscom

Beverly Jeanene Branscom, 88, passed away November 10, 2020, at Hospice House, Hutchinson. She was born September 7, 1932, at The Salvation Army Hospital in Wichita.



Beverly was a 1950 graduate of Turon High School. During the Christmas season, Beverly helped with the gift distribution at The Salvation Army. She delivered meals for Meals on Wheels and was a former shareholder in Hilltop Manor, Inc., in Cunningham. Beverly attended various athletic events at Hutchinson Community College, was an avid supporter of the Blue Dragons, and a member of the college's Quarterback Club. She was a member of the South Hutchinson United Methodist Church, and was a tireless 'pie maker' at the church's Kansas State Fair cafeteria.

She enjoyed working and volunteering, but her most precious moments were when she was supporting the activities of her family. She, along with her husband, Dean, could be seen sitting in the bleachers cheering on their grandkids and great-grandkids at just about every game or activity. She was proud to be their '#1 fan'.

On October 8, 1950, Beverly married Gilbert Dean Branscom, in Turon. They shared over 70 years of marriage.

She is survived by: husband, Dean Branscom of Hutchinson; children, Allen Branscom of South Hutchinson, and Kathy (Scott) Hamilton of Turon; grandchildren, Casey Stiggins, Jennifer Shingleton, Allison (Jordan) Marshall, Katie Hamilton, and Conor Hamilton; and great-grandchildren, Skylar Shingleton, Clayton Shingleton, Grace Marshall, and Cooper Marshall.

Beverly was preceded in death by: her parents, Virginia and Dockie Gray; and a daughter, Shirley Stiggins.

Private funeral service, due to the coronavirus pandemic, was Friday, November 13, 2020, at Elliott Mortuary, with The Reverend Ronnie Dykes officiating. Burial followed in the Turon Cemetery.

To view the funeral service online, the link is available at the end of Beverly's obituary on the Elliott Mortuary website. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to The Salvation Army or South Hutchinson United Methodist Church, in care of Elliott Mortuary and Crematory, 1219 N. Main, Hutchinson, KS 67501.

## Mary Ann Ebenkamp

Mary Ann Ebenkamp, 92, of Pampa, passed away, November 14, 2020 in Amarillo.



Funeral Mass was held on November 17, 2020 at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church with Rev. Francisco Perez, pastor, officiating, and Rev. John Valdez of St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, assisting. Burial followed at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mary Ann was born on May 1, 1928 in Nashville, Kansas to Anton and Marie Ann Panek. She grew up and attended school in Kansas. She later met the love of her life, Lawrence J. Ebenkamp and they later wed on September 8, 1947 in St. Leo, Kansas. A few years later they moved to Pampa in 1958 where they resided ever since. They shared many wonderful years before Lawrence preceded her in death after 52 years of marriage. She was longtime member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church and she served in their Women's Council.

She was a generous woman who gave a lot of her time to Pampa Senior Citizens and Good Sam's that spanned 22 years. The most important thing was her family and Mary Ann was an incredibly supportive mother to her six sons and their families. She will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; a grandson, Jason Ebenkamp; a daughter-in-law, D'lyn Ebenkamp; three brothers; and her two sisters.

Her survivors include six sons, Ron Ebenkamp and wife Dana of Thornton, Colorado, Michael "Mickey" Ebenkamp and wife Kayla of Canyon, Bob Ebenkamp and wife Linda of Amarillo, Allen Ebenkamp and wife Jill of Canyon, Mark Ebenkamp and wife Misti of Amarillo, and Kevin Ebenkamp and wife Daphne of Pampa; a brother, Leroy Panek of Cunningham, Kansas; her 18 grandchildren; by 12 great-grandchildren; and other extended family.

Memorials can be made to Pampa Senior Citizens, P.O. Box 475 Pampa, TX 79066-0475, Good Sam's, 309 N. Ward St. Pampa, TX 79065, or St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 810 W. 23rd St. Pampa, TX 79065.

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## Jack Clouse

Jack E. Routh, 97, died Nov. 12, 2020 at Wichita.



He was born April 3, 1923, at Cheney, Kansas the son of Ross and Leota Morss Bynum. A longtime Kingman resident he retired from Augden-Kostner John Deere.

Jack was a member of the Kingman Christian Church, Ninescah Lodge #230, was a Master Pilot and was a veteran of the Army Air Corp.

On June 1, 1941, he married Martha June Anderson at Kingman; she died March 13, 2012. Survivors include sons John S., Hutchinson and Jack W. Three Rivers, California; daughters Judy Kirkman, Olathe, Jeanne Asbury and Jo Routh, both of Pratt and Jenny Clouse, Kingman; 13 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and 4 great-great-grandchildren.

Family services will be held at a later date. Burial will be in the Walnut Hill Cemetery.

Memorials may be made with the Kingman Carnegie Library in care of the funeral home.

## Sarah Tatro

Sarah Adelaide Tatro, 95, died Friday, Nov. 13, 2020 at the Wheatlands Health Care Center, Kingman.



She was born July 15, 1925, at Garden City, Kansas the daughter of Horace and Mabel Jones Foster. A longtime resident of the Kingman community, she was a homemaker.

Adelaide was a member of the St. Patrick Catholic Church, the Altar Society and the Daughters of Isabella, all of Kingman.

On June 3, 1946 she was united in marriage to George L. Tatro at Garden City, Kansas; he died Jan. 22, 2002. Survivors include sons, Fr. Tim Tatro, and Tom Tatro with wife Barb; daughters Teresa Tatro and Tonya Arnett and her husband Raymond; daughter-in-law Jantamast Tatro; 11 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren. She was also preceded in death by a son Ted Tatro; a sister Lillian Eva; and brother Edgar Clemmons.

Parish rosary will be 10:00 a.m. Friday, Nov. 20, 2020 with the Mass of Christian Burial following at 10:30 a.m., both at St. Patrick Catholic Church. Friends may call from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 19, 2020 at the Livingston Funeral Home with the family present from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Burial will be in the St. Peter Cemetery, Willowdale.

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Sophia and Kaylynn Freund were born on November 1, 2020. Miss Sophia weighed 6 lbs and 1 oz., her little sister weighed 5 lbs and 10 oz. Their proud parents are Chante and Cordell Freund of Kingman, Ks. In addition to their parents, the young missies were welcomed home by big brother, Liam, age 3. Grandparents doing the worshipping are Jennifer and Doug Freund, Pratt, and Tabitha and Jason Rinke, Kingman. Very proud great-grandparents are Clara Mae and Eugene Freund of Nashville, Thomas Castleberry of Kingman and Marsha Belt of Oklahoma City.