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## Minutes from Kingman County Commission for April 25, 2022

Chairman Foley called the Board of County Commissioners meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Visitors: Bob Morris, Kingman Leader-Courier; Larry Landwehr; Kallie Turner, Extension Agent; Darla Harbert, Extension Board; Keith Bergkamp, Extension Board; Dianna Kirk, Extension Board and Aaron Murphy, Cunningham City.

Online Visitors: Caller 01; Joyce; Heather Kinsler; Shanna Henry and Trisha Rose.

Staff: Sheriff Randy Hill; Mary Schwartz, Health Nurse; Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer; Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director and Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer.

Chairman Foley asked if there were any additions to the agenda.

Brandon Ritcha, County Counselor would like to have two atty-client executive sessions.

MOTION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Chairman Foley asked if there was any public comment.

Larry Landwehr discussed the letter to the editor that was in the paper last week.

Commissioners let Mr. Landwehr that they agree that the City and County sent a joint letter to KDOT that they are in agreement with the plans.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Thimesch moved to go into executive session with Brandon Ritcha, County Attorney to discuss pending administrative proceedings at 8:43 a.m. pursuant to the exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act for discussion of matters which would be deemed privileged under the attorney-

client relationship, and they will return to open session in the board meeting room at 9:00 a.m. Commissioner Henning seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners. Commissioners returned to regular session at 9:00 a.m. with no decision made.

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Commissioners signed county vouchers in the amount of \$67,578.96. Commissioners signed road & bridge vouchers in the amount of \$840,964.92.

Mary Schwartz, Health Nurse was in with an update and let the Commissioners know that COVID is now an endemic issue.

There is a second booster available for people 50 or over and immune compromised.

Ms. Schwartz let the Commissioners know that WIC clinic is usually Thursday and other days are considered with client conflicts.

Ms. Schwartz discussed that they have CareNet Clinic for uninsured Kingman County residents on the 2nd and 4th Fridays a month.

Ms. Schwartz let the Commissioners know that she held a tabletop exercise in March.

Ms. Schwartz discussed training that she has attended and what is scheduled in the future.

Commissioner Henning discussed the grants and the work that grants take are they worth receiving.

Ms. Schwartz discussed that she has an employee that plans to attend a continuing education event the end of April at Children's Mercy Hospital on car seat safety and special needs...G-tubes, autism-related issues, etc.

Ms. Schwartz submitted a Tri-care application for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the Tri-care application for the Health Department. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Ms. Schwartz submitted suggestions to spend grant money received.

Ms. Schwartz submitted a quote from Iconic It for a panic button and alarm system in the amount of \$1247.50 and \$30.00 per month for service.

Commissioners would like Ms. Schwartz to look into the extra monthly fees before making a decision.

Kallie Turner, Extension Agent was in with the certificate of proper functioning, certificate of filing County Extension Budget and the budget for 2023.

The budget request for 2023 is \$161,141.00 which is a 3% increase because they haven't requested an increase since 2019.

Commissioners discussed the increase with the Extension Board and Ms. Turner.

Ms. Turner gave her quarterly update to the County Commissioners.

Becky Luntsford, County Treasurer was in with an update on the tax sale.

Charles Arensdorf, Public Works Director and Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer were in with updates.

Mr. Arensdorf submitted the following permit:

R & B Oil & Gas Inc.-Road Crossing-Salt Water Line between Sections 19 & 20, Township 30, Range 9 (Rochester).

Mr. Arensdorf submitted the approval of the 2022 Surface Overlay Program Phase 2 with Cornejo & Sons LLC in the amount of \$1,142,984.50 by Brad Fagan, PE from Schwab Eaton.

Steve Bachenberg, County Engineer discussed that KDOT has new numbers for bridge #12 & #13.

State allocation funds of \$103,928.13 and the state will buy back at \$93535.32.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the state buying back the state allocation for \$103928.13. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

Mr. Bachenberg brought up a box bridge in Vinita Township that will need to be replaced. His suggestion was to place two 48" culverts for drainage.

Aaron Murphy, Skyland Grain was in to discuss the remodeling and new construction of the Skyland Grain administration building.

Commissioners approved the remodeling of Skyland Grain and new construction added to the Skyland Grain administration building.

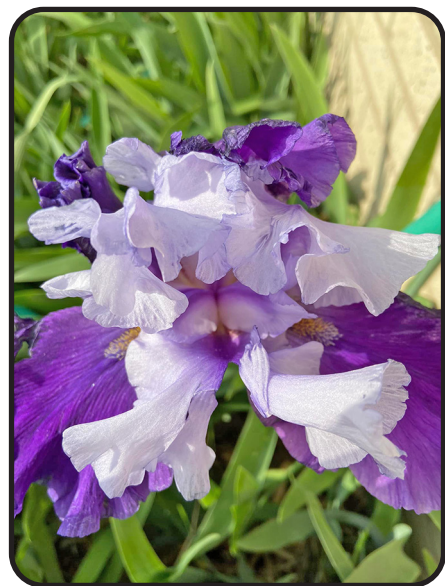
Mr. Murphy let the Commissioners know as Cunningham City commission that they did not receive any of the base grant funds. Nobody in Kingman County received base grant funds.

Harper County and Stafford County received base grant funds awarded.

County Clerk submitted the minutes of the April 18th, 2022, Commission meeting for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to approve the minutes of the April 18th, 2022, Commission meeting. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.

MOTION: Commissioner Henning moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 11:58 a.m. Commissioner Thimesch seconded the motion. The motion was approved upon the unanimous vote of the County Commissioners.



Kathy Hartley photo

### Happy Mother's Day to All the Mothers!



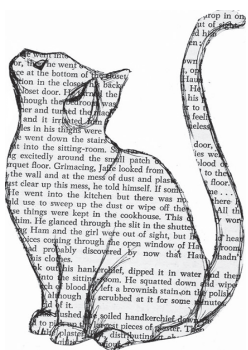
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Music program photos can be found on pages 6 and 7



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Meanderings

Remember we are meandering through Shel Silverstein's poem/song and a few memories of my life in the restaurant work.

*'The shaggy haired hippie he's finished his meal*

*And he's countin' the change in his jeans*

*Burger and coffee are 85 cents and he's only got 23*

*He smiles at Rose and she winks back at him but Lord that's a high price to pay*

*At two in the morning on Saturday night at Rosalie's Good Eats Café'*

After getting fired at

Pizza Hut, I headed home over the Christmas holiday and worked at the Hiway Café with my dad and sisters. I returned to Southwestern College in Winfield right after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year, and I spent January as an intern at the Kansas School for the Blind. As soon as I returned, I started looking for a job. I found one listed in the Winfield Daily Courier. Mel's Peerless Café and Bakery. Or just Mel's. Like the TV show. The owner was Esther Jayne Slagle. She hired me on the spot. Jayne was a sweetheart of a boss. Her daughter, Cheryl Lynn, became a good friend as well. They were very good people, and they hold a special place in my heart.

How does one get "Mel" from Esther Jayne? "Mel" was actually Mel Hatteburg, father to Larry Hatteburg. He and his wife, Mary, sold the restaurant to Jayne, but she kept the name.

I loved working there,

one just never knew who would walk through the door. I remember how surprised I was one slow afternoon when Bill Hergert walked through the door of the restaurant. I'm not sure, though, who was more surprised, him or me. We were both a ways from from Cunningham, but at least I had a good reason to be! He had been somewhere...Oklahoma? Maybe? And he said whenever he travelled through Winfield, he stopped at Mel's. It was a nice place. Good coffee. Good pastries. Good food. Good service.

Ah... then there were my former classmates of CHS. When I mentioned I worked at Mel's Café, they'd tease me about being "Vera" (played by Beth Howland) the neurotic dingbat of a waitress at Mel's Diner on the TV show. Great friends, those classmates. I guess it was a good thing they didn't call me "Flo." Although, I know they thought I was more

of an "Alice" person, it was just more fun to tease me about being a 'Vera'.

*'The baby faced sailor he leans on the phone and dials the number again*

*While the guy in the tux tells the girl in the jeans bout wonderful places he's been*

*And a wino comes in off the street and starts shoutin'*

*Bout fortunes that he threw away*

*And Rosalie's asking the shaggy haired hippie if he's got a warm place to stay*

*And the short order cook takes a five from the till while Rosie's looking away'*

At the end of the semester, I returned home to work at the Hiway Café. Returned to Mel's in the fall. Christmas time came, and I stayed at Jayne's over the holiday, and moved into an off-campus apartment when the new semester started. (Jayne had given me a set of her dishes she didn't use any longer. I still use those dishes, and

I think of her and Cheryl frequently) I worked at Mel's that semester, through the summer and the fall. Then off and on over the next semester. (I was also substitute teaching).

That was my last job in the restaurant world. Until. I returned home 25 years later. I spent one summer working at Racette's (the former Hiway Café).

Fast forward about 10 years, and I found myself working at the Two Palominos after my retirement. My first day waiting tables, and I was so incredibly, wonderfully surprised when Jim and Debbie Cain walked through the door. It was like I was back in high school waiting on them in Mary's Café. I laughed when I saw them. I think they were quite amused to see me there as well.

I worked at the Palomino's for a few months then moved on to other jobs until I settled on this newspaper.

I love this newspaper-

ing job. I love working at home. I love working by myself and for myself. But, honestly? I miss the restaurant business. I miss meeting new people. I miss cooking for appreciative folks. I just miss it.

*'And the onions keep frying the neon is bright and the jukebox continues to play*

*And it's two in the morning on Saturday night at Rosalie's Good Eats Café'*

Always reading, And currently reading Quinny and Hopper By Adriana Brad Schanen Roberta

*"Her recipe for the perfect waitress was, "two parts Walter Cronkite to one part Mae West, carefully blended with a cup of Mikhail Baryshnikov and a liberal sprinkling of Mother Teresa."*

— Danny Meyer, *Setting the Table: The Transforming Power of Hospitality in Business*

Tallgrass and Tumbleweeds

by Gaille Pike

Dear Readers,

In the past five days I logged over 600 miles traveling for both business and pleasure across eastern and southeastern Kansas with one excursion taking me as far as the Missouri Ozarks. Before the week is out, I'll log another 600+ miles crisscrossing up to northwestern Kansas. If I strung all these recent trips together, I'll have gone the equivalent of driving I-70 from border

to border three times. I can't imagine doing that, frankly. Sure I use I-70 when I must but I grumble when I do because I'm convinced it has played a role in negative State - Stereotyping. I manage to smile at Oz-wisecracks, but I bristle at the quip, "Kansas is flat and boring,"

You don't need to ride shotgun with me across highways, byways and backroads to know our state's topography varies

greatly from corner to corner and our landscapes are anything but boring. The negative stereotypes have been passed from one generation to the next. But this situation was made worse in 2003 when the media ran amok reporting "research" published by the ANNALS OF IMPROBABLE RESEARCH that claimed to prove "... Kansas is flatter than an IHOP pancake." Yet evidence published since to the contrary has largely gone unnoticed.

In 2012, KU researchers Jerry Dobson and Josh Campbell measured 48 states and the District of Columbia and then

in 2014 published their results in the peer-reviewed journal of the American Geographical Society (ACS), "The Geographical Review." Not only did their findings show that Kansas is NOT flat, but also they found Kansas does not even rank in the top 5 of FLATTEST STATES which are: 1) Florida, 2) Illinois, 3) North Dakota 4) Louisiana and 5) Minnesota. I'm not surprised. Are you? And they didn't stop there. Dobson and Campbell found that half of Colorado is just as flat as Western Kansas, which comprises only a third of our state. Maybe

Coloradoans suffer jokes these days from always being "a mile high" but for years it seems like their claim to "elevation" has been lorded over us.

One of the most interesting things about the Dobson / Campbell research is that they argue that the lingering stereotype has adversely affected our state's ability to grow and prosper, that Kansas gets passed over because we've so long been known as country one should "fly over." It wouldn't surprise me if that were still true. But on the other hand, I meet transplants all the time in my travels who have recently given living here

a go with an open-mind, so maybe our image is changing. While it's true that social media and the internet can do harm, when it comes to showing off our state, photos posted that show us in a true light can't go wrong.

But most Americans and especially those that only know us from I70 will continue to believe our state's flat no matter what we say or do. I guess what matters is that I know differently. And you do, too.

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



My Breast Cancer Experience: Part 22

By Beth Blasi 2021-2022

Here it is - the month of May. Let's see, there's May Day. I do remember actually doing a May-pole when I was little. Then there were times we delivered flowers on May Day. Of course, there is Mother's Day. I hope you have great plans for Mother's Day. My parents' anniversary was in May. School gets out. My dad would take us on a quick vacation right after school was out to get a vacation in before things got really hectic getting ready for harvest. And then we end the month with Memorial Day - a day to remember those that have departed from us. My mother

was always very good about getting flowers on the various relatives' graves in the various cemeteries in the area. Unfortunately, I'm not as diligent as she was but I do try to get to several of them.

Hard to believe that a year ago I had bi-lateral mastectomy surgery during May because of breast cancer. So far, I haven't really missed those chest bumps or missed wearing a bra or missed having that mammogram. There are certainly situations where some clothing would definitely look better with some filler in the chest area and some intimate times that something is missing, but for the most part it hasn't been an issue. Actually, many of those gorgeous models don't have much of a chest either, so I just pretend I'm a model (bwa ha ha).

My hair is actually pretty curly at this point and long enough to wrap around a finger - once. Not kinky, but enough to fluff out if I comb it right. My mom would put in a bunch of pin-curls to give her short hair some volume - my hair reminds me of that. It's also pretty fine and soft so far - not course like my previous adult hair. It seems to be pretty thick but there are a few stubborn cowlics that make it look like I've got a few bald spots. Just a little aggravating.

My fingernails continue to grow out. A definite ridge has developed between the new growth and the damaged growth. Some of the damaged nail looks like it could pop off like the thumbnails did, but I'm hoping they continue to hang on until the new growth can get to my fingertips. The new thumbnails are still struggling to get there.

One of my after-shock

challenges is, of course, my tingly fingers and toes, and nasty fingernails. I'm still avoiding washing any dishes as much as I can. I started a project in January that I didn't know if I would be able to complete because of my fingers. My sister-in-law asked me if I'd make a T-shirt quilt (Irish dancing) for my niece. I did a quilt (ballet & Jazz) for my oldest daughter right after I retired (only after promising it for many years!). My daughter's quilt took me about 8 months to complete (that was my first attempt so I spent a lot of time googling how and then planning how to arrange the various t-shirts). My niece's birthday is in April so that gave me a deadline. In January and February, my fingers would not have been able to "tie" this quilt. But by the time I planned it out, cut what needed cutting, and sewed the pieces

together, my fingers recovered enough to get it tied in March and April - a few hours at a time. I actually finished by the "deadline" and in record time compared to the first one I did! Now, I need to get working on one for my youngest daughter (another one promised for years). It's the getting started part.....

Easter came and went in April. I hope you had great Easter gatherings. The daughters and grand-daughter all made it. After attending church, fishing on Easter has become our family tradition with my brothers and their families. We've had great weather and nasty weather, calm days and super windy days, cold days and hot days. We at least try fishing unless it is pouring rain. My husband seems to be the fish whisperer - he usually gets the first and the most fish. Sometimes we spend more time fishing the fishing poles and lawn chairs out of the water if it's windy or if there are several young children. Always a good opportunity to touch worms and fish and dirt and water and all kinds of good things. The weather this year was sunny but chilly in the "breeze".

My granddaughter actually caught the largest

fish on the smallest pole even though her mother had to reel it in. But, at the age of three, she didn't want to touch it or get too close to it as it was a pretty big fish. My brother just said it must be genetic since it's usually my husband with the largest fish and now the granddaughter got it! Our great-nephew, however, caught the most fish and we debated if all his fish together even equaled her one fish.

Planting stuff has been haphazard between the cold, wind, and no rain. No garden stuff yet. I am trying to get my front flower area a little more organized. It's been a really hap-hazard plethora of things. For now, I have a couple of great mum plants so I plant other stuff around them. A few lilies come back as well and then I try to fill in the rest with annuals. Of course, the dependable irises are there (a few are even blooming). A lot of the daylilies that I moved around last year seem to be quite happy in all the various spots I put them (another very hardy plant!). Contrary to my husband's opinion - I don't kill every plant I touch!

Next Steps: Gardening and hopefully no new surprises!

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**Thursday, May 5th**  
PM PreK to Zoo  
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HS Awards Banquet

**Friday, May 6th**  
5th-6th Field Trip  
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3rd grade Kansas Kids Fitness Day  
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HS Track at Chaparral

**Saturday, May 7th**  
HS State Forsensics at Salina

**Monday, May 9th**  
Senior Sneak Day

**Tuesday, May 10th**  
Last Day for Seniors  
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7:00 p.m.  
Forensics Class Play  
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3rd-4th Grade Field Trip

**Wednesday, May 11th**  
Rain Day for Field Day

**Thursday, May 12th**  
JH Track HOPL at Stafford  
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HS Track HOPL at Stafford

**Friday, May 13th**  
HS Graduation

**Tuesday, May 17th**  
Last Day of School

*"Lately he'd been seen going out less and less, becoming that strangest of animals in a small town: a loner."*  
— Kristin Hannah, *Magic Hour*

*"In my hometown, the sky seemed endless . . . but there was nothing to see."*  
— Ryohgo Narita

*"When you finally go back to your old hometown, you find it wasn't the old home you missed but your childhood."*  
— sam ewing

**B-29 Museum**

is open on Sundays from 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Pratt Army Airfield – 82 Curran Road  
Visit them on Facebook at [www.prairiebombers.org](http://www.prairiebombers.org) for more information. If you would like to visit the museum at another time call 672-8321, 672-2444 or 620-797-2919 to schedule an appointment!

**Libraries**

**Cunningham Public Library**  
Mon., Wed., Fri.  
2:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
Tues., Thurs., Sat.  
9:00 - 11:30 a.m.  
Closed for Holidays  
298-3163



**Zenda**

**Public Library**  
Monday  
8:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.  
Thursday:  
4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Saturday:  
8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
620-243-5791



**Kingman Carnegie Library**

Mon. & Tues. 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Wed. : 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
Thurs. : 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Fri. : 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
Sat. : 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
620-532-3061



**Pratt Public Library**  
Mon. - Thurs.  
10:00 - 7:00  
Friday: 10:00 - 6:00  
Saturday: 10:00 - 2:00  
Closed on Sundays  
(620) 672-3041



**You Don't Want to Miss This!**

On Tuesday, May 10 at 7:00, the CHS Forensics Class will be presenting the play 110 Stories by Sarah Tuft. The play is based on interviews of eyewitnesses that were conducted after September 11. It will follow survivors recounting their day on 9/11, as well as volunteers at Ground Zero in the days following. Acting in the play will be high school students, staff members, and community members. Admission will be free for all. Free will donations will be accepted for anyone that would like to donate to support the CHS theater department. Our student and faculty cast hope that you will join us for an evening of remembrance and reflection over the events of September 11.



**Art Contest**

Pratt Art & Music Walk  
Theme: Our Town  
Three Categories:  
Primary School (PreK - 5th Grades)  
Secondary School (6th - 12th Grades)  
Adults (18+)

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in each category. Winners artwork will be showcased with picture of artists and artist statement at participating locations downtown May 30th - June 3rd. Drop off deadline is May 25th at ZabelJane's Gallery 1115 W U.S. Hwy 54. Judging will be based on creativity, use of medium, your representation and explanation of the theme, skill level and use of space (paper).

**Ashlynn Miracle is Governor's Scholar**



Ashlynn Miracle, daughter of Jere and Randall Miracle, has been named a Governor's Scholar. The Governor's Scholars Program has recognized outstanding graduating seniors who finished in the top one percent of their high school graduating class.

Other students in the area who were named Governor's Scholars are:  
Izabelle Youngers from Kingman High School and Sierra Dunlap from Pratt High School.

**Reminder: Ordinance Concerning Golf Carts**

For those who are unclear about the golf cart laws:

No golf cart shall be operated on any public highway, street, road or alley between sunset and sunrise.

Every person operating a golf cart on the public highways, streets, roads and alleys of the city shall be subject to all of the duties applicable to a driver of a vehicle imposed by law.

No person shall operate a golf cart on any public highway, street, road or alley within the corporate limits of the city unless such person is **17 years of age or older**. Violation of this section is punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment for not more than six months or by both such fine and imprisonment.

"Golf cart" means a

motor vehicle that has not less than three wheels in contact with the ground, an unladen weight of not more than 1,800 pounds, is designed to be operated at not more than 25 miles per hour and is designed to carry not more than six persons, including the driver.

It shall be illegal for any person to operate a golf cart on any public highway, street, road or alley with more passen-

gers than the golf cart is designed to seat.

It shall be illegal to operate a golf carts vehicle on any public highway, street, road or alley within the corporate limits of the city unless such vehicle displays a slow moving vehicle emblem on the rear of the vehicle.

Additional information:  
Also posted around town are notices that golf carts are not be driven on sidewalks.

VERNON FILLEY ART MUSEUM PRESENTS  
A CORRIDOR EXHIBIT FEATURING  
**Nathan Novack**

MARCH 25 - MAY 28TH, 2022

**Kingman Historic Theatre**

**Thursday, May 5th**  
**Special Free Movie**  
**Easy Rider**  
Rated R  
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Sunday at 5:30

**May 6th - 8th**  
**Morbius**  
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YEARS AGO IN

## The Cunningham Clipper

W. A. BRADLEY, EDITOR

### 1927

May 13– Tornado Sweeps Path Thru Kingman County – Leaving death and destruction in its trail, a tornado originating below Medicine Lodge in Barber County, last Saturday evening, raged through Kingman County about nine o'clock tearing down farm homes near Nashville, causing the death of one woman, then swept unabatedly through a section between Calista and Kingan, killing the small son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Williamson, and destroying several homes. After arising there, it swooped down again near Pretty Prairie, swept on through East Hutchinson and smashed its way northward through the sand hills bringing destruction to the country west of Medora and Inman.

The damage in Kingman County will reach close to the \$200,000 mark, it is estimated. Thirty or more farm houses with surrounding buildings were destroyed and in addition there was much small destruction of windows, broken trees, broken windmills, and damage to wheat.

The greatest damage is said to have been done to the Wagner ranch, southeast of Calista, where the fine modern home, barns, silos and other buildings were destroyed at a loss of \$30,000 or more. Many head of cattle on the ranch were either killed outright, or were crippled and had to be shot. The ranch was one of the finest in this section of the county.

T. E. Olsson, son-in-law of the Wagner's, farms the ranch. He and his wife and three children narrowly escaped death when the house was wrecked. The family sought refuge in the Northwest corner of the basement, and strange to say, that corner proved to be the only corner in which they could have possibly escaped death. The house was raised and hurled back into the basement, but miraculously the family remained unhurt except for minor scratches.

At the Bernard Williamson home everything was so completely swept away that it is almost impossible to visualize a home having been there.

Mr. and Mrs. Williamson with their two small sons saw the storm approaching and made preparation to go to the cave. But before they could get there, the storm struck, tearing the baby boy, 2 years old, from his father's arms, and carrying him 400 yards into a wheat field, where his body was later found. The older child was found in the ravine below the house, while Mr. Williamson was carried and thrown into a silo pit, 25 feet deep, where his leg was broken. Mrs. Williamson doesn't recall where she was carried, but was so battered and thrown around that she was completely dazed. All of their clothes were torn from them, and they were smeared and caked with mud.

At the Bert McBurney home, a mile west of the Williamson's, the father and mother, with their seven children, narrowly escaped death. The house and surroundings were a total wreck. It is understood the family were in bed when the storm struck, and when they came to themselves they were lying upon the floor. The walls of the house were broken down and a tree fell upon the wreckage. Under this debris the family sheltered until the storm abated, when they crawled out and started to walk to his brother's, a mile north. Mr. McBurney was pinned down by some limbs of the tree, but his wife was able to lift them enough for him to extricate himself. When the walls of the house collapsed, one child was blown away, and carried into a field nearby. Here he remained until the storm lifted, dazed, soaked with rain and covered with mud. When the father and mother gathered the children together to walk to his brother's, they called and called for the lost boy. Hearing no answer they thought him dead, but prone to leave without a final desperate effort to find him, the father called once more. The boy answered, and they found him, battered and bruised, but not dangerously hurt. All of the family were bruised somewhat, but none seriously. They walked to the Milo McBurney home in their night clothes, and in a down-pour of rain.

The Horner ranch, southwest of town was also destroyed. The roof was lifted from the house, and the barns torn down.

Damage was also done at the farm owned by Nick Weber, a mile and a half west of St. Leo.

It is thought there must have been two or three separate tornadoes, or else they were all parts of one huge storm, for sections of the country were hit, which were miles apart. As the storm raged through the county, it lifted at times and long stretches were passed unhurt.

Cunningham did not suffer to any extent from the storm. A very heavy rain fell here, however. Evidently Cunningham has had her share of tornadoes, according to what the old-timers will tell you.

R. W. Cannon loaded his old steam engine and separator on a couple of flat cars Tuesday to ship them

*Inquiring minds want to know... Was there a 'secret pal' club in Cunningham in the late '30s/early 40s? Are there any photos of the INSIDE of the old Cozy Cafe? Contact The Courier Office if you can provide any information. TIA!*

away. Ralph traded for a new combine and will harvest his wheat in the modern way. It will not be many years before a threshing machine will be a rare sight.

The grade and high school faculty motored to view the cyclonic destruction after school Tuesday evening and returned to the high school building where they ate a delicious picnic supper.

### 1932

May 13– A splendid class of twenty seniors will be graduated from Cunningham Rural High School this year. This will be the largest class ever graduated from this school. Members of this class are Marjorie Anderson, Bernice Baber, Walter L. Gibbens, Alma Leona Glenn, Velda Evelyn Huffman, Jo Marie Johnson, Norvin E. Lawson, Aloysius J. Meyers, Evelyn L. Millsap, Helen Nossaman, Margaret Ratcliffe, Mollie Vaughn Park, Wayne C. Sellon, Josephine M. Shafer, Orville L. Shelman, Wilbur E. Slattery, Marjorie Lyn Vermillion, Marie A. Weber, Rose K. Weber, and Josephine Zubeck.

Supporters of J. E. Oak, in this northwestern part of the district who is a candidate for the Republican nomination for County Commissioner, say they are backing Mr. Oak because he is capable of handling the duties of the office and because of his location in the district he would know its needs.

Mr. Oak lives and farms in Eureka township. He has had much experience in road work and in the handling of township matters, have served on the township board for a number of years. He has also served on the school board in his district.

### 1937

May 14, – Thursday evening, twenty-two Seniors will receive their diplomas in the Cunningham High School auditorium. Members of the class include Betty Anderson, Beulah Bainum, Nellie Mae Baker, Eugenia Carter, Evelyn DeLair, Priscilla Fischer, Joanna Franks, Eunice Harris, Delores Hellar, Velda Lawson, Eulanda Liebl, Edwin Leith, Frances Mitte, Dean Morton, Herbert Parks, Henry Pelzl, Junior Shafer, Raymond Shrum, Dean Toot, Oscar Tope, Victor Renner, and Maxine Lash.

A surprise farewell party was given Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Baber, who are leaving for Lakin, Kansas. The evening was spent in singing old time songs and roasting weinies, with pickles, cake, bananas, and coffee. Blanche and Everett were presented with an electric iron from the Christian Aid and Queen Ester Class. At a late hour their friends departed, wishing them success and good luck in their new home.

### 1942

May 8 – Gordon G. Talbot, 74, a resident of this community for sixty-one years, passed away at Kingman Memorial Hospital, last Thursday evening. He came to Kansas with his parents in 1881 and settled on a ranch east of Cunningham, and this has been his home since that time with the exception of three years which he spent with the United States Coast Artillery during the Spanish-American War. He is survived by his brother-in-law, J. G. Gibbens, three nephews and four nieces.

Thirteen eighth graders in the city schools will take the final examinations Friday and Saturday, with the grade school commencement exercises to be held next Wednesday. Taking the examinations this week are Norma Anderson, Eugenia Cooley, Jean Howell, Zona Harris, Clarabelle King, Bobby Huffman, Norma Jean Wilson, Helen Luce, Kenneth Cooley, Eldon Harte Jr., Jack Miller, Leonard Morrison, and Norbert Theis.

Private Herbert W. Park of Camp San Luis Obispo, California, arrived home Saturday on a ten-day furlough to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Park, and other relatives. Herbert left for Army service October 2, 1941.

### 1947

May 9 – Willowdale defeated Cunningham 5 to 3, Sunday afternoon, opening the current baseball season and Kingman County Baseball League.

The game was very well played for the first of the season with both pitchers being in mid-season form. The winning pitcher, Leo Rohlman struck out seventeen, and gave up six hits and walked four. Joe "Iron Man" Theis, fanned fifteen, yielded five hits and talked two.

Cunningham scored the first run when Cooley tripled to right field in the second inning, Joe Theis crossing the plate. Willowdale scored two runs in the fifth on a walk and two errors. Willowdale's Harbert opened the ninth with a triple which started a three-run rally coupled with a couple of local miscues and Rohlman's single. Cooley homered in Cunningham's half of the ninth with Theis on base.

### 1952

May 9 – The Senior Class, with their sponsor, Roy Greenlee, and Mrs. Bill Bradley, left Friday for a week's trip to Colorado. They will visit places of interest around Colorado Springs and Denver.

The Seniors are: June Cooley, Norma Watkins, Sally Stillwell, Sibyl Spain, Colene Fitzsimmons, Dorothy Wyer, Pat Oswalt, Marilyn Oak, Dallas Glenn, Bobby Helm, Richard Hazlett, and Lynn Glaze.

Off the Record – Many a man thinks he has a clear conscience, when he has only a poor memory.

### 1957

May 9 – A set of "triplets" was discovered at Cunningham Grade School last Friday, when three Second Graders celebrated their eighth birthdays on that day (May 3). They were Monti Miles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Miles, Nancy Willinger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Willinger, and Trudy Boswell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boswell.

The girls entertained their classmates at a party in the afternoon. Mrs. Naomi Huffman is the class teacher.

Airman Basic Richard Dunn Jr. has been promoted to Airman Third Class at Sheppard Air Force Base, Tex.

Fireman Sherman Ellis arrived home last week to spend a 30-day leave visiting his parents, M. and Mrs. Roy Ellis, and family.

Lieut. Tim Gillen of Cunningham, has been promoted to the rank of Captain. He is stationed in Germany with the Army Transportation Corps.

### 1962

May 10 – Cunningham will again have free outdoor movies this summer – every Thursday evening on South Main Street (paving conditions permitting).

These shows are sponsored by your Cunningham merchants, and will be shown by Woodrow Graber of Zenda.

The first show, "Tammy and the Bachelor," is scheduled for Thursday evening, June 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stone have closed their Hi-Way Café in Cunningham, and are moving to Ashland, where they will operate the Hi-Way Café in that city.

A new organ was installed in the Sacred Heart Church during Holy Week. The new instrument is an Allen electronic model, with two-tone generators, flute and diapason, and with Stereophonic sound.

### 1967

May 11 – A touch of Spring has hit the building market in Cunningham this past week. Re-modeling projects are underway on two buildings, DeWeese Variety and Hardware, and at the business property at the corner of First and Main Streets, owned by Everett Hauser. One building "bit the dust" so to speak, as the old frame building east of Baber's Sundries and owned by Ralph Baber, was torn down. The building, one of the real old-timers left in town, formerly housed the Haden Garage, the Eck-Kincheloe Implement Company, and the Square Deal Garage, operated by Floren Rose and the late Harry Nossaman, among other owners.

The Cunningham 4-H Club held their regular monthly meeting in the high school recreation room, Tuesday evening, May 2. President Monte Rose called the meeting to order, and 21 members repeated the 4-H pledge and answered the roll call, after which the group discussed summer camps and selected booth, tour, and queen committees.

Cynthia Mantooth had charge of music, with the members singing "My Country 'Tis of Thee." Project talks on cooking and veterinary science were given by Marvin Oller and Bob McGovney, and John McCune conducted music appreciation, giving a report on Richard Rodgers. Tom Strohl gave the parliamentary report, and Ilonda Woodson had charge of recreation.

The Dick Strohl and Joe Rohling families served delicious refreshments of candy bars and Kool-aid. – Linda Kampling, Reporter.

### 1972

May 4 – The annual dinner and meeting of the Cairo Coop Equity Exchange was held in Cunningham last Saturday evening. Over 500 members and guests of the co-op enjoyed a fine supper served in the school lunchroom by the ladies of the Sacred Heart Church, after which the meeting was held in the school gym-auditorium.

Paul Fitzsimmons was elected to a three-year term on the co-op's board of directors. Other board members are Lee Hamm, Galen Barker, Duane Bush, and Alva Hellar.

Door prizes included two five-day vacation trips to the Co-op Family Camp in Estes Park, Colo. They were won by Mr. and Mrs. Mark Osnter and M. and Mrs. Delmar Crick. Other prize winners included Paul Fitzsimmons, ice chest; C. L. Marteney, water jug; Henry Kerschen, chaise lounge lawn chair; Genevive Singleton, suitcase; and Al Joe Sterneker, two lawn chairs.

The Cunningham Lions Club elected new officers for the coming year at their April 18 dinner-meeting.

The new officers are Alvin Rohr, President; David Horton, First Vice-President; Dallas Thornhill, Second Vice-President; Fr. Eugene Robl, Third Vice-President; Larry Ruckle, Secretary-Treasurer; Ken Klufa, Tailtwister; Don Shorock, Lion Tamer; Jack Crick, Second-year Director; Gene Weniger, Second-year Director; Bill Cameron, First-year Director; Lynn Darcey, First-year Director; and Larry Nolte, Immediate Past President.

## Museum Hours

Contact:

Angie Mertens at 620-532-4354 or

Alan Albers at 620-298-2725 or

Mike McGovney at 620-770-9503



**Women's Retreat**

Saturday, May 21, 2022  
 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
 Cunningham Christian Church  
 Guest speaker and music: Kit Krehbiel  
 All ladies of the community are invited for fun and fellowship! Lunch will be served, so please let us know that you are coming so we know how many to plan for.  
 RSVP to Marla Rose 620-672-8356 by Tuesday, May 17th.  
 Free will donations will be accepted.

*"I love you when you bow in your mosque, kneel in your temple, pray in your church. For you and I are sons of one religion, and it is the spirit."  
 — Khalil Gibran, The Prophet*

**Consider this...  
 Jewel Cave**

by Mike Johnson

The motorhome section of the parking lot was huge. Although slow today, it was obvious that Jewel Cave, South Dakota was equipped to handle many RVers like us.

Established in 1908, the cave lies hidden beneath 1,274 surface acres. Over 80 miles of underground caverns have been mapped, making it the third largest cave in all the world.

Its carefully constructed elevator and walkway system allow visitors to drop 400 feet below the surface, entering a world of jewel-like rock formations that have remained unchanged for millions of years. The Rangers in charge of the caverns are especially touchy about preserving them in their pristine condition.

Several years ago, they were delighted to discover the birth of a small water seepage from one of the more fantastic formations. In an underground world that remains unchanged for millennia, witnessing this new birth was a stroke of geological luck.

Some investigation, however, soon turned their delight into dismay. It seems that the parking lot enlargement project had been completed on the surface -- where we had parked, some 400

feet above -- at about the same time the seepage started. The Rangers were horrified to discover that their unconsidered actions on the surface had created such far-reaching effects underground, damaging the very caverns they most wanted to protect.

Our everyday actions produce repercussions of similar magnitude. Nothing we say or do dissolves without impacting others. Often, these others are those we hold most dear. An unkind

word, a dishonest action or a harsh judgment, have equal power to cause unimagined, far-reaching damage.

Although the effect is not always apparent on the surface, rest assured, that like the caverns below, significant harm of some sort or another has occurred.

As we deal with those we consider to be the jewels of our life, it's wise to remember what happened at Jewel Cave.



Free Bread & Baked Goods at the Cunningham Methodist Church 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Tuesdays

**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 from 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.

**Pass It On®...  
 How Kids Have Used Their Imagination to Create Some of the Most Beloved Products**

We always talk about the beauty of a child's unlimited imagination, as if we long to capture and access those curiosities into our adulthood. It is indeed a wonder what children come up with. And maybe if we practice seeing the world through their eyes, we might see

the world differently ourselves---one of endless possibilities. So here are a few things born of childhood curiosity.

In 1905, 11-year-old Frank Epperson mixed a concoction of soda powder and water. It was the dead of winter, and he forgot about his little experiment until morning. Of course it was frozen when he found it the next day, with the stirring stick still in the glass. The Popsicle® was born and still delights children on summer afternoons today.

Christmas trees once were adorned with candles. The tradition of lighted trees dates back to the 16th century. In 1917, 15-year-old Albert Sadacca strung together novelty lights from his parents' lighting company. Imagine his delight if he could see today's neighborhood light festivals!

Kids invented the trampoline, the snowmobile, earmuffs, and even Braille. Today we see kids building wind generators to pump water, recycling plastic into road bricks, starting community gardens and even developing technology that detects cyberbullying.

Gitanjali Rao is the 15-year-old girl who developed the Kindly app. Using artificial intelligence, Kindly detects cyberbullying at an early stage so kids know when to tune out, call out or unfriend. Gitanjali was named Time Magazine's first-ever Kid of the Year. "Our generation is facing so many problems that we've never seen before," she says in the Time interview. "But then, at the same time, we're facing old problems that still exist. More than anything right now, we need to find what we are passionate about and solve it."

Imagination is an infinite resource. It prompted a young Benjamin Franklin to develop swim fins and, later on, hundreds of inventions like eyeglasses, projectors, even a lightning rod (don't try that at home).

In that deep well of imagination, we can find the solutions to the problems that plague us, even if we are getting a little long in the tooth. So the next time you see a group of kids lost in their imaginations, smile and ask: "Hey, do you mind passing along a bit of that creative thinking?"

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**Catholic Churches**

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

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

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

**St. Peter Willowdale**  
 Sundays 8:30 a.m.

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



**Lutheran Churches**

**St. John, Nashville**  
 620-246-5220  
 Sunday School & Bible Class 9:15 a.m.  
 Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

**Trinity, Medicine Lodge**  
 620- 886-3397  
 Sunday School & Bible Class 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship Service 8:30 a.m.

Our worship service is found on the YouTube channel at: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcRenCH1219nmpeojCFyYLA>

Pastor Dennis Fangmeyer  
 Cell: 620-886-0911



**Church of Christ**

**Penalosa**  
 Sunday 11:00 a.m.



**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



**United Methodist Church**

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

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

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 Ken Keeling  
 620-491-0680



**Men in Heaven - Who is the Head of the Household?**

At the end of the age when all the believers were standing in line waiting to get into heaven, God appeared and said, "I want all the men to form two lines. One line will be for the men

who were the true heads of their households. The other will be for the men who were dominated by their wives."

God continued, "I want all the women to report to St. Peter."

The women left and the men formed two lines. The line of men who were dominated by their wives was seemingly unending. The line of men who were the true head of their household had one man in it.

God said to the first line, "You men ought to be ashamed of yourselves. I appointed you

to be the heads of your households and you were disobedient and have not fulfilled your purpose. Of all of you, there is only one man who obeyed me. Learn from him."

Then God turned to the lone man and asked, "How did you come to be in this line?"

The man replied, "My wife told me to stand here."



**Fundraisers & Charitable**

**Opportunities in our Community**

**4C Day Care Shop** smile.amazon.com or contact Kathy Albers 620-298-2725 or 620-388-0774 or leave a donation with the Methodist Church.

**West Kingman County Education Foundation**  
 Use your Dillon's Card! Shop smile.amazon.com (to donte contact Janet DeWeese 620-298-2717)

**Hands of Hope** (contact any church)

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

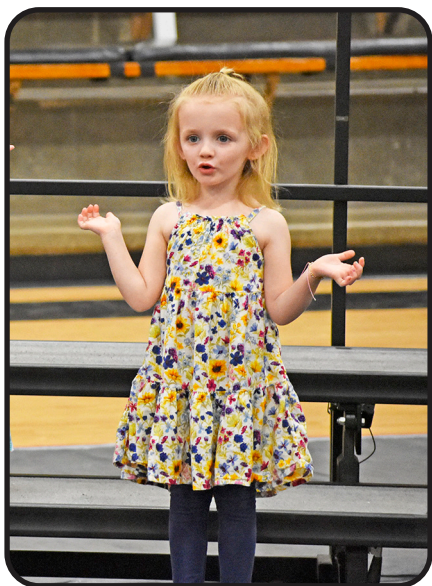
**Cunningham Community Center** (leave donation at the bank)

**Lions' Club** (Money is being raised to dig a well in the village of Kakindu, Kenya)

**Cunningham Museum** (to donate contact Alan Albers)

**Cunningham Public Library** (to donate, contact Kerri Steffen)

# A Day in the Life of...



Molly Morgan photo





# ...ME!

photos by Molly Morgan



### High School Track Team Competes at Stafford

Team results Track and Field for Cunningham at the Stafford track meet.

Cunningham Boys finished 1st place at Stafford out of 9 teams

Cunningham Girls finished 5th place at Stafford out of 8 teams

Cunningham heads to Jetmore May 3rd and then to Chaparral Friday, May 6th.

Cunningham League track meet is in Stafford Thursday, May 12th. The boys are having a very strong showing this season. We hope to compete and bring home the league title next week.

Some girl highlights from

Cunningham: Ellie McGuire second place discus 90'3" Maranda Lohrke second place high jump 4'6" Hannah Ellis second place long jump 14'6".

Cunningham boy highlights: Lane Halderson javelin champion 140 feet. Erik Paris high jump champion 5'10". Luke McGuire triple jump champion 38'6" Trey Deweese 400 m champion 53.03 boys 4 x 800 m relay champions Dagim Reed Keiden Mills Will Wegeger and Trey Deweese. Scott Wyatt 3200 m champion. Congratulations Cunningham high school track team.

submitted by Coach Eric Kerschen



Hannah Ellis



Scott Wyatt



Shanelle Romine



Erik Paris

photos by Molly Morgan



### JH Track Compete at Fairfield

The Cunningham Junior High track team participated in the Fairfield Invitational track meet on April 28, 2022. The 6 team meet consisted of teams from

Cunningham, Fairfield, Skyline, Stafford, Burrton and Central Christian. The Cunningham boy's teams placed second and both girl's teams placed third.

By Coach Bob Stackhouse

Results:

	6-7 <sup>th</sup> Girls	8 <sup>th</sup> Girls	6-7 <sup>th</sup> Boys	8 <sup>th</sup> Boys
High Jump		Emily Ogg 2 <sup>nd</sup> 4'2" Grace Hageman 3 <sup>rd</sup> 4'0"	Andrew Kerschen 2 <sup>nd</sup> 4'4" Cole Hageman 4 <sup>th</sup> 3'10" Adam Sterneker 5 <sup>th</sup> 3'10"	Skylar Thimesch 4 <sup>th</sup> 4'4" Logan Kinsler 6 <sup>th</sup> 4'2"
Long Jump	Piper Parkins 11 <sup>th</sup> 9'9.5" Makenzie Hartley 12 <sup>th</sup> 9'6.5" Janessa Schnittker 13 <sup>th</sup> 9'3.5"	Emily Ogg 3 <sup>rd</sup> 13'1.5" Grace Hageman 5 <sup>th</sup> 11'10"	Andrew Kerschen 3 <sup>rd</sup> 13'7" Gunner Glenn 10 <sup>th</sup> 11'2.75" Tyler Osner 18 <sup>th</sup> 9'2.75"	Skylar Thimesch 3 <sup>rd</sup> 15'7.25" Logan Kinsler 9 <sup>th</sup> 11'1.75"
Triple Jump	Macy Neufeld 4 <sup>th</sup> 24'7" Morgan Oldham 6 <sup>th</sup> 20'6"		Andrew Kerschen 4 <sup>th</sup> 28'8" Adam Sterneker 8 <sup>th</sup> 23'10" Caleb Lohrke 12 <sup>th</sup> 21'11" Brody Bock 12 <sup>th</sup> 21'11"	Kendall Rogers 2 <sup>nd</sup> 31'1.5" Andrew Schultz 5 <sup>th</sup> 23'7"
Shot Put	Kourtnei Fischer 1 <sup>st</sup> 28'3.5" Whitney Mead 3 <sup>rd</sup> 26'8.75" Nora Huff 5 <sup>th</sup> 24'4.75" Andi Young 6 <sup>th</sup> 24'4.5"	Kyra Morgan 1 <sup>st</sup> 33'8.5"	Stephen Kerschen 1 <sup>st</sup> 35'7" Layne Green 3 <sup>rd</sup> 31'4" Wyatt King 8 <sup>th</sup> 24'8.5" Sevi Romine 18 <sup>th</sup> 19'11.25"	Dylan Halderson 4 <sup>th</sup> 33'6.5"
Discus	Nora Huff 2 <sup>nd</sup> 65'2" Whitney Mead 1 <sup>st</sup> 69'9" Kourtnei Fischer 3 <sup>rd</sup> 65'1" Andi Young 9 <sup>th</sup> 54'6.75"	Kyra Morgan 1 <sup>st</sup> 75'11"	Stephen Kerschen 1 <sup>st</sup> 121'0" Layne Green 2 <sup>nd</sup> 100'1" Hank Adams 7 <sup>th</sup> 80'8" Wyatt King 9 <sup>th</sup> 77'3"	Dylan Halderson 1 <sup>st</sup> 124'9" Andrew Schultz 5 <sup>th</sup> 83'0"
100m	Brynn Wyatt 3 <sup>rd</sup> 15.46 Janessa Schnittker 16 <sup>th</sup> 17.84 Stasia Sheldon 19 <sup>th</sup> 23.71	Emily Ogg 2 <sup>nd</sup> 14.65 Grace Hageman 7 <sup>th</sup> 15.65 Bella Thimesch 14 <sup>th</sup> 17.32 Kyra Morgan 15 <sup>th</sup> 17.49	Stephen Kerschen 1 <sup>st</sup> 13.47 Cole Hageman 4 <sup>th</sup> 14.46 Tyler Osner 17 <sup>th</sup> 18.88 Cole Gridley 18 <sup>th</sup> 19.25	Richard Vaughn 6 <sup>th</sup> 14.31
200m	Brynn Wyatt 4 <sup>th</sup> 32.06 Rylee Miller 10 <sup>th</sup> 34.22 Morgan Oldham 18 <sup>th</sup> 37.47	Emily Ogg 3 <sup>rd</sup> 30.66 Grace Hageman 8 <sup>th</sup> 33.32 Bella Thimesch 10 <sup>th</sup> 35.91	Stephen Kerschen 1 <sup>st</sup> 27.6 Adam Sterneker 7 <sup>th</sup> 34.66 Gunner Glenn 10 <sup>th</sup> 35.8	Dylan Halderson 4 <sup>th</sup> 28.19
400m			Nathan Ndambuki 6 <sup>th</sup> 1:17.2 Gabriel Chapman 9 <sup>th</sup> 1:25.08 Myles Thimesch 10 <sup>th</sup> 1:32.10	Skylar Thimesch 1 <sup>st</sup> 58.13
800m			Jack Harden 1 <sup>st</sup> 2:28.6 Weston Rogers 9 <sup>th</sup> 3:09.62 Will Halderson 10 <sup>th</sup> 3:09.96	Blake Swope 2 <sup>nd</sup> 2:30.14
1600m			Jack Harden 1 <sup>st</sup> 5:37.46 Will Halderson 5 <sup>th</sup> 6:45.07	
100mHurdles	Makenzie Hartley 7 <sup>th</sup> 27.87		Cole Hageman 4 <sup>th</sup> 19.9 Kollin Fischer 7 <sup>th</sup> 20.71 Weston Rogers 9 <sup>th</sup> 21.79	
200 LH	Makenzie Hartley 5 <sup>th</sup> 42.51		Gabriel Chapman 5 <sup>th</sup> 39.0 Weston Rogers 6 <sup>th</sup> 39.07	Kendall Rogers 3 <sup>rd</sup> 34.61 Blake Swope 4 <sup>th</sup> 35.23
4X100 Relay	Oldham, Perkins, Miller, Neufeld 5 <sup>th</sup> 1:05.5		Fischer, Sterneker, Ndambuki, Green 3 <sup>rd</sup> 59.56 Thimesch, Romine, Bock, Glenn 8 <sup>th</sup> 1:09.58	Kinsler, Schultz, Swope, Vaughn 4 <sup>th</sup> 58.76
4X200 Relay	Wyatt, Hartley, Miller, Neufeld 1 <sup>st</sup> 2:13.62		Fischer, Green, Chapman, Ndambuki 1 <sup>st</sup> 2:08.72 Osner, Lohrke, Bock, Thimesch 4 <sup>th</sup> 2:25.53	Kinsler, Schultz, Rogers, Swope 4 <sup>th</sup> 2:06.22
Medley Relay	Young, Neufeld, Miller, Wyatt 4 <sup>th</sup> 2:32.45 Fischer, Schnittker, Parkins, Oldham 6 <sup>th</sup> 2:42.86		Fischer, Hageman, A. Kerschen, Harden 1 <sup>st</sup> 2:00.09 Osner, Lohrke, Bock, Thimesch 4 <sup>th</sup> 2:46.22	Vaughn, Rogers, Halderson, Thimesch 2 <sup>nd</sup> 2:05.38



Gunner Glenn and Brody Bock



Gabriel Chapman

photos by Molly Morgan



Will Halderson



Books give a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination, and life to everything.

- PLATO

### Kansas Teacher Shortage: Contradiction in Standards

How bad is the teacher shortage in Kansas? Across the state, parents and teachers and administrators are well aware that more vacancies are going unfilled these last two years. Therefore the press was eager to hear the K.S.D.E. staff report providing data at the April 12 K.S.B.E. meeting.

Vacancies were broken down by discipline. The teacher shortage last fall was compared with the shortage this spring. And we could see more resignations in this next month.

Into Fall 2021	
Special Ed.	269
Elementary	23

English/Lang. Arts	90
Math	83
Science	80
All	1,253

Late Spring 2022	
Special Ed.	305
Elementary	251
English/Lang. Arts	108
Math	94
Science	86
All	1,381

These vacancy numbers rely on self-reporting by the school superintendents across the state—a “trust me” system. I can confidently assure Kansans that these numbers are an undercount of the true extent of science teacher vacancies. This underestimation undoubtedly applies to the other teaching fields as well.

It is possible to go online and view the 286 U.S.D. websites and in most cases locate their science teachers and

what subjects they teach. A shortage of 86 would very likely be closer to the shortage of just physics teachers alone. The chemistry teacher shortage would likely be similar and the number of out-of-field or unlicensed biology teachers is likely well over a hundred.

The numbers of new science licenses issued each year began dropping after 2001. No Child Left Behind began enforcing state assessments and dictating what is taught. The numbers of new science teachers licensed has dropped well below replacement for the last 20 years.

The Kansas Board of Regents requests state universities report the number of teachers they have in the pipeline each year. That number has also trended down-

ward, particularly after the Kansas Legislature ended teacher tenure. Yet the numbers indicate possibly just enough to fill these vacancies. But that is always misleading because: 1) some students discover during student teaching that they don't like teaching and they complete their degree but never apply for a state license; 2) some students come from out-of-state and leave upon graduation, also not securing a Kansas teaching license; and 3) some new teachers are married to a spouse with a job in one location that has no teacher vacancies in their field and are unwilling or unable to move away to fill a distant vacancy.

When I began teacher training at E.S.U. in 1986, I tallied the number (cont on page 12)

We're making breakfast for Mom...

...and packing a picnic for the park.

# Newspaper Fun!

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Kids: color stuff in!

## Happy Mother's Day!

Read the clues to fill in the puzzle with things our moms do:

- \_\_\_\_\_ her bicycle on the path
- \_\_\_\_\_ in the lake
- \_\_\_\_\_ and folds laundry
- \_\_\_\_\_ stories with us every night
- \_\_\_\_\_ the flower box
- \_\_\_\_\_ sure we do our homework
- \_\_\_\_\_ cookies
- \_\_\_\_\_ us to feed our pets
- \_\_\_\_\_ us even when we make mistakes
- \_\_\_\_\_ the bushes
- \_\_\_\_\_ us how to take care of our things
- \_\_\_\_\_ at a business
- \_\_\_\_\_ at town events
- \_\_\_\_\_ us to the bus stop on time
- \_\_\_\_\_ for our groceries and clothes
- \_\_\_\_\_ and kisses us goodnight
- \_\_\_\_\_ summer vacations
- \_\_\_\_\_ picnics
- \_\_\_\_\_ us to the doctor or dentist
- \_\_\_\_\_ in the road race
- \_\_\_\_\_ and mops floors
- \_\_\_\_\_ flower bulbs
- \_\_\_\_\_ mini golf
- \_\_\_\_\_ the bills

Mothers and fathers are very excited when their children are born. It is a time of wonder and love. Our parents take care of us, guide us and teach us for many years. Mothers do so many things for and with us. Stop and think about all the time and love your Mother gives you. **What can you do to surprise her or help her out a little on her special day?**

Visit!  
Write a note!  
Who knew I had such a flair for flowers?  
I love spending time with my kids. Tennis anyone?

shops plans  
packs scrubs hugs works  
plays pays rides  
bakes pays loves  
makes reads  
washes  
teaches waters  
swims plants  
brings runs volunteers

## Animal Mothers and Their Young

Some newborn animals need a lot of care, while others can take care of themselves almost from birth. Every spring it's a blast to visit farms and zoos to see, feed and pet the new baby animals. **Read the clues to fill in the puzzle:**

Does this mother bird get to feed her baby birds? Or will the worm escape? We know that she's 'the early bird' because...

kangaroo  
opossum  
hawk  
goat  
bat  
cat  
beaver  
koala  
alligator  
dolphin

- this mother sits on her eggs to keep them warm, then spreads her wings to keep wind and rain away from her chicks
- this nanny watches her kid leap and jump on the mountainside
- this baby hangs by its toes in a cave: its mother hangs next to it to feed it and wrap a wing around it to provide warmth
- these babies are born onto their mother's tail
- this hopping mother has a large pouch to carry her baby
- this mother builds a nest of grass and mud to put her eggs in; when they hatch she tears the nest open
- her young can hang upside down by their tails - "look, ma, no hands"
- after this baby is born, others help it get its first breath of air
- this bear carries her young on her back
- mother carries her young by picking them up with her mouth

Start  
Escape  
Peep! Peep!

## Mother, Mom, Ma!

We call our moms by many affectionate names. In the animal kingdom there are special names for animal mothers and their young. **Can you match these?**

- |             |             |
|-------------|-------------|
| 1. doe      | A. foal     |
| 2. mare     | B. duckling |
| 3. frog     | C. gosling  |
| 4. duck     | D. fawn     |
| 5. kangaroo | E. tadpole  |
| 6. goose    | F. joey     |

So smart!  
So friendly!  
So big!  
So fast!  
So clever!  
Gee whiz, Ma!

- |            |           |
|------------|-----------|
| 1. ewe     | A. chick  |
| 2. cow     | B. lamb   |
| 3. hen     | C. cub    |
| 4. lioness | D. piglet |
| 5. sow     | E. owlet  |
| 6. owl     | F. calf   |

(Answers on page 10)



### Wheat Scoop: Wheat Foods Council Meets in Napa for the Future of Food Forum

Chefs, food marketers, millers and other wheat industry representatives came together in Napa, California, on April 11 to 14 for the Wheat Foods Council's Chef Workshop and first Future of Food Forum. This seminar was insightful and provided a chance to advocate wheat foods to key people in the food industry.

At the Chef Workshop, chefs from major fast-food chains, restaurants from around the country and other food service businesses got to learn more about ingredients, create food from other cultures, and collaborate with others. The Wheat Foods Council chose these chefs to participate in the Chef Workshop because of their influence on their companies. The Culinary Institute of America's (CIA) Copia campus provided state-of-the-art kitchens and a wide array of spices and ingredients and professional chefs with real world experiences to teach the participants.

Cindy Falk, Kansas Wheat Nutrition Educator, and event attendee, said "The talented chefs used a variety

of wheat-based ingredients, various seasonings and cooking techniques to create pleasing flavor combinations and elegant plates that looked like works of art."

On the last day, the Wheat Foods Council had their First Future of Food Forum. This included a panel discussion with various professionals included farmers, millers, food marketing, food packaging and one of the professional chefs from CIA. Barb Stuckey from Mattson shared her insights on the latest in food trends and explained how food goes from development and research to shelves. Tim York from the Leafy Greens Marketing Agreement explained food safety and business transparency. Hayden Wands from

Grupo Bimbo explained how COVID, labor shortages and geopolitical disputes have been putting mills in tough situations and how it might impact consumers down the line. Master Chef Victor Gielisse of the CIA shared about building a quality work environment. He further explained the CIA's "Plant Forward" initiative, where they do not eliminate meat, but focus on the plant-based aspects. Finally, Ron Suppes, farmer from Dighton, Kansas, and board member for the Kansas Wheat Commission spoke about his farm. He showed the group a price comparison of fertilizer from a few months prior and prices today. This visual really drove in the point that despite high commodity

prices, the input price increase is not linear and costs of farming are getting out of hand. He advocated for the work researchers are doing on wheat to help farmers find solutions and ways to use fewer inputs but still achieve high quality wheat.

After everyone spoke, the room was opened for questions for the speakers.

A common theme throughout both the Chef Workshop and Future of Food Forum was sustainability, from farming, milling, food packaging and cooking. Everyone along the supply lines is working hard to make sure society is getting safe, quality food without compromising the land. The discussion with panelists examined how

generations viewed sustainability and how they relate to trends. Everyone provided great input on what is important in their respective part of the food supply chain regarding sustainability, and it helped everyone understand what each other's role involves.

The event was an excellent opportunity for everyone to gather and learn about food while connecting with others in different industries. The goal for events such as these is to help close the gap between consumers and producers.

For more information about the Wheat Foods Council check out their website [wheatfoods.org](http://wheatfoods.org).

Written by Mary Marsh, Kansas Wheat

### Kansas Teacher Shortage

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of physics vacancies in the state and discovered that there were more than enough Kansas-licensed physics teachers to fill those vacancies. But it would likely take three such teachers graduated annually to fill one new vacancy because of the above factors.

The result is that Kansas will have a growing number of unqualified teachers in many classrooms for the foreseeable future.

As a possible solu-

tion, the Board was presented a scenario of four teachers: A-B-C-D. A and B were fully licensed while C and D were not licensed in their field. They could all cooperate together, helping each other, and cover their four sets of classes with some supposed professional integrity. The problem is that Kansas has a large number of very small rural schools where their only teachers are now C and D. The few licensed teachers in the building are in no way able to extend their expertise to the babysitters. While the elite Johnson

County, Maize and other rich schools hire away more of the remaining licensed teachers, the smaller rural schools are left giving their students a 1930s education. Kansas is in desperate need of school consolidation, which would make our remaining qualified teachers stretch further.

The ultimate irony of the K.S.B.E. meeting is that the Commissioner had just described that morning how Kansas had the highest standards for 8th Grade Reading in the country. Kansas exceeded the other 49 states and District of Columbia,

based on a determination by the U.S. Department of Statistics for the National Assessment of Educational Progress.

But what use is having the highest standards in the nation on paper, when Cousin Bubba needs barely more than a heartbeat to babysit our students? Having qualified teachers in the classroom is everything.

by John Richard Schrock,

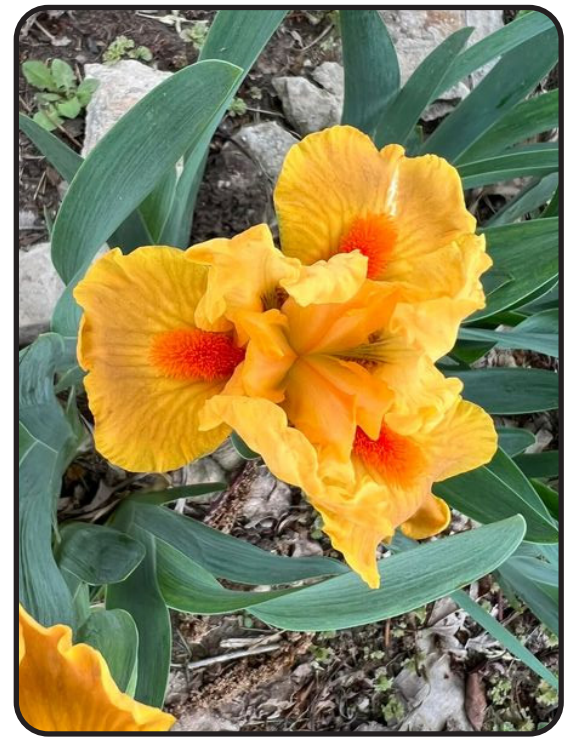


photo by Jay Swan

## Kingman County Humane Society Pets for Adoption

### Rufus

Sponsored by Baker Accounting



Male Pointer, German Shorthaired  
Weight: 67.8 lbs  
67.8 lbs  
Age: 6 years/1 month/1 week  
Adoption Fee: 180.00  
Intake Date: 3/23/2022

People friendly

Rufus is a great example of a dog who always sees the best in everyone and everything. He's no longer able to function as a hunting dog due to hip dysplasia and had to endure bitterly cold weather in an outdoor kennel this winter before he came to us but he still has a sweet disposition, loves his new blanket and just wants to please. If Rufus can give people a second chance, we can give Rufus a second chance. He's a silly boy, still full of life and will be a great family dog. Can you give Rufus a second chance? *editor's note: Rufus is such a sweet dog. I just love him. He needs to be adopted.*

### Nacho

Sponsored by The Cunningham Courier



Male Domestic Shorthair  
Weight 4.3 lbs  
Age; 8 months/1 week  
Adoption fee: \$75  
Intake date: 10/21/2022

You or your business can sponsor a Humane Society pet for \$10.00 a week per pet. Fifty percent of the profits will be donated to the Humane Society.

*"Learning how to communicate with animals is just like learning any other language. The more you practice, the better you become."*

— Karen A. Anderson

The pets at Kingman County Humane Society are in need of the following items:

- dry cat and kitten food
- clumping cat litter
- canned dog food
- Purina Puppy Chow
- long-lasting chews
- 8-quart stainless steel flat sided water buckets
- paper towels

bleach  
liquid laundry detergent  
poop bag rolls  
disposable gloves (large)

The items can be brought to KCHS at 811 East C Avenue in Kingman. Monetary donations can be sent to KCHS P.O. Box 103 Kingman KS 67068



Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, from 8:00 - 5:30  
(except during lunch 12-1)  
on Wed., from 8:00 - 12:00  
Call for Saturday hours.

1015 East U.S. 54, Kingman, KS

## Happy Mother's Day!

Visit!  
Write a note!

1. RIDES  
2. W  
3. WATERS  
4. MAKES  
5. B  
6. H  
7. TEACHERS  
8. RE  
9. KANGAROO  
10. S  
11. VOLUNTEERS  
12. W  
13. L  
14. GETS  
15. O  
16. HUGS  
17. PLANS  
18. I  
19. M  
20. BRINGS  
21. SCRUBS  
22. PLANTS  
23. PAYS  
24. PAYS

### Animal Mothers and Their Young

1. doe	A. foal	1. ewe	A. chick
2. mare	B. duckling	2. cow	B. lamb
3. frog	C. gosling	3. hen	C. cub
4. duck	D. fawn	4. lioness	D. piglet
5. kangaroo	E. tadpole	5. sow	E. owlet
6. goose	F. joey	6. owl	F. calf

In the animal kingdom there are special names for animal mothers and their young. Did you match these?

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## Minutes from Pratt County Commission for April 25, 2022

The Pratt County commissioners met in regular session, Monday, April 25, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. in the commissioner room, 1st floor of the courthouse. The following members were present: Rick N. Shriver, Thomas W. Jones III, Dwight Adams, Tyson Eisenhauer, county counselor, Lori Voss, county clerk and Mark Graber, IT director.

Heather Morgan, economic development/COVID consultant, stated the small cities were having problems with the reporting of the ARPA funds. She has sent Sawyer and Iuka emails with information to help file. Pratt County will be filed this week. Reported Commissioner Shriver and herself might need to get together to draw down next round of funding in about three weeks. Reported there is a meeting tonight with Historical Society concerning possible grant availability for heating/cooling needs. There are available funds through the housing department for housing in communities with less than 8000 citizens. She will help connect interested people

with the funding. Commissioner Shriver contacted the Coats mayor and he gave them her information for assistance filing the ARPA report.

Jon Roach, noxious weed director, reported the wind has halted spraying. They have sprayed around the lake. Looking into a complaint on a sewer system in Byers.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the minutes from April 18, 2022. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Tyson read the Pratt County Fair Association resolution concerning the cereal malt beverage license for the fundraiser at the fairgrounds. Resolution 04-25-2022 issuing a cereal malt beverage special event permit for April 30, 2022. Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve resolution 04-25-2022. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Shriver reported the road project meeting was last Tuesday, the road from highway 54 to the first driveway by the new public safety building is now closed

And construction has started. Reported on progress of the new public safety building.

Floors/carpets mostly

in. The doors are installed but not hooked up.

Darcie Vander Vyver, health director, stated the annual Family Planning Advisory Committee meeting is May 11, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. She wants to close to attend this meeting. They will be closed Friday May 20, 2022 for the South Central American Red Cross training. She asked if she should use the grant money for the sidewalk or save for the building expansion or use for another project. They agreed to go ahead with the sidewalk using the grant money. She presented two quotes for replacing boards around the building. Commissioner Jones recommended to get the boards repaired. Bids for repairing the wood around the building were opened. JA Knight Construction bid \$17,700 plus \$2800 to seal the wood. TK handyman Service bid \$16,582.84 did not include a price for sealing the wood. She is supposed to clarify the bids for sealing and check back with the commissioners.

Rich Sanders and Jack Galle, PRMC hospital board members, reported Jack is the new Chairman, Rich has resigned from the board. Discussed the PRRC building. Hospital board is paying the utility bill. There was some interest in the building, but

nothing lately.

They questioned if the commissioners have any ideas for use of the building. Tyson stated they need to strip out that piece of property before anything can be done with the building. He also reported there will be grant funding available in June for mental health use. Rich questioned who was going to take care of lawn care. Jack stated the hospital board is responsible for the grounds.

Dewayne Bryan, Pratt Health Foundation, reported on the Rails to Trails project. He stated the City of Pratt and Pratt Health Foundation will be supporting the project. He is hopeful other entities will also support the project. They will also write grants for funding. The legalities were discussed for easements, etc..

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the payment vouchers for April 25, 2022.

Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Jimmy White, Sheriff, requested a ten-minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Jones made a motion to recess into executive session for ten minutes at 3:15 p.m. to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Shriver made a motion to return from executive session at 3:25 pm with no action taken. Commissioner Jones seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Let the record show Tyson Eisenhauer, county counselor recused himself from the executive session due to conflict of interest.

Brian Atteberry, EMS director, reported he had received a grant from the board of EMS for two IV pumps. The open house for EMT class is tonight. Commissioner Jones made a motion to recess into executive session for ten minutes at 3:33 p.m. to discuss non-elected personnel. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to return from executive session at 3:43 pm with no action taken. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Jalaa Miller and Ryan Powell, IMA consulting, via Zoom, gave their recommendations for BCBS renewal. Justin Crouch, EMS employee, questioned the cost of insurance for employees, also discussed the two percent raise versus the normal three percent.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to approve the dual option renewal CMP11 and Option 2 CMR11. Commissioner

Shriver seconded the motion. Chairman Adams abstained from voting. Motion carried 2-0.

Tyson Eisenhauer, county counselor, stated he would not have an opinion on this subject due to a conflict of interest. Kevin Hamm, manager for blanket assess on behalf of Norman Mirsky of the new Burke's retail store asked if they could still apply for the revitalization program even though construction has started. Discussed talking about this project in 2019, put on hold because of COVID. With the cost of the project rising, they have cut the new façade. DJ McMurry, appraiser, received paperwork on April 14, 2022 and the project had been started at that time. Commissioner Jones stated this has happened in the past and they have denied those filed after construction had started.

He feels they can't make an exception. Since the size and the scope of the building has not changed the commissioners denied the request.

Commissioner Jones made a motion to adjourn at 4:52 p.m. Commissioner Shriver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 4:52 p.m.



## The Leaving in Legacy

Jackie Mundt, Pratt County farmer and rancher

The saying, "farmers never retire, they farm until they die," is accurate for my paternal grandfather.

Grandpa turned 95 this winter and outside a short Navy deployment at the end of World War II, he has farmed all his life. He is the picture of work ethic and steadfastness: employed full-time at a paper mill while milking cows every day for 40-plus years of his life. In the early 2000s, grandma decided it was time for them to retire and sell milking herd,

but grandpa continued as a crop farmer to fill time.

Last fall grandpa made the somewhat surprising decision to take a step back from farming due to his declining mobility. He has had less ability for physical work over the last 10 years, spending most of the time making management decisions and then "supervising" my dad's and uncles' work.

The irony of grandpa passing management to the next generation is that my 60+ year old dad is starting to farm after having retired from a 35-plus-year career at paper mill himself.

My family's situation is a fairly typical farm transition. Our farm population is aging, with the average at 57.5 years old and steadily climbing

and the average age of a beginning farmer is 46.5 years old.

When farmers never retire, they run the risk of their family and business suffering through turmoil when they die. This potential has made estate and succession planning a common topic for workshops at just about every farm conference in the last decade or two.

Thankfully many farmers have heard these messages and taken steps to plan for how their assets will be protected through this transition. Even though my grandpa is still farming, he has had his estate affairs settled for more than a decade.

But assets are only part of a farm's ability to succeed and thrive. Knowledge, judgement

and the experience required to run a successful business can be the hardest things to pass to a successor. The real power of succession planning comes in knowing how people and businesses will thrive without you.

A driver for Marc and my decision to join his family's farming operation was legacy. We want to work with his family to grow and safeguard the farm and one day pass it on to future generations. Transitioning to the farm has revealed a pivotal paradigm shift for me about how plan and support succession.

Apprenticeship is a common succession approach with observation, assigned tasks and discussions with the current manager. There is value in this approach but it

falls short when people spend too long in this phase.

Marc doesn't work for his family, he works with them. His dad has intentionally stepped back from management re-

sponsibilities to provide space for Marc to run the business. His dad is an on-site mentor coaching and giving advice. There is no question about will

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## Kingman County Sheriff's Report

### Sunday, April 24th

Traffic stops	1
Sign Down	N Hwy 11 & NW 20 St area Kingman
Suspicious vehicle	NE 10 St & NE 140 ave area, Cheney
Trespassing	12000 block SE 20 St. Murdock

### Monday, April 25th

Traffic stops	3
Traffic complaint	NE 10 St & NE 140 Ave area, Cheney
Assist other agencies	NE Quivera & NE Shattuck Isabel
Public service	100 block S Gregory St Nashville
Traffic control	SW 40 St & SW 10 Ave area, Kingman
Vehicle disabled	SE 10 St & SE 60 Ave area Murdock
Vehicle disabled	1700 block SE 60 Ave Kingman
Vehicle disabled	NE 110 Ave & F Hwy 54 area, Kingman
Vehicle disabled	1000 block E Hwy 54 Cheney
Vehicle unlock	1600 block NW 50 St Kingman

### Tuesday, April 26th

Traffic stops	2
Traffic complaint	16000 block E Hwy 54 Cheney
Traffic complaint	2000 block W Hwy 54 Kingman
Traffic complaint	15000 block E Hwy 2 Norwich
Alarm	100 block E First Ave Cunningham
Animal	SE 10 St & SE 100 Ave area, Murdock
Fraud	200 block S Ohio St. Cunningham
Trespassing	400 block E Leiter Ave Cunningham
Trespassing	9000 block NW 20 St. Cunningham
Vehicle disabled	2000 block E Hwy 54 Kingman
Vehicle disabled	15000 block E Hwy 54 Cheney

### Wednesday, April 27th

Traffic stops	4
Traffic complaint	E Hwy 54 & NE 100 Ave area, Murdock
Traffic control	N Main St & E. D Ave area Kingman
Alarm	400 block N Main St. Kingman
Burglary	500 block S Main St. Norwich
Burglary	500 block S Main St. Norwich
Public Service	13000 block SE 20 St. Murdock

### Thursday, April 28th

Traffic complaint	1200 block E Hwy 54 Kingman
Assist other agencies	100 block N Spruce St. Kingman
Burglary	500 block S Parkway St. Norwich
Citizen assist	14000 block W Hw 54 Cunningham
Suspicious vehicle	200 block S Parkway St. Norwich

### Friday, April 29th

Traffic complaint	SE 20 St & SE 140 Ave area Cheney
Traffic complaint	N Main St & E Sherman Ave area, Kingman
Damage	400 block S Main St. Norwich
Suspicious person	NE 50 Ae & E Hwy 54 area, Kingman
Suspicious person	S Parkway St. & E First Ave area Norwich
Suspicious vehicle	NW 20 Ave & W Hwy 54 area, Kingman
Utilities	1400 block N Spruce St Kingman
Vehicle disabled	@ MM 185

### Saturday, April 30th

Traffic stops	7
Traffic complaint	3000 block W Hwy 54 Kingman
Alarm	100 block S Gregory St Nashville
Citizen assist	2000 block N Main St. Kingman
Disturbance - noise	15000 block NE 50 St. Cheney
Disturbance	4000 block NE 10 St Kingman
Suspicious vehicle	14000 block SE 100 St. Norwich
Unlock vehicle	3000 block SE 70 St. Kingman

Support during a child's mental health crisis is a phone call away.

1-833-441-2240  
Family Crisis Response Helpline

beacon health options  
Kansas Department for Children and Youth Services

## The Leaving in Legacy

Marc be ready, he has the responsibility now.

Marc's dad isn't just showing faith and support, he is displaying love for his family and legacy by doing everything in his power to ensure they are prepared and protect-

ed for a future without him. It sounds so simple but it feels radical.

Powerful emotions are tied to uncertainty of what the future holds for what we have lovingly built with blood, sweat and tears. A powerful succession plan requires caring enough about

(con't from page 11) something to overcome these fears and build so strong that it won't fail without you.

Leaving a legacy requires leaving. Take time now to plan, support and build the things you love for a future beyond you.

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umn published by Kansas Farm Bureau, the state's largest farm organization whose mission is to strengthen agriculture and the lives of Kansans through advocacy, education and service.

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**"men sat around discussing the ethics of eating and farming, while women did all the work."**  
— Aaron Bobrow-Strain, *White Bread: A Social History of the Store-Bought Loaf*

### Public Notice

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#### SUMMARY NOTICE OF BOND SALE

\$13,245,000

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 332,

KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS (CUNNINGHAM-WEST KINGMAN COUNTY)

GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS, SERIES 2022

(GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS PAYABLE FROM UNLIMITED AD VALOREM TAXES)

**Bids.** SUBJECT to the Notice of Bond Sale dated April 11, 2022 (the "Notice"), facsimile, email, and electronic bids will be received on behalf of the Clerk of Unified School District No. 332, Kingman County, Kansas (Cunningham-West Kingman County) (the "Issuer") in the case of email or facsimile bids, at the address set forth below, and in the case of electronic bids, through **PARITY** until 11:00 A.M. applicable Central Time, on **MAY 25, 2022** for the purchase of the above-referenced bonds (the "Bonds"). No bid of less than **100%** of the principal amount of the Bonds and accrued interest thereon to the date of delivery will be considered.

**Bond Details.** The Bonds will consist of fully registered bonds in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. The Bonds will be dated July 1, 2022, and will become due on August 1 in the years as follows:

Year	Principal Amount*	Year	Principal Amount*
2023	\$265,000	2036	\$530,000
2024	270,000	2037	560,000
2025	290,000	2038	585,000
2026	305,000	2039	615,000
2027	325,000	2040	645,000
2028	345,000	2041	680,000
2029	365,000	2042	710,000
2030	385,000	2043	745,000
2031	410,000	2044	780,000
2032	430,000	2045	815,000
2033	455,000	2046	855,000
2034	480,000	2047	895,000
2035	505,000		

\* Subject to change, see the Notice

The Bonds will bear interest from the date thereof at rates to be determined when the Bonds are sold as hereinafter provided, which interest will be payable semiannually on February 1 and August 1 in each year, beginning on February 1, 2023.

**Book-Entry-Only System.** The Bonds shall be registered under a book-entry-only system administered through DTC.

**Paying Agent and Bond Registrar.** Treasurer of the State of Kansas, Topeka, Kansas.

**Good Faith Deposit.** Each bid shall be accompanied (in the manner set forth in the Notice) by a good faith deposit in the form of a cashier's or certified check drawn on a bank located in the United States of America or a wire transfer in Federal Reserve funds immediately available for use by the Issuer in the amount of \$264,900.

**Delivery.** The Issuer will pay for preparation of the Bonds and will deliver the same properly prepared, executed and registered without cost to the successful bidder on or about **July 1, 2022**, to DTC for the account of the successful bidder.

**Assessed Valuation and Indebtedness.** The Equalized Assessed Tangible Valuation for Computation of Bonded Debt Limitations for the year 2021 is \$73,993,360. The total general obligation indebtedness of the Issuer as of the Dated Date, including the Bonds being sold, is \$13,245,000.

**Approval of Bonds.** The Bonds will be sold subject to the legal opinion of GILMORE & BELL, P.C., WICHITA, KANSAS, Bond Counsel to the Issuer, whose approving legal opinion as to the validity of the Bonds will be furnished and paid for by the Issuer, printed on the Bonds and delivered to the successful bidder as and when the Bonds are delivered.

**Additional Information.** Additional information regarding the Bonds may be obtained from the undersigned or from the Financial Advisor at the addresses set forth below:

**DATED: April 11, 2022.**

#### Issuer:

Office of the Board of Education  
104 W. 4th  
P.O. Box 67  
Cunningham, Kansas 67035  
Attn: Stacy Webster, Clerk  
Phone No.: (620) 298-3271 Fax No.: (620) 298-2562  
Email: [stacy.webster@usd332.com](mailto:stacy.webster@usd332.com)

#### Financial Advisor – Facsimile and Email Bid Delivery Address:

Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated  
301 N. Main, Suite 800  
Wichita, Kansas 67202  
Attn: Stephen E. Shogren  
Phone No.: (316) 264-9351  
Fax No.: (316) 337-8492  
Email for bid: [shogrenb@stifel.com](mailto:shogrenb@stifel.com)

### Public Notice

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IN THE THIRTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

DONALD R. MERTENS, Deceased.

CASE NO. 2022 PR 21

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on April 15, 2022, a petition was filed in this Court by Mary B. Mertens, Executrix named in the "Last Will and Testament of Donald R. Mertens," deceased, dated December 31, 2019, praying the will filed with the petition be admitted to probate and record; Petitioner be appointed as Executrix, without bond; and Petitioner be granted Letters

Testamentary.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before May 10, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. in the District Court, 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.

All creditors of the decedent are notified to exhibit their demands against the Estate within the latter of four months from the date of first publication of notice under K.S.A. 59-2236 and amendments thereto, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonably ascertainable, 30 days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

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

### Public Notice

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#### IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS CIVIL DEPARTMENT

Ditech Financial LLC

Plaintiff,

vs.

Jason Eric Hurt; Shawna Lou Hurt;

Linda Hurt n/k/a Linda Zrubek, a/k/a Linda Mare Moore

Defendants.

Case No. 2019-CV-000003

Court Number:

Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 60

#### NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of an Order of Sale issued to me by the Clerk of the District Court of Kingman County, Kansas, the undersigned Sheriff of Kingman County, Kansas, will offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash in hand, at the Front Door of the Courthouse at Kingman, Kingman County, Kansas, on May 12, 2022, at 10:00 AM, the following real estate:

**TRACT I - A TRACT OF LAND IN THE SOUTH HALF (S/2) OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 30 SOUTH, RANGE 7 WEST OF THE 6TH P.M., KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 30 SOUTH, RANGE 7 WEST OF THE 6TH PM; THENCE NORTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SOUTHEAST QUARTER 1353.06 FEET, THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 89 DEGREES 28 MINUTES 35 SECONDS LEFT-WEST 2245.92 FEET; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 2 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 44 SECONDS RIGHT-WESTERLY 330.67 FEET; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 86 DEGREES 15 MINUTES 47 SECONDS RIGHT-NORTH 222.90 FEET FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 44 SECONDS LEFT-WEST 361.71 FEET; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 90 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 16 SECONDS LEFT-SOUTH 361.28 FEET; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 89 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 44 SECONDS LEFT-EAST 361.71 FEET; THENCE WITH A DEFLECTION ANGLE 90 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 16 SECONDS LEFT-NORTH 361.28 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.**

TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO A 30.00 FOOT WIDE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS-EGRESS AND UTILITY PURPOSES, SAID EASEMENT BEING DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

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**TRACT II - A TRACT OF LAND IN THE SOUTH HALF (S/2) OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 30 SOUTH, RANGE 7 WEST OF THE 6TH P.M., KINGMAN COUNTY, KANSAS, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF TRACT II, SAID CORNER ALSO BEING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF TRACT I; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 42 MINUTES 12 SECONDS WEST, ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID TRACT II, SAID SOUTH LINE ALSO BEING THE NORTH LINE OF TRACT I, A DISTANCE OF 361.71 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID TRACT II, SAID CORNER ALSO BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID TRACT I; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 23 MINUTES 04 SECONDS WEST, ON THE WEST LINE OF SAID TRACT II, A DISTANCE OF 258.58 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID TRACT II; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 42 MINUTES 12 SECONDS EAST, ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID TRACT II, A DISTANCE OF 361.71 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID TRACT II; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 23 MINUTES 04 SECONDS EAST, ON THE EAST LINE OF SAID TRACT II, A DISTANCE OF 258.58 FEET TO SAID POINT OF BEGINNING.**

TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO A 30 FOOT WIDE EASEMENT FOR INGRESS-EGRESS AND UTILITY PURPOSES, SAID EASEMENT DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SE/4 OF SECTION 10-30S-7W OF THE 6TH PM, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 00'00" WEST AN ASSUMED BEARING, ON THE EAST LINE OF SAID SE/4, A DISTANCE OF 1353.06 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 28'35" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 2245.92 FEET; THENCE NORTH 86 DEGREES 38'51" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 330.67 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 23'04" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 481.48 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 42'12" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 361.71 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 23'04" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 30.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 42'12" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 391.71 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 23'04" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 483.33 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 86 DEGREES 38'51" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 301.79 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 28'35" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 2244.94 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF SAID SE/4; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 00'00" EAST ON SAID EAST LINE, A DISTANCE OF 30 FEET TO SAID POINT OF BEGINNING, commonly known as 2495 SE 137 St, Rago, KS 67142 (the "Property")

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**Paul Huslig**

Paul Anthony Huslig, 87, passed away on April 24, 2022, at Catholic Care Center in Bel Aire, Kansas. He was born on October 25, 1934, at Great Bend, Kansas to Anton F. & Louise A. (Maneth) Huslig. Paul married Berniece C. Schneewis on May 9, 1964, at Great Bend, Kansas. She died November 14, 2020.



A lifetime Great Bend resident, Paul was an operator technician for West Plains Energy. Paul served as a Private First Class in the Army during the Korean Conflict. He was a member of Prince of Peace Parish at St. Patrick Catholic Church, a Third Degree Knight for the Knights of Columbus Council #862, a Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus Coronado Assembly member, member of the American Legion and the 13th Engineer Association.

Survivors include two daughters, Paula Wierman and husband Tom of Wichita and Ruth Huslig of Great Bend; two brothers, Jerome Huslig of Ellinwood and Charles Huslig of Ellsworth; a sister, Helen Schnittker of Kingman; and four grandchildren, Christopher, Molly and Justin Wierman and Hope Huslig. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Bernice Huslig; a son, Maurice Huslig; four brothers, Arthur, Marcus, Larry and Ervin Huslig; and a sister, Mary Ann Wondra.

Visitation will take place from 1:00 p.m. to 8 p.m. with vigil and Knights of Columbus rosary at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 1, 2022, at Bryant Funeral Home. Mass of Christian Burial will take place at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, May 2, 2022, at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Great Bend with Father Prakash Kola presiding. Interment will follow at Great Bend Cemetery with military honors conducted by Fort Riley. Memorials have been designated to Holy Family Endowment Fund or Brain Tumor Research, in care of Bryant Funeral Home.

**Shirley Fisher**

Shirley Ann Fisher, 86, passed away Saturday, April 30, 2022 at Pratt Regional Medical Center. She was born on March 27, 1936 in Coldwater to Harry Victor and Bessie (Dunham) Klingensmith. Shirley married Don Fisher on January 12, 1952 in Coldwater. He preceded her in death on December 13, 2005.



Shirley worked as a receptionist for the State of Kansas SRS office until retirement and then worked as a Sales Associate at Wal-Mart. She was a past member of Abundant Harvest Church of the Nazarene and Friends Women. She enjoyed shopping for bargains, traveling, painting, gambling, bowling, doing word search puzzles, taking family to dinner and spending time with her family especially grandchildren.

She is survived by her children, Donnie (Kris) Fisher of Pratt, Susie (Chuck) Bryant of Lawrence, and Scott (Mark Stephens) Fisher of Bullhead City, Arizona; sisters, Cora (David) Tucker of Wichita Falls, Texas and Doris Weingartner of Sun City, Arizona; grandchildren, Mike (Dianna) Fisher of Preston, Shelly (Joey) Tuttle of Haviland, Amy (Justin) Beckman of Lenexa, Annie Payne of Hutchinson, Lindsay (Chris) Ly of Overbrook, Jamie Edmonds of Hutchinson and Jeremy (Crystal) Dick of Ord, Nebraska; and great-grandchildren, Michaela (fiance, Edward Duerson) Fisher of Preston, Nick Fisher of Preston, Marie Tuttle of Medicine Lodge, Olivia Cherry of Hutchinson, Josie Cherry of Hutchinson, Raylee Payne of Hutchinson, Dylan Beckman of Lenexa, Charlotte Beckman of Lenexa, August Ly of Overbrook, Ruby Ly of Overbrook, Dutch Weaver of Ord, Nebraska.

Shirley is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Don; daughter, Debbie Edmonds; brother, Walter Riggs; and sisters, Syble Cocannouer, Mildred McReynolds and Betty Jean Klingensmith.

Visitation will be Thursday, May 5, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. with family receiving friends from 6-8 at Larrison Mortuary, 300 Country Club Road, Pratt. Funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, May 6, 2022 at Larrison Mortuary with John Hamm presiding. Burial will follow at Greenlawn Cemetery, Pratt.

Memorials may be made to Pratt Area Humane Society or Donor Choice in care of Larrison Mortuary.

**Lewis Hearn**

Lewis Arthur Hearn, 78, passed away on Thursday, April 28, 2022 after a short battle with lung cancer. He was born April 12, 1944 in Pratt, Kansas to George Clay and Dora Martha (Hannawald) Hearn.



Lewis married Janet Sue Chezem in Pratt, Kansas on September 1, 1973. They were married for 48 wonderful years. He was a lifetime member of the First United Methodist Church in Pratt.

Lewis graduated Pratt High School in 1962. After high school he attended Pratt Community College, Wichita State University, and Ft. Hays State University.

Lewis was a proud veteran of the U.S. Army and Kansas Army National Guard. While serving in Vietnam as a paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne and chaplain's assistant, he earned a Bronze Star and Air Medal for meritorious service.

Lewis performed small engine repairs at Hearn Sales and Service for many years. After that he enjoyed working in his extensive home shop creating small wooden building replicas for R&R Creations. He ended his working career at First Care maintaining small health care appliances.

Lewis was an exceptional woodworker, making heirloom quality furniture projects for both family and friends. He even remodeled his personal home to include making all of the kitchen cabinetry and constructing the three story garage/workshop. He was also passionate about building realistic model railroad cars and scenery.

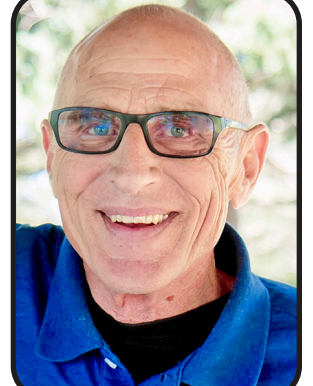
Lewis is survived by his wife, Janet; two sons, George Hearn of Arapahoe, Nebraska and David Hearn of Pratt; daughter, Sara Blubaugh (Joe) of Silver Lake, Kansas; grandchildren, Colton Hearn (Kearney, Nebraska), Quorra Hearn (Arapahoe, Nebraska), and Jaxon and Carly Blubaugh (Silver Lake, Kansas); sisters, Georgie (Hearn) Fowler and Rosalie (Hearn) and Richard Rose, both of Pratt; sister-in-law, Sandy (James) Riggs of Lincoln, Nebraska; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. He is preceded in death by his parents, George and Dora Hearn and brother-in-law, John Fowler.

Cremation has taken place. Visitation will be Friday, May 13, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. with family present from 6-8 at Larrison Mortuary, 300 Country Club Road, Pratt. Memorial service will be held Saturday, May 14, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. at Larrison Mortuary.

Memorials may be made to the Albert McFall Cancer Fund, First United Methodist Church of Pratt, or the Pratt Area Humane Society, in care of Larrison Mortuary. The family wishes to thank the staff of Grand Plains Skilled Nursing and Interim Health Care. Special appreciation is extended to Dr. Wakon Fowler.

**Frank Allbritten**

Frank F. Allbritten, III, 73, died Tuesday, December 28, 2021 in Cunningham Kansas.



A Memorial service will be 11:00 am, Friday, May 20, 2022, at the Larrison Mortuary, Pratt, Kansas. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the donor's choice in care of Larrison Mortuary 300 Country Club Rd., Pratt, KS 67124. Online condolences may be shared at [www.larrisonmortuary.com](http://www.larrisonmortuary.com).

**Lucy Orth**

Lucy Faye (Snell) Orth was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and friend. She left this world peacefully on Monday, May 2nd, 2022.

Lucy was born to Alice (Wilson) and Walter Glenn Snell on November 28th, 1932, in Reno County, Kansas. After graduating from high school, she met the love of her life Lawrence Michael (Peanuts) Orth. The two were married on June 5th, 1954, in Kingman, Kansas.

Lucy's life was devoted to her husband Lawrence and their two children Lisa and Tim. She was a member of the St. Patrick's Church and Saint Ann's Alter Society. From a young age she was lover of animals as granddog Jax will always hold a piece of her heart. She was preceded in death by her husband Lawrence. Lucy is survived by daughter Lisa Ravens (Brent), son Tim Orth (Karyn) and grandchildren Brendon Ravens, Kalyne Bready (Logan), Andrew Daugherty (Ashley), Dayton Daugherty, Brandon Daugherty and Hayden Daugherty.

Parish rosary service will be held at 7 pm, Thursday, May 5th at St. Patrick Catholic Church. Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:00 a.m., Friday, May 6th also at St. Patrick Catholic Church. The family will receive friends from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Thursday at the Livingston Funeral Home, Kingman.

Burial will be in the Walnut Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please donate to St. Patrick's School or Prairie Sunset Home.

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