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County offices set to reopen

County "appointment service" starts today, full opening slated for June 1 barring hitches

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - The Anderson County Commission approved a plan last week for a gradual reopening of the county courthouse to public traffic, directing county business to start moving back to normal after shutting down due to Covid-19.

The courthouse was closed in mid-March as public offices, restaurants and other non-essential business began an abrupt shutdown following an executive order from Kansas Governor Laura Kelly. Kelly's May 4 reopening plan has been revised twice since it was introduced as officials tweaked crowd size restrictions and types of businesses allowed to reopen. County clerk Julie Wettstein said the county's reopening plan would be phased as well.

"We're trying to open slowly," Wettstein said. "We have so many offices here and we're trying to keep with the governor's plan on the amounts of people that would be in the courthouse."

Wettstein said courthouse offices had installed plexi shielding in the customer service areas to help ensure separations between personnel and the public.

As of May 26 offices will be open by appointment, meaning customers should call ahead to the office with which they have business, and then call again when they arrive at the courthouse to be let in the west doors. During this time the county

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Wettstein



Though area Memorial Day services and events were cancelled Monday due to continuing crowd restrictions in the Covid-19 reopening plan, area residents were set to make their traditional visits to the graves of loved ones over the weekend at numerous cemeteries across Anderson County. Garnett's Avenue of Flags was set and ready to welcome visitors for the holiday at the city cemetery.

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Powls to seek election in 5th District race

Garnett man says constitution should be more toward forefront

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - A former music educator and small business owner in Garnett filed last week as a candidate in the Republican primary election for the 5th District seat in the Kansas House of Representatives.

Mark Powls, 59 of Garnett, said his objective in seeking the office was to help direct



Powls

music in Kansas public schools and served 22 years in the Kansas Army National Guard. He presently operates a music instruction and instrument repair business, MP Vantage, in Garnett. He and his wife

Kansas toward more constitutional conduct in state governance. A graduate of Pittsburg State University, Powls taught

Carmen, a teacher in USD 365, have two daughters.

Powls said the primary focus of his candidacy is the restoration of constitutional principles to government and to increase citizen involvement.

"Voting has been an embarrassment in Anderson County and the 5th District as a whole which means that people have given up on our system of self-governance," he said in a Facebook post on the announcement of his candidacy. "We need to convince people to register and vote."

Powls is the founder of the Anderson County chapter of Founders Keep, a national study organization which promotes study and discussion of America's founding documents. He ran unsuccessfully for a Garnett City Commission seat in 2018.

Powls will face incumbent Republican Mark Samsel in the August 4 Republican primary. Samsel is finishing his first two-year term in the legislature. No one has yet filed on the Democratic side of the

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Governor Kelly moves Kansas into modified Phase 2

TOPEKA - Kansas Governor Laura Kelly on Friday signed Executive Order 20-34, which immediately moves Kansas into Phase 2 of "Ad Astra: A Plan to Reopen Kansas." Phase 2, effective Friday, May 22, 2020, will be modified to include data-driven restrictions Kellsays are necessary to prevent community transmission of COVID-19.

"Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, all of my administration's decision-making regarding our reopening efforts has been driven by

data - not dates," Kelly said. "Because of the great work Kansans and businesses have done to keep others safe, data now indicate we are seeing a more consistent decline in hospitalizations, COVID-19-related deaths and a consistent decrease in disease spread. This puts our state in a position to safely move into a modified version of Phase 2.

"I would like to be clear - moving forward in Kansas' reopening plan does not mean

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Linn County: Covid scuffle ruffles feathers

Sides solve 4th Amendment issue with changes; director of county health service resigns

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

PLEASANTON - A federal court case stemming from Linn County has resulted in a revised order being issued by the Linn County Health Department regarding the collection of customer information from local businesses, and the resignation of the county's public health officer.

The health department issued an order in early May requiring local businesses to keep track of customers with their names, contact information and date and time of visits, and to provide that information on demand to the health department. The department said the information was sought for tracking purposes to determine who else might have been infected with Covid-19 once specific cases were confirmed.

The Linn County News and a LaCygne

restaurant filed suit against the county May 10, arguing the order violated the 4th Amendment constitutional right against warrantless searches and seizure. A settlement was reached last week in the case, when the department issued new orders making customer sign-ins voluntary and giving businesses the option to request a court-approved warrant from the department to obtain the logged information.

The issue became more heated at a special meeting of the Linn County Commission on Thursday, when Linn County Public Health Officer Dr. Jay Allen tendered his resignation. Linn County News Publisher Jackie Taylor told the Review Allen's resignation came after a reported public protest at the county clinic earlier last week.

Allen issued the initial order under the latitude offered counties in Governor Laura Kelly's initial executive orders restricting various business and activities due to the pandemic. Those rules allowed individual counties to enact rules that were more strict than those outlined

in Kelly's order, but prohibited them from adopting rules less strict than the executive order.

The Kansas Justice Institute, a legal affairs division of the conservative Kansas Policy Institute, represented the plaintiffs. Litigation Director Samuel G. MacRoberts said this was about the Constitution.

"This case was about Linn County understanding that constitutional rights cannot be ignored," he said. "Even during a pandemic, we're happy to stand up with Kansans to protect their rights and liberties."

Linda Jo Hisel, who operates Nana Jo's Café in LaCygne and teamed with the newspaper in the lawsuit, said privacy was her main concern in opposing the health department order.

"We're a close-knit community and my customers are like family," she said. "I don't want to put anyone's health in jeopardy but I'm not going to put anyone's privacy in jeopardy either."

Marathon wrap-up yields changes to Kelly's plans

Legislators defeat Medicare expansion, restrict Kelly's powers

BY DAVID HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

TOPEKA - Kansas Legislature voted to restrict Governor Laura Kelly's emergency powers, approve spending decisions on federal CARES appropriations to the state, and defeat Medicaid Expansion in a 24-hour marathon session on the lawmakers' final day in Topeka.

Among legislation sent to the governor for approval:

*The State of Emergency is extended to May 31st, but will require approval by the State Finance Council thereafter in 30-day increments. The SFC's nine members include the governor, the president of the Senate, the House speaker, the majority and minority leaders of the House and Senate, and chairmen of the Senate Ways and Means, and House Appropriations Committees. A supermajority of the SFC

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Where do sharks go on summer vacation? Finland.

NEWS IN BRIEF

DEMOCRATS, REPUBLICANS TO FILE FOR PRECINCT POSTS

County Democrats and Republicans wanting to serve on their respective county precinct committees need to file registration paperwork with the Anderson County Clerk's office by noon June 1. There is no fee to file. Precinct committee members, a committee man and a committee woman, are elected from each voting precinct to work with other party leaders in their county to pursue party goals locally and assist with the election of party political candidates. They also convene to fill vacancies for same-party elected office holders who leave office prior to the end of their terms. To file, interested persons can request a form from the county clerk's office, complete it and have it notarized and return it by mail or drop it off in the county's drop box; or they can contact the clerk's office after May 26 for an appointment to drop off the form and have clerk staff notarize the form. For more information, contact the Anderson County Clerk's office at (785) 448-6841.

GARNETT PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

The Garnett Public Library will have a meeting on Tuesday June 2nd at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom. For information on how to attend please call 448-3388. The regular June meeting of the Garnett Public Library Board will be on Monday, June 8th at 6:00 p.m. in the Archer Room at the library. This meeting will also serve as the public meeting for a USDA Grant the library has applied for. To receive the agenda for this meeting, please call 448-3388.

ACHS GRADUATION JUNE 29

Due to changes in allowable crowd size in the governor's Covid-19 recovery plan, high school commencement in USD 365-Garnett has been moved back to 8 p.m. on Monday, June 29, 2020, at the ACJSHS football stadium, weather permitting.

WESTPHALIA ELEMENTARY KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

Calling all kindergarteners. Westphalia School has openings for kindergarten students. Please call the school at (785) 489-2511 so they can start school in the fall.

ANDERSON CO. LANDFILL

The recycling center will open to the public on Tuesday, May 26th during the shortened hours of Monday-Friday 7:00am - 10:00am and Saturday 8:00am - Noon. Items should be sorted correctly to avoid staff from touching items. Normal hours will resume on June 1st. The scale house will remain locked and business shall continue to be done through the window.

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would have to approve any future orders by the governor to keep businesses closed for longer than 15 days.

*Spending of the \$1.2 billion in CARES, Kansas' share of federal Covid-19 emergency funding, will have to be approved by the Legislative Coordinating Council, comprised of the speaker of the House, the speaker pro-tem, the Senate president, and the majority and minority leaders in the House and Senate. Previously, those decisions were to be made by the governor in consultation with business and civic leaders.

*Rejection of Medicaid Expansion long sought by the governor and Democrats in both chambers.

*Delays in payments due for property and income taxes.

* Allowance for counties to adopt less-stringent emergency orders apart from the governor's, and to require counties to disclose more information to taxpayers on reasons for prop-

Anderson County Court Docket

May 26, 2020

Judge Kevin Kimball

1:00 p.m.

SEALED - 2020-DM-000038

1:15 p.m.

SEALED - 2020-DM-000042

1:25 p.m.

SEALED - 2020-DM-000053

1:40 p.m.

SEALED - 2020-DM-000065

LAND TRANSFERS

Stephen L Hickerson Jr to Rachel Hage and Lucas Gilley: P Bailey's Orchard Park Addition to Lot 12 Block 7 Bailey's Orchard Addition (Revised 1978) To City of Garnett.

Leslie W Thomas, Lennet K Thomas and Eric R Thomas to Brian R Weller: West half lot 2 and all lot 3 blok 31 City of Garnett.

Katherine M Dehoux, Katherine M Ludwig F/K/A and Joshua Dehoux to

Tommy L Emerson Jr: Lot 5 Block 48 City of Garnett.

Wendy S Claire and Zoey Claire A/K/A to Donald Dishman II: All Lots 1, 2, 3 and north half of lot 4 & east 65' lots 7, 8 & 9 & all lots 10, 11 & 12 Block 9 City of Kincaid; & Beginning at point 380' east of NWCOR NE4SE4 36-22-20, thence east 220', south 198' to south line of what was formerly known as reserve strip to Kincaid, thence west 220', north 198' to POB.

Darrell Yocham, Laura Yocham to Darrell Yocham and Craig Yocham: A tract of land in SE4 16-23-18 described as follows: NE4 NE4 SE4 16-23-18.

David M Greiner and Karen Greiner to Candis McDowell: Lot 22 in block 37 in the City of Garnett.

Myra J Beauchamp and David W Beauchamp to Brian R Weller: Lots 23 and 24 in Block 16 in the City of

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that COVID-19 no longer threatens our communities. Modifying Phase 2 to keep some restrictions allows us to reopen Kansas' economy as quickly and safely as possible, while exercising necessary caution to keep Kansans healthy."

Key changes to Phase 2:

- Mass gatherings of more than 15 individuals will be prohibited;
- All businesses and activities slated to open during Phase 2 will be allowed, with the exception of bars, night clubs

and swimming pools. These will be moved to Phase 3;

• Businesses and activities that will be allowed to open in Phase 2 include:

Recreational organized sports facilities, tournaments and practices will be allowed to begin on Friday, May 22, and must adhere to social distancing requirements and follow Parks and Recs guidelines, which can be found on covid.ks.gov;

Community Centers will be allowed to open, except for indoor and outdoor swimming pools;

Indoor leisure spaces such as arcades, tram-

poline parks, theaters, museums and bowling allies will be allowed to open on May 22;

State-owned-and-operated casinos will be allowed to open once their re-opening plan has been approved by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment; In-person group exercise classes will be allowed to begin with groups of no more than 15 at a time. Locker rooms remain closed except for restroom facilities;

Everything opened in Phase 1 and Phase 1.5 remains open pursuant to the restrictions outlined in Executive Order 20-34.

• Phase 2 will last

until Sunday, June 7, assuming the current trends continue. Phase 3 is expected to begin on Monday, June 8, with mass gatherings of more than 45 individuals prohibited.

Under Phase 2, the following, unless they are repurposed for use in an essential function under the Kansas Essential Function Framework, shall remain closed to the public:

- Bars and night clubs, excluding curbside and carryout services;
- Outdoor and indoor large entertainment venues with capacity of 2,000 or more;
- Fairs, festivals, carnivals, parades;

Swimming pools (other than backyard pools);

• Summer camps (with the exception of licensed childcare facilities).

The Governor will evaluate the state's disease spread, testing rates, death rates, hospitalizations, ability of state and local public health authorities to contain outbreaks and conduct contact tracing, and personal protective equipment availability when determining if the state should move to the next "Phase." Regardless of phase, the State Health Officer retains the authority to impose additional public health interventions in any area that

Jacob Joeckel, date unknown. Zachery Mitchell, date unknown. Christen Workinger was booked into jail on May 20, 2020.

ANDERSON COUNTY JAIL FARM-INS ROSTER

Kevin Kimbrough was booked into jail on August 28, 2019. Jerome Provance was booked into jail on September 25, 2019. John Muzzy was booked into jail on February 14, 2020. Seth Landie was booked into jail on February 21, 2020. Jon Clark was booked into jail on March 10, 2020. Rodney Lindsey was booked into jail on March 18, 2020. Justin Jackson was booked into jail on April 20, 2020. Katie Cheek was booked into jail on May 19, 2020.

ANDERSON COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT ARRESTS

On May 13, Eric Brooks, Sunrise, Missouri, was arrested for failure to appear.

On May 14, Angela Jones, Garnett, was arrested for DUI, possession of opiates/opium/narcotic drugs and certain stimulants, failure to dim headlights and unsafe turn.

On May 15, Kelly Rouse, Iola, was arrested for possession of opiates/opium/narcotic drugs and certain stim-

ulants, possession of certain hallucinogenic drugs, DUI and possession of drug paraphernalia.

On May 16, David McAfee, Garnett, was arrested for failure to appear.

On May 19, Katie Cheek, McLouth, was booked as a hold for the Douglas County Sheriff Department as she was arrested for failure to appear.

On May 20, Andrew Pratt, Chanute, was arrested for failure to appear.

On May 20, Christen Workinger, Overland Park, was arrested for failure to appear.

ANDERSON COUNTY JAIL ROSTER

Stephanie Knavel was booked into jail on June 22, 2019. Christopher Bowen was booked into jail on February 14, 2020. Barry Weber was booked into jail on February 15, 2020. David McAfee, date unknown.

Dustin Baker graduates from Graceland University in Iowa

LAMONI, IA - Graceland University has announced the Spring 2020 graduation list. Graduates from around the country and around the world have been recognized for earning undergraduate and graduate degrees from Graceland University between Jan. 31 through April 26, 2020. Dustin Baker of Ottawa, KS, graduated with

a Master of Science in Nursing (Family Nurse Practitioner). We congratulate Dustin and all Graceland graduates on their accomplishments, and we offer our best wishes for success in the future!

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nity of passionate, caring and dedicated individuals who put their relationships with students first. Campuses are located in Lamoni, Iowa, and Independence, Missouri. For more information and to see additional student achievements, follow @gracelandu on Twitter and like Graceland University on Facebook, or visit www.graceland.edu.



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landfill will continue to be open for its recent 7 a.m.-10 a.m.. Monday-Friday and Saturday 8 a.m.-12 noon hours, and recycling will reopen to operate during these same hours.

That procedure will remain in place until June 1, Wettstein said, when courthouse offices will open fully to the public during regular hours, along with the road and bridge department offices, and landfill/recycling facilities will fully reopen to regular hours.

Drivers license work in the county treasurer's office will remain by appointment after June 1 until further notice, she said.

Wettstein said the procedure could be amended depending on the ongoing situation with prevalence of the virus and according to possible revisions in the governor's reopening plan.

erty tax increases.

*A \$60 million emergency loan program for small businesses in the state.

*Medical and business liability protection for those re-opening operations; a measure supported by the Kansas Chamber of Commerce and opposed by the state's trial lawyers.

*Increased state inspection of nursing homes.

*No criminal prosecutions of violators of the emergency orders. Civil penalties capped at \$2,500.

The governor can either sign the package, allow it to become law without her approval, or veto the message. A veto would end her State of Emergency declaration on May 26th, and threaten additional federal assistance. Attorney General Derek Schmidt has warned of legal action if another declaration is issued following a veto.

The legislation was approved 76-34 in the House and 27-11 in the Senate.

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TODD

SEPTEMBER 30, 1990 - MAY 15, 2020

Rebecca J. "Becky" Todd, age 29, loving daughter, sister, aunt, and friend to many, passed away peacefully on Friday, May 15, 2020, at her home in Haysville, Kansas.



Todd

She was born on September 30, 1990, in Wichita, Kansas, the daughter of Jim Todd and Cindi (Lederer) Stueland. She spent her early years growing up in Clearwater, Haysville, and Derby, Kansas. Becky attended Derby High School and later completed the cosmetology program at Eric Fisher Academy in Wichita, Kansas. Becky spent her adult life caring for young children as a childcare provider and later displayed her talents working as a beautician. One of her greatest joys in life was her nieces and nephews, and her beloved dogs, Penny and Bitty. Becky was preceded in death by her step-mother, Valerie Todd, in 2018.

Jim Todd of Garnett, Kansas; mother, Cindi Stueland and step-father Terry of Wichita; grandmother, Ona Bea Lile of Garnett, Kansas; sisters, Angela Baxter and husband Duncan of Haysville, Kansas, Angel Todd and Brad Miller of Garnett, Kansas, Riane Livingston and husband Doug of Sanford, North Carolina, Jade Todd of Garnett, Kansas; step-sisters, Lacey Robinson and husband Rusty of Sawyer, Kansas, Candis McDowell of Garnett, Kansas, April Cheek and husband Trent of Benton, Kansas; step-brother, Josh Stueland of Wichita, Kansas; and many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Memorial services were May 22, 2020, at the Feuerborn Family Funeral Service Chapel, 219 S. Oak St., Garnett, Kansas 66032.

Memorials have been established with: Kansas Humane Society, 3313 N. Hillside, Wichita, KS 67219; COMCARE of Sedgwick County, 271 W. Third St. N., Ste. 600, Wichita, KS 67202 or leave in the care of the funeral home in Garnett.

You may send your condolences to the family at www.feuerbornfuneral.com

HILL

OCTOBER 7, 1929 - MAY 19, 2020

Ivan Hill, age 90, of Garnett, Kansas, passed away on Tuesday, May 19, 2020, at his home.



Hill

He was born October 7, 1929, in Baker, Kansas, born the eighth child out of ten and the last one living, son of Frank Ebberly and Eva Elizabeth (Bindel) Hill. He attended rural schools in Anderson County and Welda High School, Welda, Kansas.

He married Effie Cecilia Greenwood on December 2, 1963, at Sacred Heart Church in Presho, South Dakota. This union was blessed with seven children.

Ivan was a farmer for most of his life and retired from Kansas Department of Transportation for the road department.

He was an avid lover of poultry and his farm animals. After retirement, he enjoyed planting his huge garden, reading, was known for quoting poetry and taking care of his grandchildren. Ivan loved talking about family history and was known to tell story after story, so that everyone could pass it on to next generations.

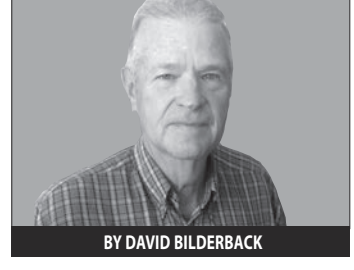
Ivan was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Eva Hill; five brothers, Charles Hill, LeRoy Hill, Elmer Hill, Albert Hill and Herman Hill; four sisters, Helen Hill, Agnes Sutton, Norma McDonald and Alice Climer; and one granddaughter, Sierra Hill.

He is survived by his wife, Cecilia Hill, of the home; children, Russell Hill and wife Gina of Marivelles Bataan, Philippines; Gladys Cabrera and husband Benigno of Hugoton, Kansas; Audrey White and husband James of Ottawa, Kansas; Ivan A. Hill and wife Janet of Burlington, Kansas; Donna Laury and husband Mark of Ludowici, Georgia; Brian Hill of Garnett, Kansas; and Carmen Bartholomew and husband Mike of Garnett, Kansas; 21 grandchildren; and 16 great grandchildren, many friends and extended family.

Mass of Christian Burial was held on Saturday, May 23, 2020, at St. Teresa Catholic Church at Westphalia, Kansas, with burial following in the St. Teresa Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Ivan Hill Memorial Fund and can be left in care of the funeral home. You may send your condolences to the family at www.feuerbornfuneral.com.

Is there a crown waiting for you?

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL



BY DAVID BILDERBACK

Psalm 14 states, The fool says in his heart . "Their is no God. They are corrupt, their deeds are vile, there is no one who does good." One wonders how can this be. When Adam and Eve fell prey to Satan's temptation in the Garden of Eden, our fate was sealed. Our nature, which we inherited from Adam is bent toward the things of the world and away from the things of God. This is what the Psalmist is pointing to.

Another way to look at this is when God created man he said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over all the livestock, over all the earth and over all the creatures that move along the ground. (Genesis 1:20) Essentially man was on the same plane as God. When the LORD banished Adam and Eve from the garden essentially man fell from his highly esteemed position. Man is left looking up for God. We live on the horizontal plane where yes, no one does good. Now we must qualify this statement. What the Psalmist meant is no one has the perfection that Adam inherited, and lost in the fall in the Garden of Eden.

God is the sovereign creator of the universe. It is not within the nature of God to sin, if it was he would be here with us. This is best illustrated in John Bunyan's "Pilgrims Progress" which is an allegory that provides a searching portrayal of human life and character and provides marvelous revelations of God, eternal truth and the way of salvation. In the book Christian, the lead character, leaves his home in the City of Destruction, remember our text, "no one does good" and begins a long journey to the Celestial City. On one of his stops he is shown a man who is raking up dirt and trash with a muckrake. The man had no time for anything else. There was revealed a celestial being standing over him offering him an everlasting crown for his

muckrake, but he could not see it. The only way he could look was downward, and he kept exceedingly busy, raking up trash off the floor. Interpreter explain the mans actions. "The man with the muckrake is bent on gathering as much trash, or worldly possessions, before he dies. He has no time to think of eternal things. As you can see the only way he can look is downward. This reveals the power of earthly things to

capture men's minds and close their hearts to the love of God and the the realities of the world to come." This illustration should give us pause for thought. What are we trading our crown in the Celestial City for?

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Shake your legislator's hand for his/her efforts in all-hours session

Anytime you can aggravate the Kansas Trial Lawyers Association, stop a governor from operating carte blanche with oppressive executive orders and get to meet the all-night maintenance squads who clean and buff the floors in the statehouse, it's been a pretty good Legislative wrap-up. So we have to offer kudos to the Kansas Legislature for the 24 hour session they finished up Friday morning.

There's always a lot of criticism for these wrap-up sessions however; lots of people say it's wrong to wait so long to get down to the hide cutting of laws that will affect every Kansan for who knows how long. But then again, I've been on the receiving end of committee actions that have been finished far earlier into the session and simply not brought up for discussion or debate again for the entire session. Neither option seems fair if you don't get what you want from the legislature.

Last week's ending session was a particularly good one for common sense and for reopening the state for business after Governor Kelly's Covid-19 shutdown.

For starters, legislators put constraints on how Governor Laura Kelly would have been able to award more than a billion dollars in federal funding for the post-Covid recovery in the state. There's perhaps no greater opportunity for crony capitalism than such a windfall of unrestricted funds - the kind of connections exemplified by the loving embrace of "green" electric companies like Ener1, Solyndra and Beacon Power by the Obama Administration back in the early 2010s. Those companies sucked up tons of federal grants, and of course left tax payers (or federal borrowers, as we should more rightly think of ourselves) on the hook for hundreds of millions of dollars in bankruptcy.

One can only imagine how Kelly would have divvied up that cash, but rest assured some of it would have gone to win political favor for anybody running on the Democratic side of the ticket in the Kansas race for Pat Roberts' U.S. Senate seat. Covid-19 emergency aside, the fight for that senate seat is utmost on the minds of Kansas Democrats this year for its opportunity to upend the U.S. Senate, guard against losses most certainly to come for Democrats in the U.S. House, and shake Kansas Republicans to their core at the realization of the loss of a historically Republican seat.

But back to the trial lawyers association - the huge bill passed by the legislature and sent for

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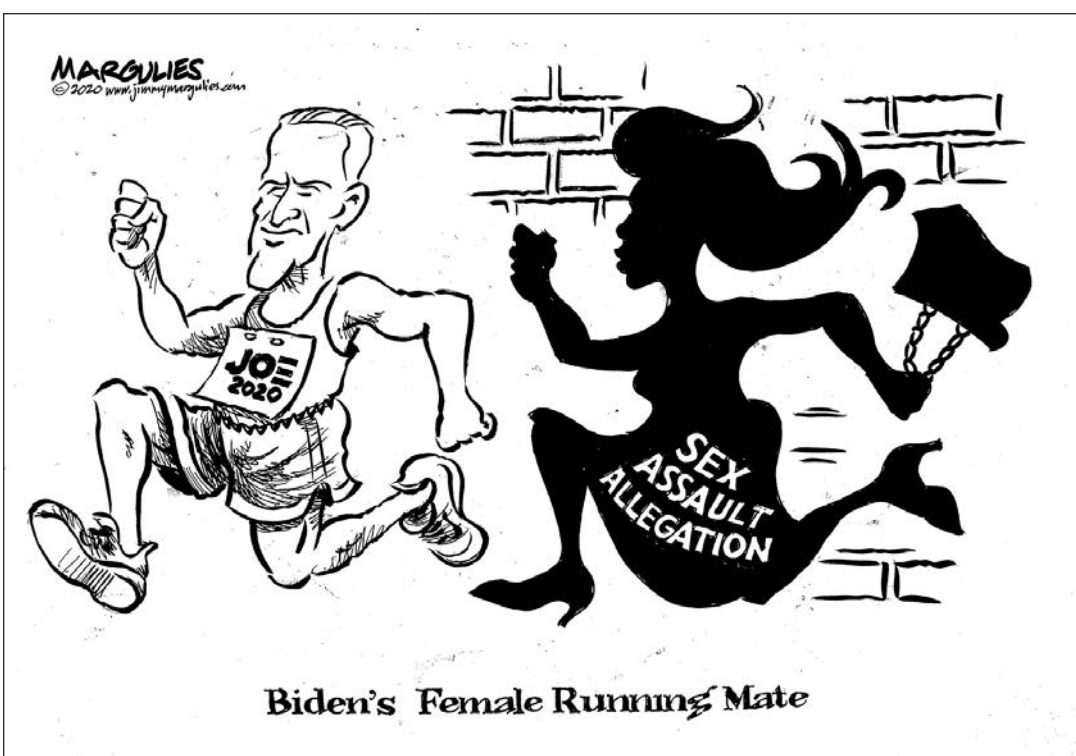
the Governor's signature also included protections for medical providers and businesses against being sued if someone claimed those providers made someone sick with Covid-19. This has been a lucious hope on the horizon for the Kansas Trial Lawyers Association, who are so much like pirates it's surprising the officers of the organization don't walk around with parrots on their shoulders.

Lawyers in the state and across the country have had their mouths watering for months over the revenue potential of Covid-19. For every positive test of the disease in Kansas - 8,958 as of Friday - there's an opportunity for a liability lawsuit and more importantly a generous financial settlement of which the law firm representing the claimant would pick up fifty percent. Can't you just hear the television commercials: "If you were infected by Covid-19, you may be due compensation..."

Well, if Kelly signs the bill, that won't be happening in Kansas - much to the regret of the trial lawyers association.

Another favor legislators did Kansans in the bill was to allow counties the opportunity to make less restrictive measures than those in Kelly's delayed and delayed again reopening plan for the state. This may be the real plumb in the whole legislative pie, because it would allow counties to open up public events to crowds and breathe life back into local events the people are relying on to help resurrect their own local economies. That local option is one that's been lost on Kelly since the beginning of the Covid emergency, considering some counties had few or no cases whatsoever.

So be cranky with your legislators some other time. This time, they helped you out. ###



Biden's Female Running Mate

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Hey I've got news for the caller who said strip clubs could open early. The secret strip club that's been operating here never did close.

It stinks that Crest is not having an 8th grade promotion. There's no reason why they shouldn't do it, it must just be laziness from the administration. These kids have already missed out because of Covid-19, why not let them have their promotion? There's no reason not to.

I choose to wear a mask when I go out and I choose it because it's the safest thing to do not just for myself but for others. What I'd like to find out is why all employers aren't requiring their employees to wear them? I am now refusing to go into any store in town or out of town or anywhere unless their employers make them wear a mask. It's not right. You need to protect others and whatever you're doing could affect someone's life. You could be taking someone's

mother or father or child. If you're not wearing a mask, are you washing your hands thoroughly? How do we know? I'm a God-fearing person but I believe God has gave us all common sense. Let's use it.

To the so called smart person calling everybody leftist and liberals and all this other BS well you're not any better than anyone else. It's my job to come out and call (deleted) like you. Telling us it's not about saving lives it's all about power? We're not talking about the orangutan president. If it was a Republican doing this you'd be kissing their (deleted). She's the best person we've ever had as governor. Brownback? Screwed us all up. How you going to defend that? She doesn't want this to be a hot spot but you Republicans don't want to admit that because the orange man has told you different. Republicans can't think for theirself. I feel sorry for you.

About the asanine comment that the governor's just wanting power because she's a liberal and a Democrat: Well how about the City of Garnett and the recreation board and all them that have cancelled baseball, the swimming pool, races around the lake, all kinds of events, the square fair? Are they having a power grab? Are you going to say the same thing about the City of Garnett and the rec hall because they're worried about people getting sick like the Governor? You're saying they're wrong because they're trying to save lives. You can't have it both ways.

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Let Biden adapt to become more beatable

In national polling, former Vice President Joe Biden is the clear 2020 front-runner. He's up nearly five points in the RealClearPolitics polling average; he's up in Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, Florida and Arizona.

That's because Biden campaigned as the anti-Bernie Sanders: a "return to normalcy" candidate rather than a transformational one. His entire pitch relied on his high name recognition, the general perception of his likability and his unthreatening demeanor.

The coronavirus pandemic merely underscored this pitch. Biden hasn't waned in the national polling since the pandemic - his lead has been utterly consistent. That's true even though Biden has been relegated to his basement, gaffing through completely anodyne statements about COVID-19, glitching his way to a few thousand viewers at a time, being interrupted by the birds honking outside his window.

How can a major party candidate win if nobody cares whether he's even alive?

Because Biden's candidacy isn't a referendum on Biden but on Trump: President Donald Trump is widely perceived as volatile, unstable, chaotic. Biden is perceived as somnambulant. Better a sleepwalker, many voters seem to think, than the rolling chaos of a second Trump term.

Yet somehow, the Biden campaign has decided to abandon Biden's greatest advantage: his promise of a sedated interregnum.

Instead, according to The New York Times,

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BEN SHAPIRO, THE DAILY WIRE

Biden's campaign will embrace radical proposals. "With Mr. Biden leading President Trump in the polls, the former vice president and other Democratic leaders are racing to assemble a new governing agenda that meets the extraordinary times - and they agree it must be far bolder than anything the party establishment has embraced before," The Times reported.

Are Americans truly desperate for a reshaping of our medical system, a universal basic income and trillions more in debt?

Some of the new proposals are directly from the Sanders campaign: forgiving student loans, a Green New Deal, expansion of government health care, a government jobs plan, a ban on stock buybacks and compulsion

toward profit sharing for corporations.

Meanwhile, former President Barack Obama explained recently that the coronavirus has merely underscored deep-seated American racism that requires a complete remaking of our society. Equating disparate health and incomes between black Americans and white Americans due to COVID-19 with the shooting of black Georgian Ahmaud Arbery - and citing both as legacies of America's historic racism - Obama stated, "No generation has been better positioned to be warriors for justice and remake the world."

But do Americans really want the world remade? Or are they simply longing for the world of four months ago, when unemployment stood at 3.5 percent, when incomes were rising at the lowest end of the income scale, when Americans could attend events without fear of infection and death?

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Biden seems to be betting on the latter. And that's idiocy of the highest order. It completely undermines his entire case for the nomination; it allows Trump to place the new radical agenda front and center, rather than his own foibles.

Biden's go-for-broke strategy is a massive opportunity for Trump - if Trump doesn't blow it.

Media: How about an apology for Ron DeSantis?

A couple of months ago, the media, almost as one, decided that Governor Ron DeSantis was a public menace who was going to get Floridians killed with his lax response to the coronavirus crisis.

In an interview with National Review, DeSantis says he was surprised at "how kneejerk" the hostile coverage was, but he "also knew that none of these people knew anything about Florida at all, so I didn't care what they were saying."

The conventional wisdom has begun to change about Florida, as the disaster so widely predicted hasn't materialized. It's worth delving into the state's response - as described by DeSantis and a couple of members of his team - because it is the opposite of the media narrative of a Trump-friendly governor disregarding the facts to pursue a reckless agenda. DeSantis and his team have followed the science closely from the beginning, which is why they forged a nuanced approach, but one that focused like a laser on the most vulnerable population, those in nursing homes.

An irony of the national coverage of the coronavirus crisis is that at the same time DeSantis was being made into a villain, New York governor Andrew Cuomo was being elevated as a hero, even though the DeSantis approach to nursing homes was obviously superior to that of Cuomo. Florida went out of its way to get COVID-19-positive people out

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RICH LOWRY, King Features Syndicate

of nursing homes, while New York went out of its way to get them in, a policy now widely acknowledged to have been a debacle.

The media didn't exactly have their eyes on the ball. "The day that the media had their first big breakout about Florida was March 15th," DeSantis recalls, "which was, there were people on Clearwater Beach, and it was this big deal. That same day is when we signed the executive order to, one, ban visitation in the nursing homes, and two, ban the reintroduction of a COVID-positive patient back into a nursing home."

DeSantis is bemused by the obsession with Florida's beaches. When they opened

in Jacksonville, it was a big national story, usually relayed with a dire tone. "Jacksonville has almost no COVID activity outside of a nursing-home context," he says. "Their hospitalizations are down, ICU down since the beaches opened a month ago. And yet, nobody talks about it. It's just like, 'Okay, we just move on to the next target.'"

Perhaps more understandably, The Villages, the iconic senior community, was a focus of media worries. According to DeSantis, as of last weekend there hadn't been a single resident of The Villages in the hospital for COVID-19 for about a week. At one point, the infection rate in The Villages was so low that state officials were worried that they were missing something. "So I got the University of Florida to do a study," he says. "They did 1,200 asymptomatic seniors at The Villages, and not one of them came back positive, which was really incredible."

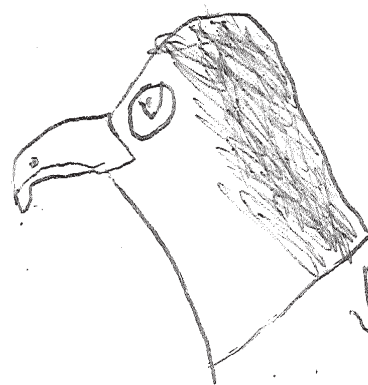
So how did DeSantis go about responding to the epidemic? It began with the data, and trying to learn the lessons of other countries.

At the outset, DeSantis looked at South Korea's experience: "I just thought it was so dramatic, the extent to which this was concentrated in the older age groups. I think the first real fresh set of South Korea numbers I looked at, I think it had no fatalities under 30,

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The Grouchy Chipmunk

by Rhoda Yoder
Mrs. Miller's Class
6th Grade • Central Plains

Once upon a time there lived an old chipmunk. He was nobody's friend because he was so grumpy.

One rainy day, a soggy indigo bunting took refuge under the leaves of a branch where the grouchy chipmunk lived.

Once the storm had passed and the sun came out, Indigo began to sing.

"I love to sing as you can see. I'm so happy I found this tree!"

The chipmunk who had been sleeping, awoke grouchy and irritated.

"Who do you think you are?" shouted the chipmunk angrily. "To wake me up for no reason at all!"

"I'm sorry sir. I didn't know anyone lived here," Indigo replied meekly.

Stepping closer, Indigo said, "Let me introduce myself. My name is Indigo Flyfeathers. What's your name?"

"If you must know my name is Arnold. Not that it's any business of yours!" replied the naughty chipmunk.

"Don't come here again!"

And with that, the chipmunk stalked back inside the tree and slammed the door.

"Wow! You really got on his bad side!" commented a voice behind Indigo.

Whirling around, Indigo saw an opossum swinging on the branch of a nearby tree.

"Everybody knows not to mess with Arnold, or Scrooge as we call him."

"Who's we?" Indigo asked, looking around.

Suddenly there was a rustling of leaves and trampling of grass.

A deer, 4 skunks, 2 rabbits, a wolf and 3 squirrels all stood in a line and looked at the opossum as if begging for an introduction.

"William, Roxy, Foxy, Boxy, Lexy, Kenny, Penny, Tricksy, Arabella and Annabella. This is..."

"Indigo" the bird informed them.

"Neighbors this..." the opossum started to say.

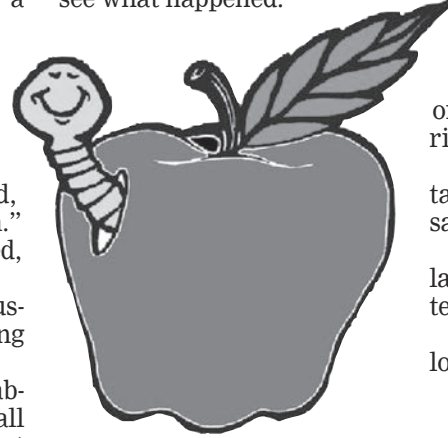
"Yeow!" something screamed from inside the tree.

"That's Arnold!" Indigo exclaimed as he ran inside the house with everyone, crowding inside after him.

There in the corner of the hollow tree was Scrooge,

screaming for all he was worth and clutching his leg.

"Everyone be quiet," the opossum commanded. "Let's see what happened."



After they'd settled down some, Indigo asked, "What happened?"

"Why do you think it smells like smoke in here? I was trying to bake some acorn cakes. It fell off my stick and landed on my foot. It singed my hair right off." Arnold explained.

"Well we might as well take care of him," Indigo said.

So they did and weeks later the chipmunk was better.

They will be friends as long as they live.

The Disappearance

by Hannah Matile
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Sarha was born December 28, 1919 in Ninesteen, England. She went to school

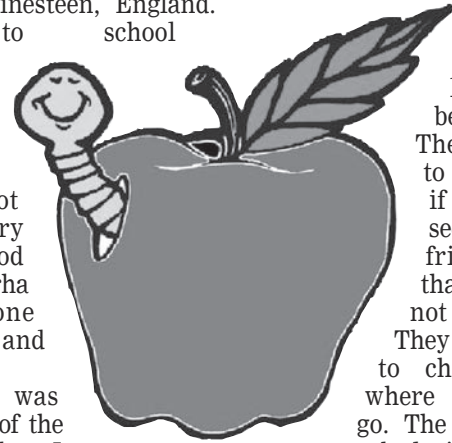
every day. Her family was very poor. They could not afford very much food to eat. Sarha had one brother and one sister.

Sarha was the oldest of the three kids. In 1949 when she was 30, she worked for this company that would tell if people were using a fake name. She worked for a company called Wood Check. On May 19, she was supposed to come to work but she didn't, which was not normal. So they

decided to go check her house because they thought she would be there.

All they found were her phone and a half eaten plate of shrimp from what looked to be her lunch. They thought to ask friends if they had seen her. Her friends said that they had not seen her. They had thought to check everywhere she might go. The people she worked with had finally found her.

They had found her in a storage place. They had asked her what happened. She said, "I was in bed when three people took me and left me where I was found."



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Deputy Sheriff A.P. Farris

1890-Andy P. Farris, formerly of Reeder Township, has been promoted to an office in the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company at Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

1894-Our Deputy Sheriff, A.P. Farris, was married to Miss Hattie Adams last Wednesday evening by the Reverend Davis.

1896-Andy Farris will remain as Deputy Sheriff.

1900-Mr. and Mrs. Andy Farris are inordinately proud of a 10 pound baby boy, a New Year's present.

1907-A.P. Farris bought out Al Blacks cigar factory.

Sheriff B.B. Babb

1883-Benjamin Babb and Miss Maggie J. Dick were married recently by the Reverend Strong.

1928-Benjamin Beal Babb died October 28th at the age of 78 years. Ben Babb was born in Indiana in 1850. In 1857 he came to Anderson County with his parents, Samuel and Hannah Babb, and they homesteaded a farm northwest of Garnett on Cedar Creek. Ben married Margaret Dick of Garnett in 1883. His first farm, which he cleared of timber was 3 1/2 miles northwest of Garnett on Cedar Creek. In 1903 this farm was sold and he moved to the Marshall place 1 1/2 miles west of Bush City. In 1906 he was elected Sheriff of Anderson County, which office he held two terms. He united with the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1885 and lived a true Christian life. He leaves his wife Maggie and three children.

Night Watch O.P. Gregory

1893- O.P. Gregory and John Morris went squirrel hunting



GARNETT POLICE FORCE, GARNETT, KANSAS. DEPUTY SHERIFF A. P. FARRIS, SHERIFF B. B. BABB, NIGHT WATCH, O. P. GREGORY, MARSHAL L. D. WALRAD.

on North Fork. In some manner both barrels of Mr. Morris shot-gun were discharged, wounding Mr. Morris slightly in the arm and blowing Mr. Gregory's hat into a hedge fence thirty feet away.

1913-O.P. Gregory is 71 years old and has lived in Garnett for 31 years.

1920-O.P. Gregory passed away. Mr. Gregory was engaged in the marble business here for a number of years. He was a member of the G.A.R. Mr. Gregory was an honest, well respected man.

Marshal L.D. Walrad

1890-L.D. Walrads family record goes back to the landing of the Pilgrims.

1897-L.D. Walrad and family of Westphalia Township have moved to Garnett.

1903- L.D. Walrad gave a list of the 54 men who planted the trees in the courthouse park on Arbor Day. A tree was also planted in commemoration of Appomattox and the Garnett schools.

1925-L.D. Walrad passed away at his home. Mr. Walrad was a pioneer of Kansas, many years being spent in Anderson County. About 20 years ago he disposed of his farm in Westphalia Township and moved with his family to Garnett. Since his residence here he held the office of undersheriff for more than ten years. He was a prominent member and officer of the Masonic

lodge. In his death the community loses an excellent man and ideal citizen.

Respectfully submitted by: Henry Roeckers 18May2020

Thank you for your patience and understanding while the library has been closed during the Covid-19 situation. We know you are anxious to be able to use the library again and we have been working on plans to provide the safest service possible to you. We have started offering sidewalk service.

What does sidewalk service mean? The building will not be open to foot traffic but you can call, Facebook message or email the library and let us know what items you want. You can call during the hours listed below or leave a message on the answering machine. We will check the items out to you and bag them, call you when they are ready to go and you can tell us when you will be by to pick them up. We have newspaper boxes outside that we will put the items in. This will follow social distancing guidelines and provide contact-

less delivery. Any items you have at home may be returned in the outside book drop.

Sidewalk service is the first phase of returning to "normal" service. This isn't how we envisioned reopening, but while we have been closed, we have participated in a number of online meetings with other libraries and library officials, not only from Kansas but from across the United States, to find the best ways to safely offer library services. We, like many other libraries, will be going through several stages during reopening, adding more services when they are deemed safe. Libraries have unique challenges to overcome during reopening. Unlike most retail business, we not only have items going out but also items coming back in. We have been advised that these items should be quarantined for at least 72 hours. Also, for many of you,

the library is your "home away from home." When we do open to foot traffic, we may have to limit the number of people able to be in the building at one time and some of our computers will be unavailable in order to meet the 6 foot distancing guidelines. We know these circumstances aren't ideal but we are committed to giving you the best and safest service we can in a challenging situation.

We look forward to hearing from you and seeing you soon. Further updates on the library's reopening plans will be posted on the library front door, Facebook and the library web site (<https://garnett.mykansalibrary.org/>) as they become available. As always, don't hesitate to call us (785-448-3388) if you have any questions.

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Garnett water department announces water utility maintenance, "chlorine burn"

The City of Garnett Water Department is currently conducting a free chlorine burn for disinfection of the water distribution system beginning May 15, 2020. This process will last about one month. Flushing and chlorine burns are routine distribution system maintenance conducted by utilities with chloramine disinfection. Chlorine burns also reduce the potential future occurrence of coliform or other types of bacteria in the system.

During this free chlorine burn, the water disinfection process will be changed from chloramines to free chlorine which is a stronger and faster-acting disinfectant. The fire hydrants will be opened to allow flushing of the system to help remove sediment from the pipes and distribute the change in disinfectant. Customers may notice open fire hydrants throughout the city during this period. At the end of the free burn, the standard chemicals used for disinfections will be reintroduced to the system and be returned to normal operating conditions.

Possible Noticeable Effects
It is important to understand that during this temporary change there may be some discoloration or cloudiness in the water and possibly a chlorine odor or taste. If this is experienced, please run the water through the tap until it clears. Minor pressure fluctuations and small air pockets may also occur. Fire hydrant

flushing should remove most of the color and odor, but some may reach customer lines during the process. Discoloration in laundry is also possible during this time. It is recommended that customers check for discolored water before adding clothes to their washing machine. If discolored water appears, customers can set their washing machine to spin cycle to purge the water, and then refill the machine with clear water. In addition, customers may wish to purchase and use a cleaning additive to help prevent or remove any discoloration that may occur.

Is the Water Safe to Drink?
Yes, the water is safe to drink throughout this process and boiling water is not necessary. Customers may notice a change to the taste and smell from the water and may want to let their water tap run for several minutes or until the water runs clear. Any odor and color issues will subside as the flushing is completed. Customers who use tap water for kidney dialysis at home should properly monitor their process for complete neutralization of disinfectant residual and should contact their doctor for more information. Customers utilizing the water for aquariums should monitor the chlorine residuals.

Why is this burn out necessary?
The City routinely collects samples and monitors the water quality. The Garnett Water Department is tasked

with ensuring that water in all points of the system is acceptable to our customers. Over time minerals and metals, which are naturally present in water sources, can increase and attach to pipes and release when there are changes in pressure, resulting in discoloration, odor or affected taste. Other processes such as nitrification and the growth of biofilm can also occur in water distribution pipes. The biofilm growth can cause a reduction in the effectiveness of residual disinfectants over time. This free chlorine "burn-out" will help clean the lines, reduce the occurrence of nitrification and biofilm, and ensure that we provide quality water for the citizens.

If you have questions please contact Garnett City Hall, 785-448-5496, and the Garnett Water Department will return your call.



THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW XXXXXX / Photo Parker, Koby and Khloe McCarty helped the Garnett VFW Auxiliary place Auxiliary flags at the graves of its members last Friday in time for display during the Memorial Day Holiday.

POWLS...

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ticket.
The 5th District includes portions of Franklin, Miami, Linn and Anderson County, including Wellsville, Rantoul, Lane, Osawatomie, Greeley, Parker, Garnett, Welda, Harris, Westphalia and Colony.

Barely half of county residents have completed 2020 Census

Currently, only 56% of the residents in Anderson County have participated in the 2020 Census. Please take the time to do your part and help the county be counted.

Census counts are used in distributing over \$6 billion in federal funds every year in Kansas. This trans-

lates to \$2,082 per person per year. These dollars help fund education, school lunch programs, head Start programs, women, infants and children (WIC), state Children's Health Insurance Program, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for

Needy Families (TANF), transportation, Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)

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For each household missed in Kansas, our state could lose approximately \$55,466.40 per home over a 10-year period.

Kansas families to receive additional food support through Pandemic EBT Program

The Department for Children and Families in collaboration with the Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE) announced today the creation of the Pandemic Electronic Benefit Program (P-EBT). The program will help families who have been impacted by school closures due to COVID-19 to purchase food for their children.

"We know the pandemic has made it difficult for families to access food, especially if they relied on school meals," Governor Laura Kelly said. "Thanks to the partnership between DCF and KSDE the state will be able to automatically enroll most families into the P-EBT program, so they receive their benefit as quickly as possible."

Cheryl Johnson KSDE director of child nutrition and wellness said. "P-EBT provides temporary funding to address emergency food needs and avert financial hardship for families affected by the pandemic. I am thankful that through this partnership, Kansas is able to put healthy food on the table for Kansas children."

P-EBT provides a one-time benefit of up to \$291 on a Kansas Benefits Card to Kansas families whose children between the age of 5 to 18 would receive free or reduced-price meals at participating schools. There is no application process to receive the P-EBT benefit.

DCF will issue the benefit in phases. Those Kansas families who currently receive free or reduced-price meals and are enrolled in the food assistance or TANF programs should begin to receive their benefit later this week.

The second phase also will include an automatic match with those families on free or reduced-price meals and who also are receiving Medicaid or child care assistance.

The final phase will include families that need to provide additional information to receive the benefit. Those families will receive access to a parent portal to register for the program beginning June 5. Parents should receive information from their school district on how to access the parent portal.

"Most families should expect to see their benefit in the next two weeks," DCF Secretary Laura Howard said. "If families have not yet received information about P-EBT, I encourage them to reach out to their local school district."

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Con't - The Skinning Tree – A novel by G. Dane Hicks

Due to "social distancing" directives in view of the present Covid19 emergency and the fact that many Review readers are sequestering to varying degrees in their homes and looking for reading materials among ways to pass the time, we are publishing segments of Review publisher Dane Hicks' 2003 novel "The Skinning Tree" (Began March 24) over the course of the next several weeks.

Chapter 5 Con't

*picking up from where left on from May 19th edition

Now, all eight of them were in the front office of the Sentinel to have their pictures taken for the paper with pieces of their creativity to give the bazaar a little free publicity. And in the center, bolstered by her companions and beaming with pride at their efforts, stood Tillie Spurlock with her ceramic erection. McKane appeared in the threshold of the hallway door, the lurking shadow of Wendell close behind him.

"Hello Mr. McKane," Bethany Samuels waved a shriveled hand adorned with rings and a bracelet, fingernails brightly polished, among the crowd of white and bluish hair permed high and tight. An echo of greetings followed from her comrades, each holding a bowl or an angel or a kitten or piece of shiny, painted fruit. They were a giddy bunch, giggly and excited, their mood lifting even more with the appearance of the nice-looking young editor in the room.

"We were hoping the paper could run our picture with some of the things we've got for sale at the bazaar," a subtle, giddy argument broke out among a couple of the group as to their modesty and feigned aversion to having their picture taken. "It'd be a real help for us, Mr. McKane. It's all for the ladie's chamber, you know."

"Yes, yes, I remember seeing something in your club notes about it last week," McKane said, training his forced smile on Bethany, trying hard not to stare at the long, arched piece of shining phallus in Tillie's hands. His eyes fell onto the pieces in the hands of the other women. "Wow, those are some neat looking pieces, are they stock, or did you make them..." he stroked. A voice interrupted from the back, its harrowing siren call buffeting McKane like a hurricane wind hitting a man trying desperately to climb over big, sharp rocks.

"Look at what Tillie made," the voice said. Tension grew at the base of McKane's skull as his defeat grew imminent. The voice was from hell.

She stood there beaming, both hands supporting the center of the fleshtone piece, its center arched and smooth except for a few darker colored lines running its length, looking uncannily like veins, stretching forward and fading away to a bulbous end – or head – or end. Tillie read the look on McKane's face as the kind of perplexity that comes from someone who doesn't garden.

"It's a summer squash," she said, interpreting his gaze as one that begged an explanation. "It got a little lumped on one end, and the paint was yellow but it dried a little dark, but the girls say I should sell it anyway. They say it's – what was it girls – expressionist or expressionistic?" Seven gray heads nodded as the girls chirped approval.

"Yes, I see," McKane said, forcing his eyes away from the piece and to a bowl another woman held. Still in a half daze he said something about the other woman's project, but he wasn't sure exactly what. "I'll get Wendell, and we'll get your picture." "WENDELL!"

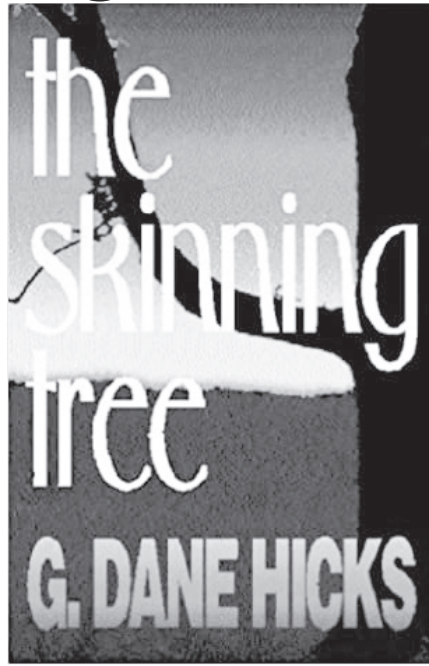
Wendell, standing only a few feet away from his boss with his camera in hand, jumped a little at the summons. He brushed McKane with his still fearful glance as the two men passed at the hallway door. McKane looked down, his hand rubbing his jaw to cover the grin that began to grip his face. Wendell looked toward the elderly crew, swallowed hard, and strode forward.

McKane eased back into his chair and rubbed his eyes with the heels of his hands. He grinned a little as his eyes searched around the room in a sort of tired parade. The office was drab, walled on two sides by old paneling, and on the other two with half-walls topped by windows that stretched nearly to the ceiling and looked out into the backshop hallway. He'd been here almost a year and a half, and he still hadn't taken time to decorate. The bare walls still showed the pock-marks from nail holes and pieces of stripped paint from the wall hangings of the previous editor. A conference table was pushed up against one wall and stacked high with newspapers and notebooks. The carpet was dull and old; the Knaule boys always seemed to find better places to make capital improvements than in the production area of the old flagship, though the front office, with its shrine of Knaule and Kansas memorabilia, was kept spiffy. One never knew when another documentary crew from public television might drop by.

A single photo of Susan sat on his desk amid another pile of newspapers. McKane lingered on her face; framed by soft blond hair, pretty and happy and smiling that day as they drank margaritas in the cabana in Cancun when they were on vacation before the wedding. His mind drifted. He wondered what color hair the girl in the well had.

His mind flipped to his telephone. He needed to follow up with Bookman, who wasn't exactly known for returning calls. On second thought, he'd probably better just happen by there in person. Deadline was Thursday morning at nine.

A series of shadows passed by the window as he gathered a notebook and checked his shirt pocket to be sure he had a pen. The muffled and always active voice of Polly Jones, the Sentinel's advertising sales manager, ebbed as she made her way past McKane's windows and headed down the hall toward her office, followed by a tall, slender woman with a bulb of thick, short red hair. The stranger would have been tall even without the heels, and wore a yellow leather jacket with padded shoulders, cut short at the waist, and a pair of tight brown slacks that took on an odd sheen under the incandescent lights of



the backshop. The slacks clung appealingly to her rounded hips and thighs. Her features were sharp, almost pixy-like, and she caught McKane's glance through the glass and locked eyes with him for a lingering second or so before smiling slightly and turning back down the hallway to follow Polly. McKane rose from his chair, hesitated a second, then moved closer to the window to follow the stranger down the hall with his eyes. Her gait was slow but confident, and though the distance and the glass now prevented him from overhearing any content of their conversation, McKane could see the back of the woman's head move as her eyes traced around the room. He felt suddenly self-conscious about the looks of the place.

Tillie and her gang had by now left the building, and Wendell sat at his cubicle by the backshop door, listening as Sandy, who was standing beside him with a piece of paper in her hand, waved it up and down as her explanation of it continued. McKane pulled on his jacket and zipped it a few inches at the bottom, and nonchalantly picked up Wendell's camera to look it over as he sauntered up to the desk. His presence broke Sandy's conversation in mid sentence.

"You got anything else from over the weekend?" McKane asked Wendell.

"Non-fatality wreck up on fifty-nine. House burned down by Suterville.

"That's like three in the last month. Anybody hurt in the fire?"

"No – it's kinda weird – sheriff's department thinks it was another meth shack like the others. The place caught fire, but nobody ever came back to the house or even called or anything – bunch of their stuff was still there and everything. These guys just catch their houses on fire and then split, and nobody ever sees them again."

"Hmm," McKane held the camera up so the lens was illuminated by the light. "They're obviously not too excited about standing around answering questions from the state fire marshal. Why don't you look into those three fires and do something on the similarities between them. Talk about the fire hazards involved in making the stuff, and find out what the law is on production of meth – it must be pretty stiff if these guys are willing to just pull up stakes and split without a word." Wendell nodded, taking a

few notes on a little spiral pad he pulled from his shirt pocket.

"Who's the dish?," McKane asked, waving his thumb back over his shoulder but still peering at the lens on the Nikon.

"With Polly?" Sandy confirmed. McKane nodded. "That's Ellie Taylor. You know, Taylor Oil, Taylor Farms, Taylor Angus, Taylor money-money-money?," she giggled. McKane shrugged his ignorance. Wendell looked intently at the pretty young woman, his glasses riding a little lower on his nose now, and his mouth open slightly.

"Her dad was R.W. Taylor – big time rich," she said in a hush. "They used to live here but him and his wife got divorced a couple years ago and he took off with some gal that was like nineteen years old or something, and then they both got killed in that car wreck down at Fort Worth. She used to be a model or something – Ellie I mean – just moved back here 'cause her mom's not doing very good – she's got some kind of arthritis thing real bad or something – but Ellie's gonna reopen the old dress shop downtown. Polly's trying to sell her some advertising."

It must be all the late hours Sandy kept around town, McKane thought, plus the fact that she sat next to the information lightning rod of Sharon County – Ethel Crabb – eight hours a day. Between the two of them, they knew everything about everybody in the county – or could find out any factoid about any of the 11,310 residents with just a phone call or two, and be amazingly accurate in their unconfirmed report.

"She's pretty," Sandy followed in an even softer, envious hush. "D'ja see that outfit. I bet that outfit cost hundreds of dollars. Geez."

"Looks a little loud for Henrysville," McKane said wryly, noticing how "small town" his comment sounded and ashamed of himself for an instant. He set Wendell's camera down and shook his attention back toward his visit with Bookman. It was almost like

Sandy read his mind.

"Mac – did that girl in the well out at Pod Tucker's really have her mouth stuffed full of rose petals? That's scary."

"Rose petals?" McKane glanced up to her face, her young eyes were wide and inquiring.

"Yeah. Ethel said she talked to Mary Parker this morning at coffee, and Mary said that deputy Purvey was at the Dinner Bell yesterday morning and told them all that that girl's mouth had a bunch of rose petals in it, and that some guy – one of those investigators from Topeka or someplace – said they thought it was a mass murderer." She finished the narrative nearly in one breath, her level of animation growing as she neared its end. "Isn't that scary?" She looked at Wendell, whose eyes were widening as well.

"She said Otis Purvey told her that?," McKane asked.

"Yeah, that's what she said. He's the deputy."

"Yeah," McKane glanced away. "You mean serial murderer," he returned. Sandy's face tightened.

"Well, what's the difference?" "Uhm, a mass murderer kills a whole bunch of people all at once. A serial murderer stretches it out longer."

"Oh. Okay," Sandy rolled her eyes a little. "A serial murderer, then."

"Wow." McKane's interest was piqued.

The morning sun was warm but a slight wind made it a little chilly outside. McKane decided to walk the four blocks to the jail and sheriff's department anyway, and he made his way along the sidewalk with his pen in his hand and feeling the bulge of the notebook in the inside breast pocket of his jacket. Traffic seemed to be buzzing for a Monday morning. With city hall and the county courthouse and three bank locations downtown, there was still a fair amount of commercial traffic even though empty buildings punctuated the downtown. McKane walked along, not particularly hurrying even though deadline was less

than forty-eight hours off, his mind walking slowly but deliberately along its own journey. How does a girl from nowhere end up in a well in Sharon County, Kansas? The highways were obvious connections. Bookman may have identified her by now, and she may be from some surrounding town. But usually missing persons reports come days or even weeks before a body turns up, McKane thought to himself. They're circulated nearly instantaneously by e-mail and radio around the state, and the sheriff's office surely would have heard about a missing girl from anywhere nearby by now. Forgotten kid? Now, that was a possibility. A runaway could have come from anywhere, disappearing from home maybe on one of the coasts and headed to the other. It could have been months or even years ago, and nobody may have known, or cared.

Sharon County and the City of Henrysville merged their sheriff's office and police department some fifteen years ago, the logic being they could provide better law enforcement and cut costs by merging the departments than continuing to operate them separately. It was a divisive issue, but in the end one hundred twelve more voters liked the idea than those who stood against it, and the old city police department was vacated and turned into office space. The Sharon County Jail now served as the base of operations for the city and county law enforcement, and sat just east of the courthouse on the town's main drag. McKane shortcut his route off the sidewalk between the two buildings, intent on using the back door to the jail if it wasn't locked. That was the way the deputies and any other "insiders" came and went, and he had a lot better chance of "happening" into the sheriff or the undersheriff or anybody else who might drop a hint or two if he entered that way instead of going through Louise, the receptionist and notorious

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palace guard. In almost a year and a half he'd never been asked not to use the back door, and at the rate of turnover in the underpaid deputy staff, a fair number of the officers probably thought McKane worked there anyway.

temporarily taken over after Swearingen took leave for his cancer treatments a little over three months ago. He passed one of the new deputies - Taggart - the kid couldn't have been any more than twenty-two or twenty-three years old - who smiled and nodded when McKane greeted him confidently.

with each other - these voices were intent, steady. Suddenly the door swung open and a tall man wearing a jacket, tie, slacks and cowboy boots stepped quickly out of Bookman's office holding several sheets of paper. He glanced for a second at McKane, then headed up to the main squad area. McKane nodded, unacknowledged by the other man, and halted his walk in the now open doorway of the sheriff's office.

One wall of the office was lined with packed shelves, the others covered with plaques and photos and other memorabilia denoting Art Swearingen's thirty-plus years in office. McKane stood there a full five seconds before the trio looked up. There was a clumsy second in which they all looked at each other, each with a question on his face.

on the girl from Saturday. What's the scoop?" McKane looked at Bookman, but watched the other two from his peripheral vision as they looked at each other, then back to him.

little, showing his discomfort as he finished the dismissal. The tactic irritated McKane; statements from the sheriff's department were ridiculously bland and always late. They provided little nuts and bolts info and were always watered down so as to reduce the county's liability for saying too much.

***To be continued next week beginning with the remainder of Chapter 5

PUBLIC NOTICE

Your RIGHT to know.

Notice of Public Meeting regarding Garnett Library roof replacement

(Published in The Anderson County Review, Tuesday, May 26, 2020)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The City of Garnett Public Library has filed a pre-application with the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, for financial assistance to replace the roof on the Public Library.

The area to be served by the proposed project is The City of Garnett.

A meeting regarding the proposed project will be held on June 8, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Garnett Public Library Archer Room, 125 W. 4th, Garnett, KS.

The public is invited to attend this meeting and to provide comments on the proposed project.

/s/ Andrea M. Sobba
Andrea Sobba, Garnett Public Library Director
Date: 5/21/20

Anderson County 1st quarter expenses

(Published in the Anderson County Review, Tuesday, May 26, 2020.)

The following statement is the balance of funds from the ledger of the Treasurer of Anderson County, Kansas, at the close of business on the 31st day of January 2020.

Table with columns for COUNTY & STATE FUNDS, TOWNSHIPS, CITIES, CEMETERIES, WATERSHEDS, SCHOOLS, SE KS LIBRARY, and SUMMARY. Includes sub-totals for various categories like County General, Fire District, Schools, etc.

Anderson County 2nd quarter expenses

(Published in the Anderson County Review, Tuesday, May 26, 2020.)

The following statement is the balance of funds from the ledger of the Treasurer of Anderson County, Kansas, at the close of business on the 30th day of April, 2020.

Table with columns for COUNTY & STATE FUNDS, TOWNSHIPS, CITIES, CEMETERIES, WATERSHEDS, SCHOOLS, SE KS LIBRARY, and SUMMARY. Includes sub-totals for various categories like County General, Fire District, Schools, etc.

Notice of foreclosure

(First published in The Anderson County Review, Tuesday, May 12, 2020)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ANDERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR C-BASS MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-SP2

PLAINTIFF vs. SALLY WALLACE DEFENDANTS

Case No. 2020-CV-000010 Div. No. K.S.A. 60 Mortgage Foreclosure

NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Kansas to: SALLY J WALLACE A/K/A SALLY WALLACE and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, and assigns of such of the defendants as may be deceased; the unknown spouses of the defendants; the unknown officers, successors, trustees, creditors and assigns of such defendants as are existing, dissolved or dormant corporations; the unknown guardians and trustees of such of the defendants as are minors or are in anywise under legal disability; and all other persons who are or may be concerned:

You are hereby notified that a petition has

been filed in the District Court of Anderson County, Kansas, by U.S. Bank National Association As Trustee For C-Bass Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-SP2 for judgment in the sum of \$13,298.98, plus interest, costs and other relief; judgment that plaintiff's lien is a first lien on the said real property and sale of said property to satisfy the indebtedness, said property described as follows, to wit:

LOTS SEVENTEEN (17) AND EIGHTEEN (18) IN BLOCK SEVENTEEN (17) IN THE CITY OF KINCAID, KANSAS, ANDERSON COUNTY KANSAS Commonly known as 211 North Osage Street, Kincaid, Kansas 66039

and you are hereby required to plead to said petition in said Court at Garnett, Kansas on or before the 23rd day of June, 2020.

Should you fail therein judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said petition

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. SHAPIRO & KREISMAN, LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff

6811 Shawnee Mission Parkway - Suite 309 Overland Park, KS 66202 (913) 831-3000 Fax No. (913) 831-3320 Our File No. 20-012430/sk

You are hereby notified that a petition has

Notice of public hearing

(First Published in The Anderson County Review, Tuesday, May 19, 2020)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ANDERSON COUNTY, KANSAS FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

IN THE INTEREST OF: M.P. Year of Birth: 2010 A female Case No. 2018-JC-13

NOTICE OF HEARING-Publication Pursuant to K.S.A. 38-2237

TO: all persons who are or may be concerned

You are hereby notified that a petition has been filed in this court alleging that the child named above is a Child in Need of Care. The Court may find that the parents are unfit by reason or conduct or condition which renders the parents unable to care properly for a child, the conduct or condition is unlikely to change in the foreseeable future, the parental rights of the parent should be terminated, and a permanent custodian should be appointed for the child.

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for the 2nd day of June, 2020, at 1:30 o'clock p.m. At the hearing the Court may issue orders relating to the care, custody and control of the child. The hearing will determine if the parents should be deprived of their parental rights and the right to custody of the child.

Notice of public hearing

(First Published in The Anderson County Review, Tuesday, May 19, 2020)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ANDERSON COUNTY, KANSAS FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

IN THE INTEREST OF: H.P. Year of Birth: 2011 A female Case No. 2018-JC-14

NOTICE OF HEARING-Publication Pursuant to K.S.A. 38-2237

TO: all persons who are or may be concerned

An attorney has been appointed as guardian ad litem for the child: (Give name and contact information.) Kathryn L. Polsley Ottawa, KS 66067 785-242-2145. You have the right to appear before the Court and be heard personally, either with or without an attorney. The Court will appoint an attorney for any parent who desires an attorney but is financially unable to hire one. The Court may order one or both parents to pay child support.

Date and time of hearing: June, 2, 2020, at 1:30 o'clock p.m.

Place of hearing: Anderson County Court House, 100 E. 4th Ave., Garnett, Kansas 66032.

Clerk of the District Court

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Place of hearing: Anderson County Court House, 100 E. 4th Ave., Garnett, Kansas 66032.

Clerk of the District Court

The parent(s), and any other person having legal custody are required to appear before this Court on the date and time shown, or to file your written response to the petition with the Clerk of the District Court prior to that time. Failure to respond or to appear before the Court at the time shown will not prevent the Court from entering judgment as requested in the petition, finding that the child is a Child in Need of Care, removing the child from the custody of parent, parents or any other present legal custodian until further order of the Court, or finding the parents unfit, and entering an order permanently terminating the parents' parental rights.

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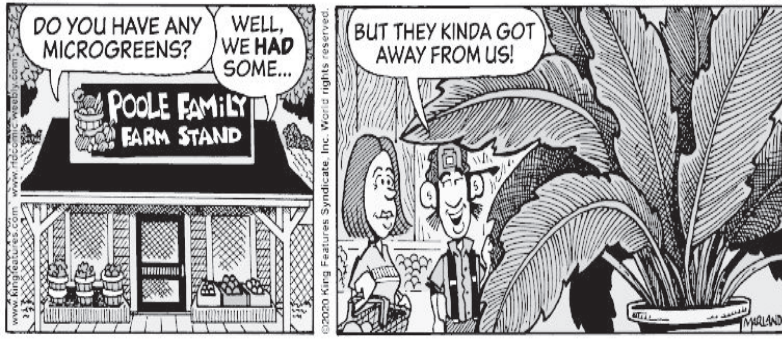
Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



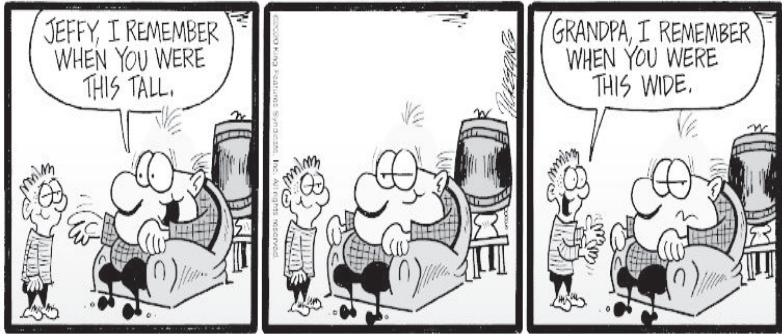
R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

Strange BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

- Italy was the only country to issue stamps specifically for mail traveling through bank tubes until the practice was discontinued in 1966.
- Kleenex tissues were originally developed as crepe paper and used for gas mask filters.
- Proof that human nature is the one thing that never really changes: The oldest "your mama" joke was discovered in 1976 on a 3,500-year-old Babylonian tablet in Iraq.
- The "Jesus Nut" on a helicopter fixes the rotor blades to the vehicle. It comes by its unusual moniker because, if it should fail, your only option is to pray to Jesus!

King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Dallas cager, briefly
4 Frat party supply
8 Prejudice
12 Expert
13 Sicilian spouter
14 St. Louis landmark
15 Flogged
17 Tardy
18 Vigorous
19 Puncturing tool
21 Fa neighbor
22 Pulverized
26 Pitch
29 Irritate
30 Foreman opponent
31 Check
32 Calendar pgs.
33 Pageant winner's address
34 Scepter top
35 Fido's foot
36 Insertion mark
37 Ran
39 Scull tool
40 Mentalist
41 Eaves dropper?
45 Deserve
48 Played in water
50 United nations
51 Twistable treat

DOWN

1 Numbers course
2 Liniment target
3 Couturier
4 Give
5 - alcohol
6 Compass pt.
7 He loved Aida

8 Poolroom supply
9 A Gershwin brother
10 Performance
11 The girl
16 Insurance fraud factor
20 Tussaud's medium
23 Barber's concern
24 Otherwise
26 Walked hard (on)
27 Juno's count
28 Barbecue entree
29 Promise
32 Midwestern capital
33 Breaker of Ruth's record
35 Apiece
36 Chocolate sources
38 Intuitive feeling
39 Lubricated
42 African nation
43 Give temporarily
44 Fix manuscripts
45 Recede
46 Heady quaff
47 Deteriorate
49 Paid athlete

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Trivia test

1. ANATOMY: What is a more common name for the medical condition called desquamation?
2. TELEVISION: Who uttered the catchphrase "you rang?" in the sitcom "The Addams Family"?
3. GAMES: How many dominoes are in a standard set?
4. GEOGRAPHY: In which city is the Basilica de la Sagrada Familia located?
5. MOVIES: Actress Meryl Streep won her first Academy Award for which movie?
6. LITERATURE: What kind of creature was Bagheera in "The Jungle Book"?
7. FOOD & DRINK: What is the primary ingredient of bouillabaisse, a type of stew?
8. PSYCHOLOGY: What fear is represented in the condition called coulrophobia?
9. MUSIC: What is the name of blues guitarist B.B. King's Gibson guitar?
10. U.S. STATES: In which state is Elvis Presley's estate (Graceland) located?

Answers

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2020 Summer conditioning, camps and skill work schedules for both ACJH and ACHS

- 2020 Summer Conditioning & Camps June 1-21**
- Hs Boys Strength & Conditioning**
Starts June 1st - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday - 6:45 a.m. to 8 a.m.
- Hs Girls Strength & Conditioning**
Starts June 1st - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday - 10 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.
- Jh Boys Strength & Conditioning**
Starts June 1st - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday - 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
- Jh Girls Strength & Conditioning**
Starts June 1st - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday - 10 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.
- Gym Floor Refinishing (ACJSHS Only):** June 1 (Gym Closed Until June 9)
- Baseball**
Skill Work - Mondays And Wednesdays - 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. - Starts Monday, June 1st
- Men's Basketball**
HS MBB Camp: June 15-19 - Time: 5 p.m.-7 p.m. - Camp Fee: \$8
- Volleyball**
VB Skill Work (Grades 7-12) - Monday, Wednesday, Friday - Time: 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. - Starts June 10 Through August 14
- Women's Basketball**
HS Basketball Camp: June 16-19 - Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Camp Fee: \$30
Skill Work - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - Time: 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. - Starts June 21 Through July 31
- 2020 Summer Conditioning & Camps**
- HS Boys Strength & Conditioning**
Beginning June 22 - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - 6:45 a.m. to 8 a.m.
- HS Girls Strength & Conditioning**
Beginning June 22 - Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 9:15 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
- JH Boys Strength & Conditioning**
Beginning June 22 - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.
- Jh Girls Strength & Conditioning**
Beginning June 22 - Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 9:15 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
- Bulldog Boot Camp (High School Student-Athletes Only)**
August 11-13 - 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. - For All HS Student-Athletes planning to play a fall sport.
- Band**
Hs Marching Band Camp @ ACJSHS: August 3-7 - Time: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Baseball**
Skill Work - Mondays And Wednesdays - 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. - Starts Monday, June 1st.
- Cheerleading**
Cheer Practices: July 14 (10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.), July 15 (11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.), July 16 (10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.), July 21 (10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.), July 22 (11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.), July 23 (10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.). Practices resume early August - Exact times/dates TBD.
- Cheer Camp**
July 30-August 1
Crimson Dancers
Crimson Dancers Practice: June 16 (8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.), June 18 (8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.), June 23 (12 p.m.-2 p.m.), June 25 (12 p.m.-2 p.m.), June 30 (8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.), July 2 (8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.), July 7 (8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.), July 9 (8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.).
- Dance camp @ Coffeyville**
Dates: July 13-16
Cross Country/Track
Voluntary Workouts - Monday Through Friday - Begins: July 9 - 7 a.m. - Location: Skate Park
- Football**
Hs Football Camp @ Acjshs: August 3-6 - Time: 7 a.m.-9 a.m. - Camp Fee: \$45 (Covers Camp & Jamboree)
Victory Sports Football Jamboree @ Ottawa: August 7-9 a.m.
- Jh Football Camp @ ACJSHS**
August 3-6 - Time: 6:15 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Camp Fee: \$5 - More Info: **Men's Basketball**
Skill Nights: June 23, 30 & July 7, 14, 21, 28 - Time: 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- Softball**
JH/HS Softball Camp: June 29-July 1 - Time: 1 p.m. - Camp Fee: \$5
- Volleyball**
HS Volleyball Camp: June 22-25 - Time: 12 p.m.-3 p.m. - Camp Fee: \$40
JH Volleyball Camp: June 22-25 - Time: 9 a.m.-11 a.m. - Camp Fee: \$40
- Vb Skill Work (Grades 7-12)**
Monday, Wednesday, Friday - Time: 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. - Starts June 10 Through August 14
- Summer League VB @ Wellsville**
Dates And Details TBD
Women's Basketball
Jr Basketball Camp (4G To 8G)
July 13-15 - Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. - Camp Fee: \$20
Skill Work
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - Time: 7:30 a.m. To 8:30 a.m. - Starts June 1st Through July 31

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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

WORD FUN

Study the two words on each line to find the ONE letter in the left column that is NOT in the word in the right column. Write the extra letter on the blank space. Then read DOWN to answer this riddle:

WHAT INSECTS DO NOT LIKE TO BRAG?

CHINOS ___ COINS GARBLE ___ GLARE
SAMUEL ___ MEALS DROWSE ___ WORDS
MATTER ___ TREAT ERNEST ___ RENTS
BASTER ___ STARE SACHET ___ TEACH
LAMEST ___ STEAM
CAMELS ___ CLAMS

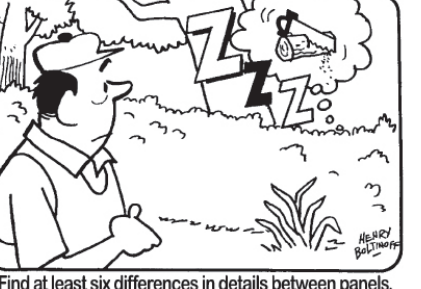
Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

1. Gumdrop or licorice ___ A ___ ___ ___ ___ Model Crawford ___ I ___ ___
2. Grocery store help ___ G ___ ___ ___ Wisconsin's animal ___ D ___ ___
3. Mission Q ___ ___ ___ Visitor ___ G ___ ___
4. Actress Bacall ___ ___ ___ N Victory wreath ___ ___ ___ L
5. Windy month ___ R ___ ___ Tennis game ___ T ___ ___
6. Ping pong racket P ___ ___ ___ Equestrian's chair S ___ ___ ___
7. Speak like a frog ___ ___ ___ A Robber ___ ___ ___ O
8. Ski resort town ___ P ___ ___ Very pale ___ H ___ ___
9. Dog strap ___ ___ ___ H Rental contract ___ ___ ___ E
10. Park warden ___ A ___ ___ ___ Horseshoes score ___ I ___ ___

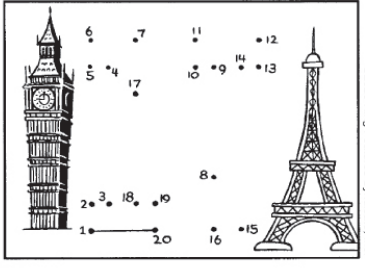
HOCUS-FOCUS



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

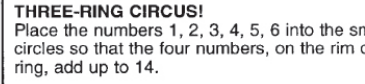


Differences: 1. Tree is added. 2. Hat is different. 3. Vest is different. 4. Nose is rounder. 5. Plant is missing. 6. Cloud is added.



WHAT PART of London is in France? Connect the dots and find out.

Answers: The letter "n".



THREE-RING CIRCUS! Place the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 into the small circles so that the four numbers, on the rim of any ring, add up to 14.

One Answer: A=5, B=5, C=4, D=8, E=2, F=3.

A PANOPLY OF PAN WORDS! In this puzzle all of the words get progressively longer, and they all start with PAN. Use the following definitions:

1. PAN (in place).
2. Type of glass.
3. A jury duty list.
4. Looked for gold.
5. A cure-all.
6. Deep dish fruit dessert.

Junior Whirl

by Charles Barry Townsend

WAY OUT WEST!

At left is a crossword puzzle grid. Below are words pertaining to the puzzle. Try to finish before roundup time.

Old West that you will need to complete the puzzle, using the trial-and-error method. Try to finish before roundup time.

4-letter words: BARN, COLT, PESO, SPUR, STAR

5-letter words: ARROW, BOOTS, HORSE, POSSE, ROCKS, SHACK, SHEEP, STEER, WATER

Answers: (Across) 1. Paso, 4. Arrow, 7. Boots, (Down) 1. Posse, 2. Sheep, 3. Horse, 5. Rocks, 6. Water, 7. Barn, 8. Star.

Kids' Maze

Answers

CHINOS H
COINS H
CANDY CINDY
1. Candy, Cindy
2. Croak, Croak
3. Guest, Guest
4. Aspen, Ashen
5. Leash, Leash
6. March, March
7. Ranger, Ringer
8. Guest, Guest
9. Leash, Leash
10. Ranger, Ringer

Answers

SACHET S
ERNEST E
RENTS E
DROWSE E
WORDS E
GLARE B
GARBLE B
CLAMS E
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CHINOS H
COINS H
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4. Aspen, Ashen
5. Leash, Leash
6. March, March
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8. Guest, Guest
9. Leash, Leash
10. Ranger, Ringer

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GARAGE SALES

St. John's Church - at Greeley, Saturday, June 6. 7am-2pm. \$2 bag sale at noon. Several sales in Greeley. my26t2

HELP WANTED

Crest USD 479 - is accepting applications for a K-12 music teacher. position is open until filled. Contact Mr. Shane Walter at (620) 852-3540 my19t2*

Elementary School Secretary - Crest USD 479 is accepting applications until June 1st for an elementary school secretary. To apply, call (620) 852-3540. my19t2

MAKE MONEY USE THE CLASSIFIEDS!!

HELP WANTED

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Michael Sibley one of a handful of local House District 5 Award recipients

Kansas 5th District Representative Mark Samsel released a list of District Quality Awards recently for locals in his district.

"During the 2019-2020 legislative session I have been inspired by countless individuals across our communities in House District 5," Mark Samsel stated. "In so many ways, they offer our best and brightest stories, and remind us that our best days are still ahead. Ad Astra per Aspera."

- Becky Johnson, Stateswoman of the Year (Parker)
- Michael Sibley, Statesman of the Year (Garnett)
- Breyanna Benjamin & Hannah Boehm, Young Stateswomen of the Year (Crest FFA)
- Will Mechnig, Young Statesman of the Year (Garnett)
- Rex & Alice Patton, Citizens of the Year (Wellsville)
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- Shane Walter, Young Educator of the Year (Crest School District)
- Greg Mast, Journalist of the Year (Ottawa Herald)
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- The Spencer Family, Family of the Year (Garnett)
- Buddy Welch, Coach of the Year (Princeton)
- Nancy Tooley, Official of the Year (Princeton)
- Anthony Geist & Dennis Kichler, Comeback Team of the Year (Wellsville)
- Krista Hedrick, Early Childhood Educator of the Year (Anderson County)
- Hope Licktieg, Elementary Educator of the Year (Central Heights)
- Austin Chisam, Middle School Educator of the Year (Osawatomie)
- Dawn Rottinghaus, High School Teacher of the Year (Wellsville)



USD 365 educator Mike Sibley is flanked by a group of last year's ACHS seniors for the presentation of his 5th District Award. From left: Will Mechnig, Nathan Womelsdorf, Austin Adams, Evan Lutz,

Dalton Duke, Ryland Porter, Damon Kueser, Maggie Reinert, Corey Bowen, Sibley, Lakin Katzer, Lizzy Comfort, Jenna Schmidt

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Greeley Elementary releases 4th quarter & 2nd semester honor rolls

The following Greeley Elementary students are on the Honor Roll for the 4th quarter of the 2019-2020 school year:

- All A's Honor Roll:**
- Sixth Grade**
Isaac Richards, Brooklyn Strobel
- Fourth Grade**
Wyatt Bryan
- Third Grade**
Noelle Stinnett

- A/B Honor Roll:**
- Sixth Grade**
Mitchell Richards, Ashton Roberts
- Fifth Grade**
Martin Grogan, Walker Hermreck, Rylee Meadows, Chloe Moore, Ashlyn Nelson, Lincoln Schaffer, Tristan Smith.
- Fourth Grade**
Haven McCurdy

- Third Grade**
Bentlee Grogan
- The following Greeley Elementary students are on the Honor Roll for the second semester of the 2019-2020 school year:
- All A's Honor Roll:**
- Sixth Grade**
Brooklyn Strobel

- A/B Honor Roll**
- Sixth Grade**
Isaac Richards, Mitchell Richards
- Fifth Grade**
Rylee Meadows, Chloe Moore, Lincoln Schaffer
- Fourth Grade**
Wyatt Bryan, Haven McCurdy
- Third Grade**
Bentlee Grogan, Noelle Stinnett

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then 80 percent of them were 70 and above or something like that. It was really, really dramatic."

Then there was Italy: "I think a lot of the policymakers in the U.S. acted like Italy would happen in the United States, but when you look under the hood of Italy, there were huge differences, and there were reasons why that part of Italy fared as poorly as it did. I think the median age of fatality was something like 82 in some of those areas in Northern Italy. So we looked at that, but that really helped inform the strategy to focus most of our efforts on the at-risk groups."

He was hesitant about sweeping lockdowns, given that there wasn't much of a precedent for them. "One of the things that bothered me throughout this whole time was, I researched the 1918 pandemic, '57, '68, and there were some mitigation efforts done in May 1918, but never just a national-shutdown type deal," he says. "There was really no observed experience about what the negative impacts would be on that."

"So I was very concerned about things on that side as well," he continues, "and I think that's why I had a more nuanced and balanced approach than some of the other governors. Because you have some of these health officials saying, 'You've got to do this. This is science,' or whatever. But really, these were uncharted territories."

The DeSantis team also didn't put much stock in dire projections. "We kind of lost confidence very early on in models," a Florida health official says. "We look at them closely, but how can you rely on something when it says you're peaking in a week and then the next day you've already peaked?" Instead, "we started really focusing on just what we saw."

Florida was better able to do that than many states because of its routine experience dealing with natural disasters. "Many states simply did not have the data infrastructure that Florida has," says Mary Mayhew, secretary of Florida's Agency for Healthcare Administration. "We have an emergency status system that gets stood up, as I mentioned, in the case of a hurricane. Hospitals and nursing homes and other long-term-care providers are required to submit data on a daily basis, twice-daily basis, regarding their bed availability."

The Florida Department of Health produces a report that DeSantis sees every morning: new cases, number of tests, positivity rates, etc. He also gets a rundown of the people who have gone into hospitals and of ICU usage. He can follow the key indicators down to the county level. This allows granular visibility into what's happening. He cites the example of rural Hamilton County. It had 67 cases the other day.

DeSantis was able to call the surgeon general of the state to find out what was going on, and learn it was an outbreak in a prison rather than a wider community spread.

His focus has been on "clinically significant cases," or serious cases that might require hospitalizations, and that pointed to the nursing homes.

Here, Florida is indeed quite vulnerable. The state has roughly 350,000 residents and staff at more than 4,000 long-term-care facilities.

The state took precautions with its seniors generally. "We advised, before there was even mitigation," DeSantis points out, "if you're 65 and older, stay home as much as possible and avoid crowds. And that was just something that made sense." The state talked to senior communities like The Villages about what they were doing to mitigate risk, and they took common-sense measures, such as stopping big indoor gatherings.

But the nursing homes represented a different level of risk. "It was clear to me," says Mary Mayhew, "that there were much higher standards related to infection control being outlined by the federal CDC that well exceeded what our nursing homes traditionally have been expected to adhere to. So we never had false expectations."

Inspectors and assessment teams visited nursing homes. The state homed in on facilities where, Mayhew says, "we had historically cited around infection control. We used that to prioritize our visits to those facilities, understanding that the guidance from CDC was changing frequently. So our initial focus was to be an effective resource education to provide guidance to these facilities to make sure they understood how to request personal protective equipment from the state."

Florida, DeSantis notes, "required all staff and any worker that entered to be screened for COVID illness, temperature checks. Anybody that's symptomatic would just simply not be allowed to go in." And it required staff to wear PPE. "We put our money where our mouth is," he continues. "We recognized that a lot of these facilities were just not prepared to deal with something like this. So we ended up sending a total of 10 million masks just to our long-term-care facilities, a million gloves, half a million face shields."

Florida fortified the hospitals with PPE, too, but DeSantis realized that it wouldn't do the hospitals any good if infection in the nursing homes ran out of control: "If I can send PPE to the nursing homes, and they can prevent an outbreak there, that's going to do more to lower the burden on hospitals than me just sending them another 500,000 N95 masks."

It's impossible to overstate the importance of this

insight, and how much it drove Florida's approach, counter to the policies of New York and other states. ("I don't want to cast aspersions on others, but it is incredible to me, it's shocking," says the Florida health official, "that Governor Cuomo [and others] are able to kind of just avoid real questions about their policies early on to actually send individuals into the nursing home, which is completely counter to the real data.")

Mary Mayhew had daily calls with the hospitals, with people involved in discharge planning on the line. "Every day on these calls," she says, "I would hear the same comments and questions around, we need to get these individuals returned back to the nursing home. We drew a hard line early on. I said repeatedly to the hospital, to the CEOs, to the discharge planners, to the chief medical officers, 'I understand that for 20 years it's been ingrained, especially through Medicare reimbursement policy, to get individuals in and out. That is not our focus today. I'm not going to send anyone back to a nursing home who has the slightest risk of being positive.'"

"What we said constantly is let's not have two cases become 20 or five become 50," she continues. "If you don't manage this individual as you return them back, you will have far more being transferred back to the hospital." Early on, when tests had a slow turnaround, there was a lot of pressure to give way, but Mayhew was unmovable on the question.

At the other end of the equation at the nursing homes, the state made it clear, according to Mayhew, "if you are unable to adhere to these infection-control standards, if you are unable to safely isolate and dedicate staff to an isolation wing or unit, you need to transfer that individual to a hospital."

As the health officials put it, succinctly, "We wanted people out, not in."

When the state was seeing infections at nursing homes presumably caused by staff, DeSantis deployed what he calls "an expeditionary testing force," 50 National Guard teams of four guardsmen together with Department of Health personnel that tested staff and residents.

Most facilities haven't had confirmed cases. "But the ones that have," he says, "the majority of them have had between one and five infections. So the infections are identified, but then, you're isolating either the individual or the small cluster before you have an outbreak."

The state has just deployed a mobile testing lab in an RV that has a rapid test with results in an hour or two. It goes to a community and the staff goes to different long-term-care facilities. "If you're talking about an asymptomatic car-

rier, if you can identify that person instead of waiting 48 hours for lab results to come back, I mean, that could be the difference between saving a lot of infections," according to DeSantis.

The state has also started a sentinel surveillance program for long-term-care facilities, routinely taking representative samples to monitor for flare-ups.

Finally, it has established several COVID-19-only nursing homes, with a couple more in the pipeline. The idea, again, is to get COVID-19-positive residents out of the regular nursing homes to the maximum extent possible.

At the same time Florida was devoting enormous attention to nursing homes and establishing highly restrictive policies to protect them, it was giving its counties latitude in how they reacted to the crisis.

"I said from the beginning," DeSantis explains, "we're a big, diverse state. The epidemic is not going to affect this state uniformly, and what's appropriate in Miami and Broward may not be appropriate for Jacksonville or the Panhandle. And that's pretty much the way we did it."

"We worked with the locals in Southeast Florida," he continues. "They had more restrictive measures than the rest of the state."

And understandably so: "Even at this point, 60 percent of our cases have come from just those three counties. I mean, they represent 29 percent of the population, but 60 percent of the cases, and certainly a majority of the fatalities and hospitalizations."

DeSantis eventually did issue his own statewide order, but he argues that it was more flexible and less prescriptive

than those of other states. "We had a broad essential-business definition," he says. "So we basically had businesses operating. We had the daycares open, we had recreation open, and my order never actually closed any businesses. We allowed them to operate within the context of just limiting contact between people outside the household."

He was relaxed from the beginning about outdoor activities, even as critics sounded the alarm about the beaches: "I always believed that respiratory viruses were less likely to be transmitted in a hot outdoor environment, and then you started to see the studies come in, in March, saying that that's what it was."

He thinks that the relatively short, relatively capacious shutdown order has allowed Florida to be ahead of the curve of reopening of the more restrictive states. DeSantis maintains that "what we did in March and April is the equivalent of what New York will be or California, when they go to phase three."

Looking ahead, he says, "being measured and being thoughtful and just following data is important." He's not following the advice of some people to, as he puts it, "just rip off the Band-Aid and just go whole hog." In looking at

the cases every day, there are cases in prisons and nursing homes, but "outside of south-east Florida, we're not seeing a huge amount of community transmission, which is a good sign." Of course, testing will continue to be a priority, as it has been all along.

"Our 13 drive-through sites in the state of Florida, we can do about 10,000 tests a day, just on those sites," he says. "And we obviously have so much more testing going on in hospitals, doctor's offices. But we can do 10,000 tests a day, and we average about 5,000 people that actually come to test. So we have a surplus of availability."

Perhaps things will still go wrong in Florida, perhaps its relative good fortune can be chalked up to weather, perhaps county-level lockdowns made a big difference, but no one can say that the state hasn't taken a thoughtful approach to the crisis. Or, no one can reasonably say that — which, of course, hasn't stopped many journalists.

"I view it more as a badge of honor that I was doing a good job," DeSantis says, "and that they viewed me as a target, because if I wasn't, they probably would just ignore me."

—Rich Lowery is editor of the National Review.

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