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Inflation a sales tax bonanza for Kansas, but not small towns

While big shopping towns reap tax gains, rurals mostly miss boat

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

TOPEKA - Some rural counties in Kansas seem to be missing the benefits of inflation-spurred consumer prices and the resulting increase in sales tax collections in their localities, but the state overall continues to make a killing on those inflation-driven higher prices and they seem more apparent in recent months

A review of November Kansas collected nearly \$1.1 billion in sales tax so far this year - 11.1 percent more than the same period last year

sales tax distribution shows Anderson County's sales tax collections increased only 1.7 percent over the year-to-date figures from January through November 2022, but distributions were nearly 11 percent higher for the month of November compared to November a year ago. Sales tax collections are collected in any given month, then remitted to the state by retailers by the 25th of the following month, with distribution of those funds made back to the taxing authorities the month after that. November's distribution of those funds to local governments would have been mainly based on September's retail sales.

Anderson County's 1.5 percent tax on taxable sales generated about \$1.245 million so far in 2022. That tax rate drops to 1.0 in January with the expiration of the portion of the tax that funded bonds on the construction of the Anderson County Jail. Local sales tax is a combination of individual amounts of city sales tax depending on jurisdiction (.5 in Garnett, 1 percent in Kincaid) in addition to 1.5 percent county and 6.5 percent Kansas tax. The State of Kansas as a whole

however has seen an 11.1 percent increase in sales tax collections/distributions so far this year, more in keeping with an estimated 8.2 percent national inflation rate earlier in November. Kansas collected nearly \$1.1 billion in sales tax so far this year - 11.1 percent more than the same period last year - and a 28.3 percent increase from \$83 million to \$106 million in that single month reflecting August sales alone.

Analysts generally agree on a national inflation rate of some 7.5-8.5 percent over the past 18 months, driven by supply chain issues resulting from the Covid lockdowns of 2020 and 2021 and from massive amounts of federal dollars pumped into the economy to attempt to offset the government-forced

reduction of economic activity. However, anecdotal comparisons of actual family purchases show price increases as high as 15 percent.

Higher fuel prices over the past two years, though driving inflation in the cost of production and shipping of goods, aren't subject to sales tax. Those prices are however subject to state excise taxes - 24 cents per gallon for gasoline and 26 cents for diesel fuel, and an additional 18.4 cent per gallon federal tax on gasoline.

Consumers in general have paid more and communities have gained more in taxes on those inflated prices in Kansas' more metro shopping areas than in its rural countryside communities. Linn County saw an 8.4 percent decrease comparing November 2022 to November 2021 and just a .9 percent increase year-to-date. Retail powerhouse Johnson County however jumped 42 percent in November comparisons to \$18.8 million this year and increased 13.4 percent year-to-date to \$194.8 million.

Also impacting Kansas sales tax numbers is consumers' mood toward spending

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The tax that was

The rarity of a tax that goes away will be visited on the county as 2023 dawns

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

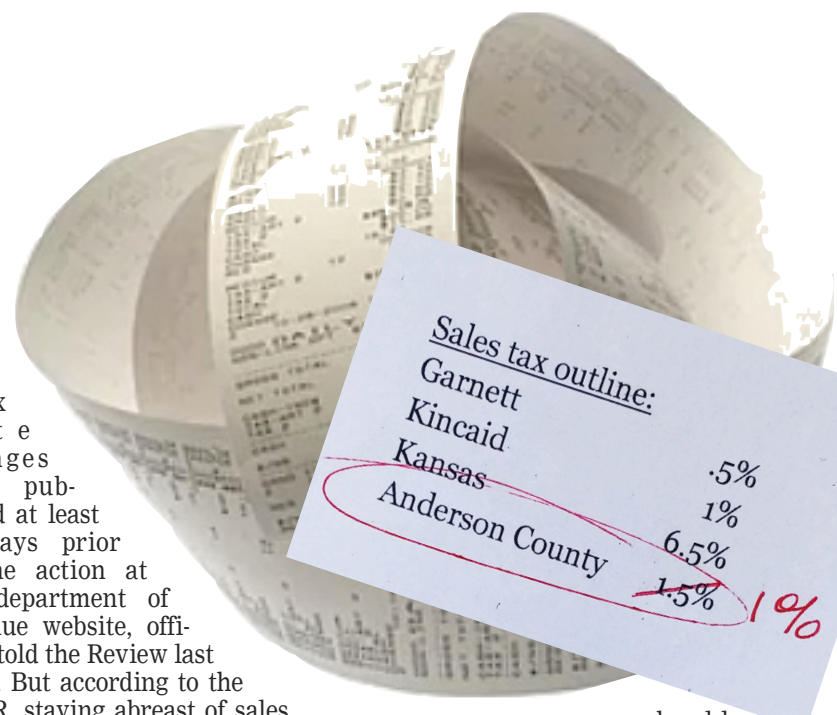
GARNETT - Prices for most retail goods will go down a little after this month in Anderson County, with the sunset of the 1/2 cent sales tax added to the local sales tax total 16 years ago to help pay for construction of the Anderson County Jail.

That tax ends at the end of December, and means local retailers will end up reprogramming their cash registers and point of purchase software to reflect that 1/2 cent savings per every dollar of sales - from 1.5 cents to 1 cent of county tax. It's the first time at least in recent memory that an authorized sales tax has been reduced, and the uncommon event brings certain questions about notification to retailers and assurance that the word on the good news gets passed.

A statement from the Kansas Department of Revenue said quarterly

sales tax rate changes

are published at least 60 days prior to the action at the department of revenue website, officials told the Review last week. But according to the KDOR, staying abreast of sales tax changes is pretty much left up to retailers. "The vast majority of sales tax returns are filed on-line via the Kansas Department of Revenue Customer Service Center," the statement from the department said. "Notice of sales tax rate changes is included under the 'Current News' section of the Customer Service Center home page. Additionally, sales and use tax account holders receive a splash screen within the Customer Service Center advising users of every quarterly tax change." The statement said businesses



should regularly monitor the website and Customer Service Center news to keep up-to-date on all rate changes.

"If a business overcharges sales tax from a customer, the business needs to either refund the customer or remit the tax on their sales tax return," KDOR said.

Voters approved the addition of the tax in 2006 as part of the funding arrangement to cover the costs of building the jail, along with a back up property tax and revenue from renting cells

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Covid funds authorized again for teacher retention

Nearly two years later, Covid cash still makes impact as it circulates around community

BY DANE HICKS THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

GARNETT - Actions by the Unified School District 365 Board of Education last week showed how federal Covid funds continue to play a role locally more than two years after massive government spending was engaged to put money in the pockets of businesses,

organizations and individuals to shore up an economy that was virtually shut down by government Covid precautions.

Board members approved a \$750 incentive payment to district teachers and staff from the district's Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds, the second year the incentive's been paid locally. Staff incentives were included among the allowable uses for the funds under the passage of the law.

ESSER funds are part of the Coronavirus Response, Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act enacted in March

2020. Kansas received about \$1.3 billion in initial federal funds to help schools address the challenges of teaching after government authorities shut them down in the spring of 2020. Some \$85 million of that amount was dedicated as ESSER funds.

Additional federal funds followed that initial outlay when Kansas received another \$370 million in December 2020 in what is referred to as "ESSER II" funding. More money was on its way in early 2021 from yet another federal out-

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Subpoenas returned as court preps for Briggs prelim

GARNETT - Subpoenas were being returned late last month as witnesses were assembled for an upcoming February preliminary hearing for a Kincaid man accused of threats against Anderson County Sheriff's Department personnel last summer.

The witnesses were ordered to testify in the case against George Arlynn Briggs of Kincaid, who faces a single count of felony criminal threat and additional misdemeanors alleging he violated protection orders issued that barred him from contact with sheriff's department staff and deputies. A preliminary

hearing to hear testimony has been set for February 14, if a plea agreement is not reached.

Briggs, who was a candidate in the August Kansas governor's primary race and who pulled some 80,000 votes in his unsuccessful bid to become the Republican selection to face Laura Kelly, became involved in a feud with the ACSO after deputies say he queried



Briggs

the department in the spring of this year to determine if it was investigating an acquaintance of Briggs' in Colony. The probable cause affidavit filed for the arrest warrant details an escalating course of conversations between Briggs and department personnel, culminating in what the department claims was an attempt by Briggs to bate deputies onto his property after saying "If they come on my property I will shoot them, and that is a promise," the affidavit said.

The affidavit also quotes a recorded

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KU Law School free speech attack sends KSC justice packing

Justice Stegall resigns in protest after KU's treatment around conservative speaker

BY PATRICK RICHARDSON THE SENTINEL

LAWRENCE - Just over a month after an associate dean at the University of Kansas School of Law labeled a speech that had yet to be given "hate speech," Justice Caleb Stegall resigned from his teaching position at KU Law over the controversy.

The incident illuminates a Kansas focal point on what some national analysts say is the growing institutionalization of threat to free speech, especially by liberal-influenced organizations against opposing voices.

On Oct. 19, the KU student chapter of the Federalist Society (FedSoc) invited Jordan Lorence, the senior counsel and director of strategic engagement at the Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF), to speak to KU Law students about the First Amendment's Establishment Clause.

Associate Dean for Academic and

Student Affairs Leah Terranova fired off an email to the entire staff and student body of the law school, decrying the talk as "hate speech" 90 minutes before the start of Lorence's talk.

On November 25, Kansas Supreme Court Justice Caleb Stegall, who has been teaching appellate advocacy at KU Law as a member of the adjunct faculty, submitted a scathing, six-page resignation letter to Dean Stephen Mazza, head of the law school.

Stegall wrote that he had sensed "a dampening of the spirit of open inquiry I have so loved and benefited from at KU Law. A spirit that - going all the way back to my days as a law student - always existed within Green Hall. But events this fall have brought an unwelcome clarity to what before was only a vague and foreboding feeling. So I write to let you know that, as a result, I will not be renewing my teaching relationship



Stegall

with KU Law next fall."

The Sentinel reached out to several members of the KU Law faculty, including Mazza, the communications department of the school of law, as well as members of the school's Federalist Society chapter for comment, but as of publication, had received a response only from Mazza.

Mazza confirmed the authenticity of both the letter and Stegall's resignation.

"I received Justice Stegall's note and replied ..." Mazza said. "In my response, I told him that I appreciate that he took the time to share his thoughts. I thanked him for his service to our school as an adjunct professor, and I assured him that his perspective is valued here.

"The University takes pride in its role as a marketplace of ideas, and we strive to provide opportunities for various perspectives to be debated and discussed within our community."

Marketplace of ideas or closed and fearful environment?

However, in his resignation letter, Stegall said he was concerned about

a "closed and fearful environment, brimming with hidden hostilities and carefully nursed grievances."

Directly referencing the controversy over Lorence, Stegall said he was "disappointed to hear from KU Law students who recently came to me to express concern over administration actions surrounding a lunch-hour event sponsored by the student chapter of the Federalist Society."

According to Stegall's letter, after the announcement of the Lorence event, there was a "significant uproar" among students and faculty.

Stegall wrote that when members of the KU FedSoc expressed concern about what might happen at the event and asked the administration to provide security, the students were instead told they should cancel.

"In response, the administration asked to meet with the entire student board of the chapter.

"At that meeting, Associate Dean Leah Terranova and Professor Pam Keller pressured the students to cancel the event," Stegall wrote. "The administration representatives

warned the student leaders that they needed to consider and understand the impact the event could have on them. The administration mentioned that at least five law professors had written to object. The students were told that even though it was their right to host the speaker, they needed to be warned about the impact of their choices. The student leaders were told several times to consider what this would do to their reputation."

While Stegall, in his letter, was at pains to state he did not believe there was "...intent to threaten or coerce the board members of the student chapter, I can even see that this effort was likely an ill-conceived attempt to protect those students."

Whether the administration was actually threatening the students or not in that meeting, Terranova, head of the school's Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging Committee, quickly accused the ADF of taking "legal positions designed to criminalize homosexuality, demonize

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NEWS IN BRIEF

TOYS FOR TOTS DEADLINE DEC. 6

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New committee to examine unmet legal needs in rural Kansas

TOPEKA—Chief Justice Marla Luckert today signed an order creating the Kansas Rural Justice Initiative Committee to examine unmet legal needs in rural Kansas related to a shrinking number of attorneys living and working in rural areas.

Luckert, a fourth-generation Kansan raised in Sherman County, said the trend toward fewer attorneys in rural areas is not unique to Kansas. She also noted attorneys in rural areas tend to be older, and some work well beyond a typical retirement age because there is no one available to take over the work.

In Kansas, the ratio of active attorneys to population ranges from two for every 535 residents in urban areas to one for every 808 residents in rural areas. Two counties—Wichita and Hodgeman—have no attorneys. Five counties have one attorney and 11 others have only two.

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lay, the American Rescue Plan Act, which conveyed another \$830 million to Kansas schools.

Anderson County earlier this year divvied up the last of a total of some \$3 million it received in Covid relief funds from the 2020 and 2021 disbursements to a number of county organizations, government agencies, non-profits and businesses.

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conversation on June 1 from the lobby of the department office in which Briggs claims accessibility to advanced weapons. "I've got Uzis, I've got AR15s, I've got... you name it, I've got it. I know where there's a surface-to-air missile."

Briggs told the Iola Register after his June arrest he had no intention of harming anyone, and that his comments were intended "metaphorically."

If convicted of the felony, Briggs could face fines of up to \$100,000 and five to 17 months in prison.

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to out-of-area law enforcement departments. In 2011 county commissioners adopted a plan to hold back 60 percent of jail revenues to use to retire the debt, and that fund reached an amount

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after having endured spiking prices for more than a year. Bloomberg News Service reported in June that 26 states had seen sales tax revenue fall in April.

ANDERSON COUNTY COMMISSION

November 28, 2022

Convene:

Chairman Leslie McGhee called the meeting of the Anderson County Commission to order at 9:00 AM on November 28, 2022 at the Anderson County Commission Room. Attendance: Leslie McGhee, Present: David Pracht, Present: Anthony Mersman, Present. The pledge of allegiance was recited. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved as presented.

Road & Bridge:

Lester Welsh, Road & Bridge Supervisor, met with the commission. He gave an update on county roads. He also let the commissioners know heid received the signed document back from Barnes and Belchers to open NE 2100 road. He'll give the document to James Campbell to complete the process.

Adjourn:

Meeting adjourned at 12:00PM due to no further business.

USD 365 School Board Meeting December 1, 2022

Regular meeting held: Thursday, December 1, 2022, 7:00 p.m., Ray Meyer Gym Board Room.

Members present: Mike Richards (President-presiding), Brian Schafer, Adam Caylor, Gina Witherspoon and Gary Teel. Sonya Martin and Gaylene Comfort were absent.

Staff present: Donald Blome (Superintendent), Paula Wallace (Clerk), Stacey Hedges (Curriculum Director), Geoff Meiss (Principal/ACJSHS), Marshall Nienstedt (Asst. Principal/ACJSHS), Angela Linn (Principal/GRE & WES), Dan Ackland (Principal/GES), Brett Linn (Technology Director), and Shelley Alexander (Teacher/ACJSHS). Others present: Sean Gordon

Call to order: 7:00 p.m. by Richards. Recognitions: Marshall recognized the students selected for 1st & 2nd team in Football and Volleyball.

1st Team football – Dallas Kueser and Payteon Markham on offense; Noah Wheeler and Porter Foltz on defense;

Garrison Martin on Special Teams 2nd Team football – Porter Foltz on offense;

Dallas Kueser on defense; 1st Team volleyball – Brook Galey and Rilyn Sommer;

2nd Team volleyball – Caitlyn Foltz Public Comments:

Ordering and approval of agenda: Motion to approve the agenda as presented. Witherspoon, Schafer, passed 5-0.

Action Item

- Motion to accept and approve the report of the audit of the financial statements of the district for fiscal year 2021-2022 prepared by the accounting firm Gordon CPA. Teel, Witherspoon, passed 5-0.
- Motion to approve the purchase of a new Hobart commercial dishwasher for the ACJSHS kitchen at an installed cost of \$58,369 from Hubert Co. using the Greenbush Procurement Bid contract (AEPA IFB#022.5C Intuitive Kitchen Equipment). Teel, Witherspoon, passed 5-0.

- Motion to approve out-of-state travel for selected qualified members and advisor for the attached event. Witherspoon, Caylor, passed 5-0.
- Motion to approve the Neosho County Community College Memo of Understanding "Northern Concurrent Initiative". Witherspoon, Teel, passed 5-0.

Discussion Items:

- Facility and Transportation
- New State Graduation Requirements
- Property & Casualty Insurance
- Personnel

Break:

- Motion for a 10 minute break. Richards, Teel, passed 5-0.

Executive session:

- Motion that the board of educa-

tion go into executive session to discuss the individual employee status, applicants for employment pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA with Superintendent Blome and that the board will resume the open meeting in this room at 8:20 p.m.. Richards, Schafer, passed 5-0. Personal:

- Motion to accept the recommendation of Jeicho Hawkins as Westphalia custodian. Richards, Teel, passed 5-0.

- Motion to approve the following supplemental recommendations. Bryan Johnston – Assistant High School Girls Basketball Coach Richards, Witherspoon, passed 5-0.

- Motion to approve retention incentives of up to \$750.00 in January and up to \$750 in June using ESSER funds. Richards, Witherspoon, passed 5-0.

Adjourned: 8:23 p.m. Schafer, Teel. Passed 5-0.

ANDERSON COUNTY COURT LIMITED ACTION CASES FILED

Waymond Lee Wood, owner of a 2014 Kia Soul, that was said to be damaged by Elizabeth Ann Billingsley on or about August 6, 2021 due to negligent and careless driving causing damages of \$9,950.51 and the defendant has failed, refused and neglected to pay even though demand for payment for said damage has been made. Plaintiff is entitled to an allowance of attorney fees in the amount of not less than \$281.25 to be taxed as a part of the costs of this action.

The Kansas Department of Revenue has filed a State Tax Warrant against Tonia J Redding in the amount of \$543.39 for Individual Income Taxes for 2021.

Ottawa Family Physicians Chartered, has filed suit against Alexis Y. Velez in the amount of \$408.81, plus prejudgement interest of \$99 as of November 3, 2022, for court costs of \$54.25 and for a service fee of \$15, which totals \$577.06 as of November 3, 2022 plus prejudgement interest continuing at the rate of \$0.1120 per day until judgement, and post-judgement interest at the highest legal rate.

ANDERSON COUNTY COURT CIVIL CASES FILED

Tyler Silvis has filed a Petition for Change of Name as the petitioner's birth certificate shows his name as Tyler Silvis but the petitioner desires to have his legal name changed to Tyler Julich because his original name was given to him by his mother, due to issues that arose between her and the father but it is the petitioner's wish to carry on his father's last name.

PennyMac Loan Services, LLC has filed a Petition for Mortgage Foreclosure against George E Hilbert IV, John Doe, Jane Doe, United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, and assigns and deceased defendants, the unknown executors, administrators, devisees, trustees, creditors, successors and assigns of any defendants that are or were partners or in a partnership for the property located at 125 W 6th Ave., Garnett, KS 66032 and is legally described as follows: Lots 18 and 19 in block 54 in the City of Garnett, Anderson County, Kansas as a loan funded for the principal fund of \$163,975 which the defendant has failed, neglected and refused to make payments since July 1, 2022.

ANDERSON COUNTY MARRIAGE LICENSES FILED

Mason Skiles, Garnett, and Hannah Coombs, Garnett, application for Marriage License.

Patricia Lynn Vance, Kansas City, and Marcus Levar Martin, Kansas City, application for a Marriage License. Ryan David Yutzy, Garnett, and Sylvia Lyn Keim, Garnett, application for a Marriage License.

ANDERSON COUNTY COURT CRIMINAL CASES FILED

Sean J Williams has been charged with interference with law enforcement charging he unlawfully, feloniously, and falsely reported to law enforcement officer, law enforcement agency, or state investigative agency that a particular person had committed a felony crime, knowing that such information was false and intending that the officer or agency act in reliance upon such information, a severity level 8 nonperson felony.

Jayce T Ingham has been charged with possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, driving while suspended and speeding 89 mph in a 55 mph zone.

ANDERSON COUNTY TRAFFIC CASES FILED

Nicholas Drew Stoltzfuss has been charged with speeding 65 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$153.

Patrick Gage Foster has been charged with failure to wear a seatbelt, \$30.

Christopher Maynard Stockebrand has been charged with speeding 75 mph in a 65 mph zone, \$153.

Helen Kathryn Roberts has been charged with child passenger safety; restraining systems & seat belts required and vehicle liability insurance required.

Jose Victorino Morales Hernandez has been charged with operating a motor vehicle without a valid license and vehicle liability insurance required. Scott Dennis Schulte has been charged with failure to wear a seatbelt, \$30.

Monica Ann Rodriguez has been charged with speeding 75 mph in a 65 mph zone, \$153.

Elliot Patrick Shields has been charged with speeding 75 mph in a 65 mph zone, \$153.

Adam Scott Boyer has been charged with speeding 81 mph in a 65 mph zone, \$189.

Ashlee D. Geiler has been charged with driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs and unsafe turning or stopping; failure to give proper signal. Lane Dyer has been charged with speeding 86 mph in a 65 mph zone, \$222.

Martin Leo Gellhaus has been charged with speeding 74 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$207.

LAND TRANSFERS

Gloria Jean Ray to Blake Boone and Kristen Boone for Block 35 in the City of Colony.

Legacy Farms LLC to Scheckel Farms, Gerald W. Scheckel, Leslie C. Scheckel, tracks and section 20 Township 19 range 19 all of the southeast quarter.

Norman L Sweet and Lita M. Sweet to King Oil Incorporated 70 Acres off the south side of the Northwest fractional quarter of section 6 Township 21 South, section 6 Township 1 range 20 all of the Northwest quarter.

Mary A. Hunt, Mary A Lizer, Karen Hunt, John P. Burdett, Tyra Burdette Elizabeth Burdett, Elizabeth

Vale, Martin Vail, to Jerry Deters and Laura Deters, Lot 5 in the Centennial Addition to the City of Garnett.

Linda M. Womelsdorf to Travis M. Roach, E2 Lot 12 and all of lot 13, Block 30, City of Colony.

Matthew W Bahnsen and Aimee L. Bahnsen to Courtland T. Parker, a tract of land located in the Southeast quarter of section for Township 23 range 20 further described as beginning at the southeast corner.

Martha A Nilges to Allen C. Nilges, Kim Klotz, and Tyler R. Klotz, all of the southeast quarter of Section 35 Township 22 south.

B & B Farms to Muth Properties LLC, section 32 Township 22 21 part of the Northeast quarter.

Kimberly D. Raines AKA Kimberly D. Spencer and German Raines to Michelle J. Jackland and Daniel T. Ackland, Block 7 Lots 1-5 to the City of Garnett.

Jodi Wille to Preston W Peine and Linda E. Peine, block 4 Lot 1 in the Bryson Addition to the City of Garnett.

Preston Frazell and Kelly Frazell to Kim Klotz and Tyler R. Klotz, the Northwest quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 36 Township 22 Range 20.

Brian R Weller to David J. White and Vicky S. White, block 3 Lots 2-3 in the Evergreen Meadows subdivision to the City of Garnett.

Susan M. Stanley and Susan M. Bond to Preston W. Peine and Linda E. Peine in the northwest corner, lot 1, block 4 of the Bryson addition to the City of Garnett.

Ronald B. Spillman and Karen Spillman to Franklin Giles II and Camille Giles, a tract of land in the Northwest quarter of Section 28 Township 22 Range 21.

Orval Stever to Frakes Investments LLC, block 10 lots 7-9 in the City of Colony.

Moore Louisburg No 2 LP to JK family Holdings LLC, the Northeast quarter of Section 6 Township Range 18.

Ellen Leyser and Jason Leyser to the trustees of the New Life Baptist Church of Kansas, a tract in Section 25 Township 20 Range 19.

Brock Rickerson and Bobby Rickerson to Woody Outdoors LLC, Tract 1: the Northwest quarter of Section 25 Township 20 south Range 19.

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FEUERBORN

JANUARY 28, 1943 – NOVEMBER 28, 2022

Nikki June Feuerborn, 79, known as Mimi to her family, passed away on Monday, November 28, 2022.

Nikki is survived by her husband, Glen; daughters, Megan Featherston, Tara Griffith (Steve) and Glenda Feuerborn; grandchildren, Parker Featherston, Colton Kropf, Sophia Zahn, Tessa Griffith and Campbell Griffith; great-grandchild, Brenlee Kropf; siblings, Rita Boydston, Paula Walter, Lana Falke and John Drum; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Nikki valued relationships and spent a lifetime making friends and keeping them. She was predeceased by her parents, Paul Drum and Beryl Goodwin Drum.

Nikki was born on January 28, 1943, in Garnett, Kansas. She was a bright light from the beginning. Always a quick study and eager to take life by the tail, Nikki graduated from Westphalia High School at only 16 years old. She attended college at Chanute Community College then transferred to Emporia State. Nikki and Glen owned several businesses throughout their 46 years of marriage. Nikki loved politics and was known as "The best of the best in Kansas Legislative Services". She committed herself to state government from 1991-2010 and worked for a variety of representatives and senators. Nikki, a lifelong supporter of women's educational philanthropies, was a member of the P.E.O. for 32 years in

Chapters P and JI in Holton, Kansas, and Chapter EP in Topeka. She served as the Kansas State P.E.O. President in 2005-2006.

Nikki loved to entertain and made interior design seem effortless. Her sense of style resonated in her persona, her home, and the thousands of parties she hosted in her lifetime.

She loved all things beautiful and exemplified living life to the fullest. The family's favorite quote from Nikki is, "If you can't see my jewelry from across the street, it is not worth wearing."

Visitation was 5 p.m. with everyone invited to a celebration of life at 6 p.m. on Monday, December 5, 2022, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka.

Mass of Resurrection will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Tuesday, December 6, 2022, at Christ the King Catholic Church, 5973 SW 25th Street, Topeka KS 66614.

The family requests memorial contributions be made to the P.E.O. Foundation, in the memo line please write for the Virginia Davis Memorial Fund, and sent in care of the funeral home. Condolences may be sent online to www.kevinbrennanfamily.com.



Feuerborn

LaVerne Howarter, age 100 of Lone Elm, Kansas, passed away on Saturday, November 26, 2022, at Parkview Heights in Garnett.

Altha LaVerne Henderson was born on a farm near Bush City, Kansas on November 17, 1922, to Boyd and Altha (Dall) Henderson. LaVerne was the ninth child born to this union, she and her three brothers and five sisters graduated from the same country school as her parents. LaVerne graduated from Kincaid High School in 1941.

During World War II LaVerne worked in a parachute factory in Los Angeles that made bathing suits in peacetime. After serving in Europe Wayne returned to the states ahead of being sent to the

Philippines. During this time the high school sweethearts were married on October 17, 1944. Wayne returned from the Philippines on December 7, 1945. The following month they moved to their farm north of Lone Elm, where they made their home until their deaths.

LaVerne worked for the Anderson County Conservation District for 16 years, retiring in 1986. She was an active member of the Order of the Eastern Star for many years, she held many offices, including Grand



Howarter

Worthy Matron. She liked gardening, sewing, and her cats.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Wayne on January 16, 2008; five sisters, Florence Osborn, Clara Warbritton, Florine Costley, Mary Smith, and Esther Scott; three brothers, Orin Henderson, Leonard Henderson, and Wayne Henderson.

Her family who will miss her greatly are her sons, Jerry Howarter and wife, Pam of Garnett, Terry Howarter and wife, Susan of Topeka, Kansas; six grandchildren, Jamie of Overland Park, Kansas, Mark and wife, Stephani of Baldwin City, Kansas, Matt and wife, Shiela of Overland Park, Kansas, David and wife,

Alisha of Frisco, Texas, Katey of Greenville, Wisconsin, Carl Smith and husband, Devon of Topeka, Kansas; seven great grandchildren, Meyer, Turner, Emily, Lydia, Sophie, Hunter, and Nadia Howarter; many relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 PM on Friday, December 2, 2022, at the Feuerborn Family Funeral Service Chapel in Garnett, Kansas. Burial will follow in the Lone Elm Cemetery. LaVerne's family will greet friends on Thursday evening from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Lone Elm Community Building or Kincaid High School Community Building and left in care of the funeral home.

Study says offshore wind farms not as friendly as thought to environment

BERLIN, GERMANY – A new peer reviewed study from German scientists found that offshore wind farms — the sort of supposedly "green" alternative to existing energy sources with which President Biden and Democrats want to fill America's coastal waters — are not as safe for marine ecosystems as their proponents may argue.

The researchers looked at one area and ecosystem in particular — the North Sea — where the world's largest offshore wind

farm (OWF) opened earlier in 2022. Relying on modeling and simulations in order to see what the "systematic, large-scale, time-integrated response of the ocean to large OWF clusters" would be, the study's authors found evidence that offshore wind power generation, supposedly great for the planet actually introduced factors that negatively impact sea life.

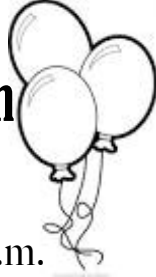
According to a summary of the study, researchers reported that their "results provide evidence that the ongoing off

shore wind farm developments can have a substantial impact on the structuring of coastal marine ecosystems on basin scales."

The wind wake effect of offshore wind farms affects the hydrodynamical conditions in the ocean, which has been hypothesized to impact marine primary production. So far only little is known about the ecosystem response to wind wakes under the premisses of large off shore wind farm clusters.

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LAND & HOME REVIEW

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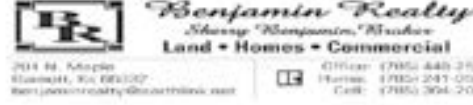
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The problem is simple: Evil

Last week after another horrendous mass shooting by a psychopath in Colorado (quickly followed by the carnage in Virginia), I cut through all the gun-control noise and defined the real problem: evil. I did this on my fact-based TV newscast, "The No Spin News," and my analysis garnered significant reaction. Viewers wanted me to further define the concept of evil which is rarely discussed in this country anymore.

That's because the struggle between good and evil is biblically-based, and studying the Bible has been demonized, pardon the pun, in our hyper-secular society. Any kind of "religiosity" can get you labeled in a pejorative way.

But in order to understand evil, you have to channel Moses and the Ten Commandments. Uh-oh. A document that instructs folks about what not to do? Can't have that - far too judgmental.

Most Americans might be able to remember a few commandments - like do not kill or commit adultery - but it gets foggy after that for secular citizens who far outnumber spiritual Americans.

But the Commandments, which adorn the main chamber of the US Supreme Court, are simple: if you intentionally harm another person, that is an evil act.

Yes, we're all sinners. We are often weak. We lie about others (bearing false witness), we steal (cheat), and we put our own desires over others, even if that hurts them.

So, most human beings commit evil acts, but it is those who consistently harm people who are truly evil. I put that number at about 15 percent of humanity, based on my experience and historical knowledge. Lot of folks.

Of course, few will admit they are evil. There's always an excuse. Here's a vivid example. The drug addict who steals, mugs, or sells narcotics to others in order to obtain money to get high. These people routinely commit acts of evil, but society has afforded them an out: they have a "disease." Therefore, the crimes they commit are ignored in many jurisdictions.

So, the addict or alcoholic is free to live a life of inebriation, harming their children and families and countless strangers in pursuit of mind alteration. These people are allowed to run wild while bringing pain and suffering to those they target.

It's evil; the entire substance abuse world is revolting.



BILL O'REILLY, Guest Commentary

Back to the Bible. One of the worst sins is harming children, which is made quite clear. Another evil is betrayal; that's why Judas Iscariot is featured so prominently in the New Testament. Sins of the flesh are largely forgivable unless incorporated into a lifestyle. Herod Antipas executed John the Baptist for pointing that out.

Murder is evil; that's a given. The psychotics killing innocent people may be emotionally disturbed, but that does not excuse them. The drug gangs gunning down thousands across the country are pure evil. So are members of the Mexican drug cartels who, if there is a higher power, will be spending the after-life time with the Nazis and Stalin/Mao acolytes.

Finally, the internet makes hurting others much easier on a variety of fronts as anonymous gutter-snipes wail away. Also, truly evil people can find cohorts much easier in cyberspace than they ever could in real life.

American public schools need to begin teaching about the struggle between good and evil, which defines the Judeo-Christian philosophy upon which the US Constitution is based. No religion is needed. Just a belief in right and wrong and why evil must be aggressively rejected by a just society.

Not optimistic that will happen because we live in a cowardly time - when many simply turn away from evil acts. They don't want to get involved.

This enables the brutal evil we see all the time the world over. Yes, evil-doers will always be with us. But now we are making it easier for them.

God help us.

- Bill O'Reilly owns and operates "The No Spin News." See more at www.billoreilly.com.



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Mr. Hicks, you ask the question 'what the heck has happened?' meaning to your GOP. It's so simple I think even you would know the answer. Trump, that's what happened.

I'm pretty sure it's the business of churches to advocate Godly behavior. Lately it seems like the speech and behavior of a lot of folks in government is not living up to that standard. If you interpret criticism of that as directed more toward one political party than the other I guess you will see it as political. That's you making it political, not the church.

(Name Deleted) down on Seventh Street has done it again with the Christmas decorations. Absolutely beautiful. Thanks for making our town look so interesting and wonderful.

Tonight at the Rec Center I saw some idiot put a water bottle in the Pringles holder on the treadmill.

Anti-Christian liberals love to threaten the tax-exempt status of churches in order to prevent conservatives from exercising free speech, but they never mention all the supposed not-for-profits and 501c3s like the ones paid for by George Soros and other socialist America haters that espouse nothing but Leftism. Thank God the Joel Olsteens and Franklin Grahams still strike fear in the hearts of you commies.

So now Trump says he wants to destroy part of the Constitution. Finally, he and the Democrats have something in common.

It's time to end the vaccine mandates. Our military recruitment is down 25 percent and military members were thrown out for refusing a vaccine they don't need for military readiness. This is stupid, pointless and it weakens our national defense.

Dear America: It's okay to be white.

We live in a country where your kid can't pretend to be an Indian but a man can pretend to be a woman.

Grocery merger no boon for farmers, ranchers

Recently in the news, I read about another proposed merger in the food industry. In October Kroger and Albertsons announced their potential partnership. The logic for this merger is single in purpose, to be large enough to compete with America's two top grocers, Walmart and Amazon.

The CEO of Kroger, Rodney McMullen, was quoted as saying the merger would save the combined companies over one billion dollars in administration and distribution costs, and allow technology sharing. While that may sound good if you are an investor, what does this mean to the rest of us?

For consumers, this is a no-win situation. Right now, the two combined chains have just over 5,000 stores in 35 states, along with several overlapping markets. Not new to a large grocery merger, Albertsons acquired Buttrety Food and Drug, a Montana family-owned chain in 1998. But in this case, all that will happen is the new Kroger-Albertsons group will keep the newest and better-performing stores and sell the underperforming stores. A setback for anyone who wishes to compete with



BRUCE SHULTZ, VICE-PRESIDENT - NFO

Kroger-Albertsons, there are also jobs lost locally when a merger happens. Albertsons closed a Buttrey distribution center, so those warehouse and trucking jobs were lost.

Kroger-Albertsons says it wants to compete with the big boys, but let's get something straight; these two are already the big boys. According to FoodIndustry.com, Kroger is the 4th largest retail grocer with sales in 2021 of \$137 billion and Albertsons is 5th at \$71 billion. If they combine, they would control 15 percent of the grocery marketplace in America. Kroger CEO McMullen stated they want to more effectively compete with the top two supermarket chains, and this merger will give them greater power in the marketplace in order to do that. This means that they will

be able to lower the prices they are paying distributors because of the bonus of selling more products to a single, now larger retailer. While it sounds good for less expensive food, we all know that this potential lowering of food prices will negatively impact farmers.

Agricultural producers have been dealing with constant consolidation in input costs and markets for our products. Right now, three companies control 62 percent of the export market in grains. We know about the big four meat packers and their control of more than 80 percent of the market. We just had Beyer and Monsanto merge along with DuPont and Dow. Ask a farmer if these two mergers have decreased farmers' costs or made products more readily available. The answer you will hear is that consolidation in the ag inputs sector only takes away more profits from farmers.

My hope is that the Federal Trade Commission denies this merger. Five state Attorneys General plus the District of Columbia are currently suing to stop the corporate partnership. Senator Amy Klobuchar, Dem-MN, and Senator Mike Lee, Rep-Utah, the chairwoman and ranking member, respectively of the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Competition Policy, Antitrust, and Consumer Rights, said in a statement they have serious

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Biden 2024: The Democrats' most reckless option

Joe Biden 2024 is a bad idea whose time has come.

If Democrats had gotten the shellacking that seemed to be coming their way in the midterms, Biden might have been wounded enough for elements of the Democratic establishment to begin to try to shoulder him into retirement.

Instead, the Democratic overperformance has Biden looking revitalized. Gov. Gavin Newsom of California told the president on election night that he's not running against him (not that Biden was ever likely to face a direct primary challenge). Press coverage has emphasized Biden's vindication. The shot in the arm is understandable given what his party was able to pull off, yet it doesn't make Biden a day younger - in fact, he just turned 80 and every day of his presidency is an experiment in whether an unprecedentedly aged president can perform at the level demanded of the office.

Democrats consider Biden the safe choice in 2024, since he's the incumbent and surrounded by flawed alternatives, yet he is actually an enormous risk. Nominating him again would be extremely reckless, both for the party and for the country.

It may well be that Biden, even in his enfeebled state, is the best matchup against Donald Trump. He beat him once before, after all, and used him as an effective foil during the midterms. It is to Biden's advantage that it has proven difficult for anyone to work up a passionate hatred of him, rather than a low-intensity sense of pity or contempt. And he still has a relatively moderate affect and profile - there are limits to how "woke" an

80-something, silver-haired creature of the



RICH LOWRY, King Features Syndicate

Democratic establishment can appear, no matter how far left his policies are.

There's no guarantee, though, that Biden will get the former president as his opponent. If he doesn't, then he'll be denied the dynamic of one old guy whose record is terrible running against another old guy who frightens people.

If Trump can't secure the GOP nomination, everything changes. Ron DeSantis is 44. Ted Cruz is 51. Mike Pompeo is 58. Tim Scott is 47. Basically, any Republican nominee besides Trump would instantly be bequeathed a powerful past-vs.-future theme (age aside, Trump will unavoidably and perhaps explicitly be running a campaign of restoration).

There's another risk for Democrats, as well - namely that Biden will experience some age-related meltdown in public during a general-election campaign that will make his struggles undeniable even to well-wishers

determined to look the other way.

Aging is a progressive condition. Biden isn't getting any younger or more capable. The good news is that today, right now, he is as fit as he'll ever be to perform his duties; the bad news is that there are a lot of days between now and 2024 when he'll be less fit, whether by a tiny increment or by a lot.

The public is already unsettled. According to the exit polls, 58% of voters said Biden does not have the acuity to serve effectively as president.

If Democrats get their way, this is just the beginning. They propose to reelect a man who will be 82 on Inauguration Day, and 86 by the end of his second term.

The actuarial tables and the realities of aging being what they are, this creates considerable risk of putting the country through the trauma of having a president who is incapable of carrying out his entire term. If you think our politics are deranged now, just wait until we face a genuine, inevitably wrenching 25th Amendment crisis, or we have to deal with the legitimacy issues around an unelected president.

Why even consider going down this route? In part, because Biden made an identity politics choice for vice president, and not a good one. It is understandable that the prospect of Vice President Kamala Harris makes Democrats want to cling to their nurse for fear of something worse. But the country deserves a better idea.

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Great coffee, Allman Brothers tribute and a Corvette "oops"

I'm wondering how many of you readers of my column picked up on the goof up I made in last week's column. The sink hole, swallowing up those Corvettes occurred in 2014 not 1914.

Continuing on with our mystery trip. Our next stop was at the Ridley's Roast House for a little "coffee culture" during a live roasting demonstration. While there we sampled several different blends of coffee. On departure each of us were given a small bag of "Farmers Roast" coffee. While downtown we had a chance to shop for about 45 minutes. My watch had quit running so Kay & I paid a visit to the Morris Jewelry store, where I purchased a new battery. This store has been in the same family since 1881 - 141 years.

After shopping we returned to our motel to freshen up before heading back to the Corvette Museum for a delicious dinner at the Stingray Grill. We still were not finished for the day - our final stop was to attend the Allman Brothers Tribute Show in the beauti-

ful SKYPAC THEATRE. We all were ready to call it a day. Our last night at the Drury Inn & Suites, as tomorrow we start our trip back to Kansas.

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Headin' for Home, 8:30am

This morning we were on our way to

Owensboro, Kentucky. Angie had our daily devotion time, followed by everyone singing Happy Birthday to one of our friends. Angie even presented her with a special cupcake with only one candle on it. About 9 am it started raining very hard. We arrived in Owensboro at 9.45 am. Here we stopped and visited the Owensboro Regional Farmers Market for their annual Holiday Market. Only a few got off the bus, as was really storming. Very strong winds and pouring rain.

Next week I will bring our trip to an end.

Respectfully submitted by:
Henry Roeckers.
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Kansas Farm Bureau launches apprenticeship program

MANHATTAN—Kansas Farm Bureau (KFB) announced last week the creation of the Rural Kansas Apprenticeship Program (RKAP) developed with a grant from the Kansas Department of Commerce's Office of Registered Apprenticeship to help address workforce needs in rural communities across Kansas.

"We're excited about this partnership opportunity to offer a program where employers and employees grow alongside each other," says Joel Leftwich, KFB chief strategy officer. "RKAP will assist businesses to create individual programs to meet their needs while employees will receive on-the-job training, mentorship and increased earning potential."

RKAP is Kansas' first registered apprenticeship program focused solely on agriculture and rural communities

to provide industry-driven career pathways for farmers, ranchers and small businesses serving agricultural areas. Registered apprenticeships benefit employers by developing a skilled and loyal workforce. Meanwhile, apprentices enjoy a full-time job with a certified credential showing mastery of their craft.

"Apprenticeship programs allow us to expand the skillsets of our workforce to meet the needs of rural communities," says Shonda Atwater, director of Apprenticeship and Internship for the Kansas Department of Commerce. "Investing in talent - a key pillar in the Kansas Framework for Growth - is critical because it creates opportunities for our young people to thrive."

For more information on RKAP, contact Joel Leftwich at leftwichj@kfb.org

Dorothy Spencer wins most perfect games at Thursday Pitch

On the 10th of November 15 pitch players met to play 13-point pitch.

The results are as follows: Dorothy Spencer won high with eight games out of ten and she also won the most perfect hands with three; Pat Uhlenhake took low and Carla Ewert won the 50/50.

November 17th we had 13 players. These are the results of those 10 games. Jackie Waddle won high with 8 of 10 games; Shari Friesen took low; Carla Ewert won the 50/50 and Dorothy Spencer won the most perfect games with three.

On December 1st we had 15 players. The results are as fol-

lows: Martha Beachy won 9 of 10 games for high; Don Smith took low; Jackie Waddle won 50/50 and Jan Wards had the most perfect games with three. Come join us for a fun evening of 13-point pitch. We start at 6 o'clock at the Senior Center on Thursday nights.

Jan Wards reporting.



B2772 Prairie Oil and Gas Co. Pumping Station at Greeley, Kans.

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This photo postcard from the Prairie Oil & Gas Company pumping station west Greeley taken in the early 1900s shows the structure when it was in its functioning heyday. An explosion racked the facility

Oil & gas facility grew Greeley's early population

Settlement of the north-eastern part of Anderson County began as early as the spring of 1854 when the first white settlers located on the Pottawatomie where the town of Greeley is now situated. However, it was not until the spring of 1856 that the townsite of Greeley was selected.

The location was surveyed April 7, 1857, and the plat filed the following November 21st by Jacob Benjamin, August Bondi and Frederick Weimer, associates of the town company of Greeley. The townsite was pre-empted on October 14th by George Wilson, probate judge.

In the spring of 1857 the first post office in the county was established at Greeley, and named Walker, and a mail route was established from Osawatomie, via Walker and Hyatt, to Neosho City. Jacob Benjamin was appointed postmaster of the Walker office. Businesses and buildings were commenced energetically in the spring of 1857.

B. F. Smith opened the first store in Greeley in that year. For want of better building materials the first houses were constructed of logs, but early the next year sawmills were set up and good lumber could be obtained for more substantial buildings. The immigration was so heavy in 1857-8-9 that in the last year the population of Walker Township was as large as it was for some twenty years thereafter.

Greeley was a sleepy little village until late in 1879 when the coming of the St. Louis, Kansas and Arizona railroad, routed through the townsite, added the necessary stimulus, and the town began to prosper. By the fall of 1881 Greeley had 400 citizens and supported two newspapers. It was organized at that time into a city of the third class.

Greeley's most important industry was the plant of the Prairie Gas & Oil Company, located just west of the city limits of Greeley about 1900. At first it was used as a power plant to pump oil through the pipe lines to Kansas City. On February 1, 1915, the Prairie Pipe Line Company took possession and added to the capacity of this plant until it equaled two similar plants in Kansas, these three being of major importance in their class in the world.

On June 2, 1920, an explosion occurred in the plant which blew the roof of the building 100 feet into the air. Fire followed the explosion. The 50,000-barrel oil tanks were saved by a volunteer fire crew from Greeley. The loss was estimated at over \$1,000,000. This amount was immediately placed back into the plant by rebuilding.

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concerns about the proposed transaction. I know it seems like not much gets agreed upon in DC lately, but when both parties are thinking the same thing about a merger of this size, I would have to side with caution and due diligence moving forward.

- Bruce Shultz is a cattle rancher in Raynesford, MT., and vice-president of the National Farmers Organization.

Then in 1933-4 the plant was dismantled, the great boilers were sold for a mere fraction of their cost. The big buildings were torn down, and all that remains to remind Greeley of the greatness that was theirs is a small pump house and tool house. The need for the immense plant had vanished.

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UPROAR...

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trans people, and degrade the civil rights of members of the LGBTQ+ community. As such, the interests and activities of ADF are antithetical to the inclusion and belonging we strive to achieve on our campus."

Stegall took issue with those statements in his letter.

"Following this meeting, but before the lunch event occurred, I and the entire KU Law community received an email from the Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging Committee." Stegall wrote. "The email described the speaker — by his association with ADF — as a practitioner of 'hate speech.' The email went on to acknowledge, grudgingly, that as a public university, KU Law was bound by 'the tenets of the First Amendment' and would permit the event to move forward. 'The email, by implication, accused the student leaders of the KU Law Federalist Society of facilitating hate speech. Worse, the email made it very clear that the principles of free and open dialogue are only acquiesced to as a legal obligation at KU

Law—they are not celebrated, cherished, or valued."

Stegall also noted that, while the DEIB committee was savaging a campus conservative group, it made no such complaint against a similar event by the Kansas Bar Association a few days later.

"I wonder if the Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging Committee is aware that the Kansas Bar Association, only a few days after the KU Law Federalist Society lunch, sponsored and hosted an ADF lawyer at a Continuing Legal Education event for all Kansas lawyers (approved by the Kansas Supreme Court as all CLE's are)?" Stegall wrote. "The event was organized by the KBA Religion Law Section, chaired by Bob Howard, a deeply respected lawyer in the Kansas legal community. And of note, KU Law's J.B. Smith Distinguished Professor of Constitutional Law Richard Levy was also part of the program."

Stegall then asked if KU law was prepared to accuse the KBA, prominent Kansas attorneys, and the Kansas Supreme

Court of hate speech.

"Somehow, I doubt it. And this double standard speaks volumes about what is really going on."

Stegall noted his concern over the incident had nothing to do with the speaker, for whom he works, or the ADF in general, and that it would be "absurd" to accuse the participants of espousing identical views as those held by ADF.

"Even so, the KBA did invite an ADF lawyer to present a CLE to Kansas lawyers, and Professor Levy did agree to sit on a panel with that lawyer to discuss religious liberty issues," Stegall wrote. "Why? Part of the answer is probably that neither the KBA nor Richard Levy are especially afraid of or vulnerable to bullying by the KU Law DEI movement."

Stegall went on to note there is fair criticism against the KU Law FedSoc chapter, which apparently did not follow the proper procedures before scheduling the event, but added "Certainly nothing that transpired suggests that KU Law would have welcomed

a discussion or debate with this speaker if the chapter had only followed proper procedure."

Stegall said that it is clear from this incident that law students at KU are not being well-served as they enter the profession.

"I cannot sit by and allow these events to pass without comment," he wrote. "There are many in our legal communities who will shake their heads disapprovingly when things like this happen, but who may not be in positions of sufficient authority or security to speak up ... and I recognize I am in a position to do so in circumstances when others cannot."

"In my view, KU Law owes its students (all of them, not just those in the Federalist Society chapter) and the future of the rule of law in Kansas better. And it is possible to course correct. But until that time, I can't continue to provide tacit support to the current direction through my teaching affiliation with KU Law."

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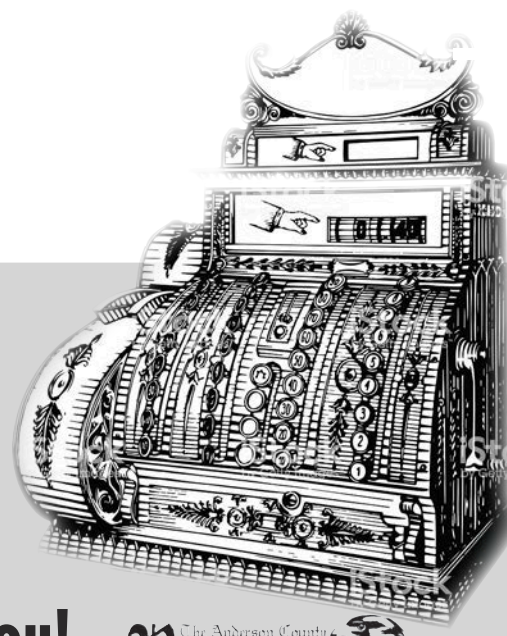
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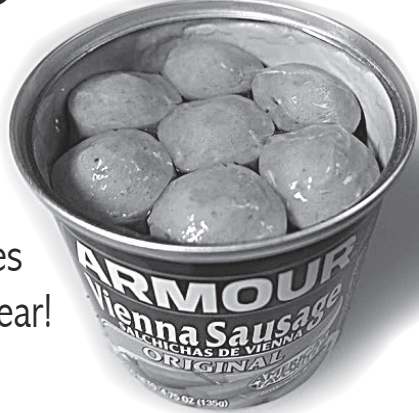
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 - 16 Gambling city
 - 17 Coq au —
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 - 20 Watched surreptitiously
 - 23 Pot covers
 - 24 Any time now
 - 25 Stuffed Italian pasta
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 - 29 Doctrine
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(First published in The Anderson County Review, Tuesday, December 6, 2022)
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BY DAVID BILDERBACK

like traffic fines. So there is some restraint. At other times we are involved with personal choices, such as living or starting a relationship outside of God's decrees or a business dealing that is not quite right, these are times when we face a decision.

The power to choose is not something that should be considered lightly, because what comes along with the power to

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Aubrey Ellington with the Seekers Not Slackers 4-H Club in Colony recently had one of her Kansas State Fair photographs selected for special recognition and display in Kansas State University offices for the 2022-23 school year. Ellington is shown above presenting the photo to Richard Linton, President of KSU.

Probe underway in Chanute man's death

IOLA - The Kansas Bureau of Investigation, the Allen County Sheriff's Office, and the Neosho County Sheriff's Office are investigating a homicide after a man was found dead Saturday evening in Chanute, Kansas, according to a statement from the KBI.

At around 4:50 p.m., Casey M. Dye, 43, of Petrolia, Kansas, arrived at the Allen County Sheriff's Office and provided a statement to sheriff's deputies. KBI teams responded with assistance in an investigation later that Saturday.

Shortly after, law enforcement officers located a deceased man in a vehicle inside an automotive glass shop at 7545 Kansas Highway 39, in Chanute. The man, who was identified as Ryan M. Holcomb, 45, from Chanute, had suffered fatal gunshot wounds. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

Dye was arrested for first-degree murder and was booked into the Allen County Jail. Formal charges are pending, and additional charges are expected.

Investigators allege Dye killed Holcomb Saturday morning at a rural property in Allen County, and then moved his body to the business in Chanute where he was discovered.

All suspects are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

The investigation is ongoing.

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Lady Bulldogs notch road win to start season

BY KEVIN GAINES THE ANDERSON COUNTY REVIEW

IOLA - It was a solid opening night for the Anderson County girls as they never trailed in a 52-32 win over Iola on the road Friday night.

Anderson County jumped out to a 17-9 lead after the first quarter and stretched their advantage to 26-14 at intermission, then opened up a commanding 43-21 lead heading into the final 8 minutes. Iola held a slight 11 to 9 advantage in the final quarter to account for the final score.

Anderson County forced 24 turnovers, including 16 steals

on the night.

Leading all scorers on the night was Kylie Disbrow with 20 points on 9 of 19 shooting. Disbrow added 11 rebounds, 3 blocks and 2 steals to lead the way.

Addie Fudge had 13 points on 6 of 10 shooting with 4 rebounds, 4 assists and 3 steals.

Kalina Edgcomb recorded 8 points, 6 rebounds, 4 assists and 3 steals to go along with 8 points by Caitlyn Foltz, who also recorded 7 rebounds, 4 assists and a pair of steals.

Lexi Overstreet was the only other Bulldog to score, finish-

ing the night with 3 points.

Rilyn Sommer had a rough shooting night, but did chip in with 7 rebounds, 2 steals and an assist.

This week will be a great early barometer for the Lady Bulldogs as head coach Amy Disbrow expects some of the toughest competition of the season.

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