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Are you going to say No to Frank Martin?

Martin Promotion To Benefit Coaches vs. Cancer Week

In an effort to bring awareness to cancer research, the Kansas State Athletics Department will be selling faces of head men's basketball Frank Martin for \$1 this week with the proceeds benefiting the American Cancer Society.

The \$1 faces can be purchased in a variety of locations throughout Manhattan this week, including the K-State Athletics Ticket Office and Fan Experience Office as well as in the K-State Student Union from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Fans may also purchase the faces tonight at the K-State/Baylor Watch Party inside the Wareham Theater on Poyntz Avenue as well as on Saturday during the College Gameday Show and prior to Saturday's game on the Bramlage Coliseum concourse. Supplies are limited, so fans are encouraged to purchase early.

The effort kicks off Coaches vs. Cancer Suits and Sneakers awareness weekend, which runs from Friday, Jan. 29 through Sunday, Jan. 31. Coach Martin

and his staff will join college basketball coaches from across the country in wearing sneakers with their sideline attire to raise cancer awareness. The event is done in collaboration with the American Cancer Society and the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC).

For more information on the \$1 Frank Martin faces, please contact Drew Claassen in the K-State Fan Experience and Sales Office at (785) 532.6650 or via email at drewc@ksu.edu.

Mercy To Host Heart Disease Gala

The Mercy Community Health Foundation and the Mercy Regional Health Center Auxiliary are hosting the sixth annual A Dress the Heart Gala on Saturday, February 6, 2010, at the Holiday Inn at the Campus. The gala was established to help raise money for the community's cardiac initiative, which helps to expand local cardiac services and makes heart care more accessible in Manhattan and surrounding areas. The formal event will feature a silent auction, live music by The Exceptions featuring Betti O., dancing and refreshments. The silent auction and a champagne reception will begin at 6:30 p.m. The gala will start at 7:30 p.m.

"This is our 6th year celebrating the A Dress the Heart Gala here at Mercy Regional and we are so pleased with the community support we have had in bringing together our goal of aware-

ness and raising funds for the benefit of cardiac services in Manhattan," said Margie Michal, Mercy Executive Director. "There is no better way than through the gala event to continue to bring about awareness and the opportunity to celebrate those successes."

Last year's event raised over \$84,000 to benefit local cardiac services at Mercy Regional Health Center. Over the past few years, personal gifts, gifts in kind, corporate gifts and special events have raised nearly \$895,000 to expand and enhance local cardiology services. The funding has been used for the development of the state-of-the-art catheterization lab, the purchase of a 64-slice CT scanner to provide advanced images of the heart, the recruitment of two interventional cardiologists – Dr. Priyantha Ranaweera and Dr. William

Freund – and the creation of The Heart Institute at Mercy Regional.

Mercy Regional is still committed to building one of the best heart programs in the state to care for those who call this region of the Flint Hills "home." Support of this year's gala will allow the Heart Institute to focus on strengthening the confidence the community and physicians have in the cardiology program; help to enhance an eight county cardiology outreach program; and help offer services to those communities that do not have the availability of acute cardiac services.

For tickets to the 2010 A Dress the Heart Gala, or to make a donation, call the Mercy Foundation at (785) 587-5462. To preview the night's events and auction items, visit www.mercyregional.org.

Flint Hills Regional Council Seats Board

The first meeting of the Board of Directors of the Flint Hills Regional Council, Inc. convened at 9am on January 13, 2010 at the C.L. Hoover Opera House in Junction City, Kansas. Present at the meeting were representatives from 11 of the 12 member municipalities as well as community members representing the economic development, chamber of commerce and Fort Riley communities. Also in attendance were community members interested in the process and members of the media.

The Board will meet monthly on the third Friday of the month at 9am at a rotating venue. The next meeting will be February 19, 2010 in Building 580 on Fort Riley. All Board meetings are open to the public.

During the meeting the Executive Committee of the Board was selected: Sharon Brown – Mayor of Clay Center will be the President; Terry Heldstab – Mayor of Junction City, Vice President; Stan Hartwich – Commissioner from Pottawatomie County, Secretary; Karen McCulloh – Commissioner from Riley County, Treasurer; and Ben Bennett – Commissioner from Geary County, At-large Representative. Other members present included Jim Sherow – Commissioner from the City of Manhattan, David Shover – Councilperson from the City of Riley, Donna Baer – Councilperson from the City of Randolph, Vic Enns – Commissioner from the City of Wamego, Vern Hay – Commissioner from Morris County and Debi Schwerdtfeger – Councilperson from the City of Council Grove.

These are the 2010 representatives, Board and Executive Committee members.

As a new organization, the Flint Hills Regional Council is building on the region's long history of cooperation to create a more formalized process through which issues of regional concern can be discussed and addressed.

The Council will not replace the individual relationships between or among the municipalities or between the municipalities and Fort Riley. It will be a tool available to increase the flow of information in the region while working toward mutually agreed upon goals. The primary tasks of the organization will be decided in the next few months as the Council staff is put in place.

Funding for the first few years of the Flint Hills Regional Council will be through the Office of Economic Adjustment at the Department of Defense. This funding stems from the need to coordinate a number of activities between Fort Riley and the surrounding region. One of the functions of the Council will be to serve as a primary community contact for Fort Riley and as an information clearinghouse for the region.

The Flint Hills Regional Council, Inc. provides regional municipalities the tools to work toward regional solutions to common issues. The Regional Council is a non-profit 501c(3) corporation whose membership is made up of local governments and whose Board is formed by elected officials from member municipalities and non-voting representatives from Fort Riley, Kansas State University and the Governor's Military Council.

AFP-Kansas New Tax Alert Program

The free-market grassroots group Americans for Prosperity-Kansas today announced a new way to communicate with its members on tax policy proposals through the Kansas Tax Alert program.

Through the site, Kansas residents will be able to sign up to be notified when a bill is introduced that will result in a tax increase.

AFP-Kansas state director Derrick Sontag said the Kansas Tax Alert program is designed to give Kansans the tools they need to follow what happens under the dome in Topeka.

"Advances in technology and strides in government transparen-

cy have made it easier to track what the Legislature is doing every day, but it is difficult for hard-working taxpayers to keep up with what is being proposed in Topeka," he said. "AFP's Kansas Tax Alerts will provide notifications when a legislator's proposal will increase taxes, giving taxpayers better tools to compete with the taxpayer-funded lobbyists and power brokers who typically dominate the attention of lawmakers."

Aside from the notifications, those who sign up for the tax alerts will have an opportunity to contact their legislator through the online system.

Obituaries

Dorcas L. Flowers

Dorcas L. Flowers, 88, Manhattan, KS passed away Friday, January 22, 2010 in the Meadowlark Hills Retirement Community/Collins Landing, Manhattan.

She was born December 5, 1921 in Augustaville, PA, the daughter of Paul Dean Ford and Ollie Louise Truesdell Ford. Her parents were missionaries and she grew up in Jamaica, the Bahama Islands and Pennsylvania. She was home-schooled in Jamaica and later graduated from Messiah High School in Grantham, PA. In 1948, she received her B.A. in Commerce from Greenville College, Greenville, IL.

She was united in marriage to Henry M. Flowers on June 7, 1949 in Erie, PA. He preceded her in death on June 10, 1974.

Accompanying her husband, Mrs. Flowers had lived in Illinois, Louisiana, Kentucky, Indiana, Colorado, and several communities

in Kansas. She was a loving mother, housewife, writer, teacher, Hospice volunteer and loving friend.

She was a member of the Free Methodist Church in McPherson, Wichita and Lawrence, KS, the First United Methodist in Winfield, KS and while living in Manhattan attended the First Baptist Church.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Flowers was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Reuhl Ford and Veril Ford; and two sisters, Clovena Colon and Esther Winsinger.

Survivors include a daughter, Mary Hayden, Marion, IN; four sons, Paul Flowers, and his wife, Bev, Wasilla, AK, Ralph Flowers, and his wife, Terry Bolan, Olsburg, KS, Stephen Flowers, and his companion, Rebeca Delgadillo, Santa Clara, CA and Kent Flowers, and his wife, Carol, Divide, CO; a brother, Seth Ford, North Palm Beach, FL; grandchildren Eddie, Mariah, John and Christina; great grandchildren Hailey and Brandon; numerous nephews and

nieces, and other grandchildren, great grandchildren, great great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 10:00 a.m., Monday, January 25, 2010 in the First Baptist Church, Manhattan with the Rev. Gib Clark officiating.

The family of Mrs. Flowers will receive friends from 4 until 5:30 p.m., Sunday, January 24, 2010 in the Irvin-Parkview Funeral Home, Manhattan.

Graveside services will be at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 27, 2010 in the Jena Cemetery, Jena, LA. The family will receive friends for an hour preceding the graveside at the Kinner & Stevens Funeral Home, Jena.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Meadowlark Hills Good Samaritan Fund and left in care of the Irvin-Parkview Funeral Home, 1317 Poyntz Ave., Manhattan, KS 66502. Online condolences can be sent to www.irvinparkview.com.

Roberta "Bert" Magnet

Roberta "Bert" Magnett, 80 formerly of Manhattan, KS passed away Saturday, January 23, 2010 at the Westy Community Care Home, Westmoreland, KS, where she had been a resident for the past 8 years.

She was born on March 21, 1929 at Wheaton, KS, the daughter of Albert L. and Delia A. Linderman Trudo. She grew up in Wamego and was a 1947 graduate of Wamego Rural High School.

She was united in marriage to Clinton W. "Slick" Magnett on May 27, 1949 at Wamego. He preceded

her in death on October 25, 2002.

The Magnett's farmed in the Wamego area for many years before moving to Manhattan in 1978. Roberta enjoyed gardening, auctions, garage sales, and collecting toys and banks.

Mrs. Magnet was a former member of the St. Thomas More Catholic Church, Manhattan.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Magnett was preceded in death by her parents; and a brother, John Trudo.

Survivors include a brother, Frank Trudo, and his wife, Tina, Wamego; and numerous cousins, nephews and

nieces.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m., Friday, January 29, 2010 in the Irvin-Parkview Funeral Home, Manhattan with the Rev. Loren Werth officiating. Burial will follow in the Sunrise Cemetery, Manhattan. Friends and family are invited to come by the funeral home at any time.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Westy Community Care Home and left in care of the funeral home. Online condolences can be sent to www.irvinparkview.com.

Walter "Walt" Bergsten

Walter "Walt" Bergsten, 89, Manhattan, KS passed away Friday, January 22, 2010 in the Mercy Regional Health Center, Manhattan.

He was born December 23, 1920 at Randolph, KS, the son of Roy Bergsten and Anna Peterson Bergsten. He grew up on the family farm, east of Randolph in Blue Valley

Township (Pottawatomie County), and attended the local schools. He was a graduate of the Randolph High School.

He was united in marriage to Geneva Johnson on October 29, 1944 at Randolph. She preceded him in death in September 1991.

Mr. Bergsten owned and operated the Valley Falls Lumber Yard in Valley Falls, KS for over 50 years.

He retired in 1995 and had been a Manhattan resident since October 2009.

He was a member of the Valley Falls United Methodist Church and an active member of the Lions and Rotary Clubs, all of Valley Falls. He was an avid gardener, woodworker and loved his cats and antiques.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Bergsten was preceded in death by an infant son, Eric Carl Bergsten; and his parents.

Survivors include a daughter, Ann Nemechek, Manhattan; a grandson, Delvon Nemechek, and his wife, Meghan, Aspen, CO; and numerous cousins and other relatives.

Funeral services will be at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 26, 2010 in the Irvin-Parkview Funeral Home, Manhattan with the Rev. Kevin Larson officiating. Burial will follow in the Randolph Fancy Creek Cemetery, Randolph, KS.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Alzheimer's Association; the T. Russell Reitz Animal Shelter; or the Jefferson County District #11 EMS and left in care of the funeral home. Online condolences can be sent to www.irvinparkview.com.

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Kansas Profile - Now That's Rural: Doug Thompson - Auto Racing Museum

By Ron Wilson, director of the Huck Boyd National Institute for Rural Development at Kansas State University.

Let's go see the first-ever trophy awarded by NASCAR. One might expect to find that in Daytona, Talladega, or Charlotte, North Carolina. But today we'll find this historic hardware in its permanent home, which is located in rural Kansas.

Doug Thompson is the founder of the Kansas Auto Racing Museum in Chapman, Kan. This museum is a product of his lifelong interest in auto racing.

Doug was born in Abilene, graduated from Chapman High and then Washburn Law School. An attorney by trade, he is currently city attorney for Chapman, municipal judge in Abilene, Dickinson County counselor, and administrative hearing officer for the Eighth judicial district.

Doug has always been fascinated by auto racing. "I've been involved in racing for 50 years," he said, adding of he and his brother, "Before we were licensed drivers, we were racing cars around the farm."

When he got older, he embarked on a racing career of his own in addition to his legal work. He started racing on dirt tracks, then graduated to asphalt and ultimately to NASCAR.

Doug's faith is very important to him also. "I wanted to use the skills, training and opportunities



Ron Wilson

stock car racing had given me to glorify the Lord's name," he said. So he and his wife, Connie created the Covenant Racing Team which has had lots of success. Doug said, "The good Lord has blessed us with 353 feature wins, nine track championships, three Kansas State titles, two Nationals and lots of good friends." Along the way, he accumulated lots of racing memorabilia and wanted a facility to display it.

Doug developed the Kansas Auto Racing Museum in Chapman. The museum is just a half-mile south of Interstate 70 at exit 286.

The museum displays many artifacts depicting the rich heritage of auto racing in Kansas. For example, the museum is home to the very first NASCAR trophy. It was won on June 19, 1949 by a driver named Jim Roper who came from rural Kansas. Jim was from the

town of Halstead, Kansas, population 1,880 people. Now, that's rural.

The museum is also home to the first trophy from the NHRA, or National Hot Rod Association. The history of this association also has a remarkable connection to our state. The very first NHRA-sanctioned race was won by Paul Flynn of Abilene. It was held back in 1955 in Great Bend, Kan. At that time Great Bend had a population of 5,000 people. When 5,000 people showed up for the race - equivalent to the entire population of the town -- the NHRA founders realized there was great interest in drag racing in the heartland.

The Kansas Auto Racing Museum reflects this interest in auto racing. The museum includes restored race cars from seven different eras, video play stations, rare film footage, a theater with big screen to view racing highlights, and all kinds of memorabilia. The museum is located in a 21-acre complex featuring a scenic nature trail walk.

Doug continues to expand enterprises related to auto racing. He created Covenant Films, an independent Christian movie company, which produced a full-length movie called Can We Talk? which includes footage in and around the museum. That movie was completed in May 2008. In June 2008, the community of Chapman was devastated by a tornado. Interestingly, the tornado hit the property next door but missed the auto racing museum. Doug and his church played a key role in encouraging the Extreme Makeover television series to come to Chapman and rebuild a home and community center.

Doug said, "The good Lord has blessed us. It has been one miracle after another." For more information, go to www.kansasautoracing-museum.org.

It's time to leave this museum where we found the first-ever NASCAR trophy. We commend Doug Thompson and all those involved with the museum for making a difference by capturing and sharing this heritage. At this museum, one can find these historic trophies and much more before making it to the checkered flag.

And there's more. Also located on the museum grounds is a remarkable engine products business. We'll learn about that next week.

Birdhouse Acoustic Music Series Presents Caleb Hawley & Reed

The Manhattan Arts Center's BirdHouse acoustic music series is pleased to welcome Caleb Hawley and Reed Waddle on Friday, February 5 at 8pm. The concert is generously sponsored by Coldwell Banker Realty.

"Hawley is one of the good guys in the music industry right now" say the reviewers: "it's only a matter of time before he is a household name." His song "Other Side of It All" was selected as one of 12 songs (out of over 5,000) to be performed in the 2009 New York Songwriter's Circle Songwriting Contest. Caleb's music is genuine, personal and fun.

www.calebhawley.com

Waddle is a hard working touring musician/songwriter. In the past he has opened concerts for Hall and Oates, the Wailers and Katie Herzig. He has performed with John Oates, Tim Reynolds, Stephen Kellogg and many other artists in venues around the country. He has an incredibly smooth voice and his songs are bound to strike a chord with his audience. www.reedwaddle.com

Tickets for the performance can be purchased at the Manhattan Arts Center, The Dusty Bookshelf in Aggieville, Claflin Books & Copies, at the door, by

phone at (785) 537-4420 or online at www.manhattanarts.org. Tickets are \$16 for adults, \$14 for military, and \$13 for students. The Manhattan Arts Center box office is open Monday through Friday from 10 am to 5 pm and is located at 1520 Poyntz Ave.

For more information on this and other performances at the Manhattan Arts Center, visit us on the web at www.manhattanarts.org. The Manhattan Arts Center is funded in part by the Kansas Arts Commission, a state agency, and the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency which believes that great nation deserves great art. Additional funding comes from the City of Manhattan and MAC members and friends.

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**Schedule/Results
Season**

Date	Opponent	Opp Rank	Location	Time (CST)	Results	Media
Sun, Nov 08	Pittsburg State (Exh.)	-	Manhattan	3 p.m.	89 - 53 (W)	
Fri, Nov 13	Loyola Chicago	-	Manhattan	7 p.m.	92 - 54 (W)	
Sun, Nov 15	Western Illinois	-	Manhattan	3 p.m.	82 - 50 (W)	
O'Reilly Auto Parts Puerto Rico Tipoff						
Thu, Nov 19	Boston University	-	at San Juan, Puerto Rico	6:30 p.m.	80 - 70 (W)	
Fri, Nov 20	Ole Miss	-	at San Juan, Puerto Rico	7:30 p.m.	74 - 86 (L)	
Sun, Nov 22	Dayton 18/21	-	at San Juan, Puerto Rico	4:30 p.m.	83 - 75 (W)	
K-State Holiday Classic						
Sat, Nov 28	IUPUI	-	Kansas City, Mo. (Sprint Center)	3 p.m.	70 - 57 (W)	
Tue, Dec 01	Fort Hays State	-	Manhattan	7 p.m.	83 - 76 (W)	
Big 12 / Pac-10 Hardwood Series						
Sat, Dec 05	Washington State	-	Manhattan	8 p.m.	86 - 69 (W)	
Tue, Dec 08	Xavier	-	Manhattan	8 p.m.	71 - 56 (W)	
Sat, Dec 12	UNLV	-	at Las Vegas, Nev. (Orleans Arena)	6 p.m.	95 - 80 (W)	
Coors Classic						
Sat, Dec 19	Alabama	-	at Mobile, Ala. (Mitchell Center)	8 p.m.	87 - 74 (W)	
Mon, Dec 21	Arkansas-Pine Bluff	-	Manhattan	7 p.m.	90 - 76 (W)	
Tue, Dec 29	Cleveland State	-	Manhattan	7 p.m.	85 - 56 (W)	
Sun, Jan 03	South Dakota	-	Manhattan	12 p.m.	91 - 69 (W)	
Sat, Jan 09	Missouri *	-	at Columbia, Mo.	1 p.m.	68 - 74 (L)	
Tue, Jan 12	Texas A&M *	-	Manhattan	6 p.m.	88 - 64 (W)	
Sat, Jan 16	Colorado *	-	at Boulder, Colo.	3 p.m.	87 - 81 (W)	
Mon, Jan 18	Texas *	-	Manhattan	8 p.m.	81 - 62 (W)	
Sat, Jan 23	Oklahoma State *	-	Manhattan	3 p.m.	69 - 73 (L)	
Tue, Jan 26	Baylor *	-	at Waco, Texas	7 p.m.	76 - 74 (W)	
Sat, Jan 30	Kansas *	-	Manhattan	6 p.m.	ESPN	
Tue, Feb 02	Nebraska *	-	at Lincoln, Neb.	7 p.m.	Big 12 Network	
Sat, Feb 06	Iowa State *	-	at Ames, Iowa	1 p.m.	ESPN2	
Sat, Feb 13	Colorado *	-	Manhattan	5 p.m.	Big 12 Network	
Wed, Feb 17	Nebraska *	-	Manhattan	6 p.m.	FOX Sports Kansas City	
Sat, Feb 20	Oklahoma *	-	at Norman, Okla.	5 p.m.	ESPNU	
Tue, Feb 23	Texas Tech *	-	at Lubbock, Texas	7 p.m.	Big 12 Network	
Sat, Feb 27	Missouri *	-	Manhattan	7 p.m.	ESPNU	
Wed, Mar 03	Kansas *	-	at Lawrence, Kan.	7 p.m.	Big 12 Network	
Sat, Mar 06	Iowa State *	-	Manhattan	5 p.m.	Big 12 Network	
Phillips 66 Big 12 Championship						
Wed, Mar 10	TBA	-	at Kansas City, Mo. (Sprint Center)	TBA		

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Pullen Lead Cats Win Over Baylor

WACO, Texas - Jacob Pullen's two clutch free throws with 00:08 left in the game broke the 14th tie of the night and proved to be the difference, lifting No. 11 Kansas State to a thrilling 76-74 win at No. 24 Baylor Tuesday night at the Ferrell Center.

With the win, Kansas State improved to 17-3 overall and 4-2 in Big 12 Conference play, while Baylor dropped to 15-4 overall and 2-3 in league play.

Pullen broke out for a game-high 25 points, including six three-pointers, while Denis Clemente chipped in 17 and Rodney McGruder 10. K-State connected on 11-of-21 three pointers on the night and out-rebounded the home-standing Bears, 39-36.

In a game that saw 11 ties to go along with the 14 lead changes, K-State built a 44-38 lead early in the second half behind a three from Clemente and a Dominique Sutton jumper. But the Bears answered with six straight to tie the score at 44, and neither team would generate a lead larger than three points for a majority of the second half.

McGruder's three with six minutes left gave K-State a 63-59 lead until the Bears again charged back to tie the game at 66 following two Dunn free throws. Following a K-State timeout, Pullen drained his fourth three of the night to give the Cats the lead back at 69-66. Clinging to a 71-70 lead, Pullen then nailed a three from the top of the key to up the

Wildcat lead to 74-70 before Tweety Carter's layup closed the margin to 74-72. Dunn's jumper tied the game at 74 with 00:19 left setting up Pullen's heroics.

Early in the first half, Pullen hit a three as the Wildcats took a 7-6 lead at the first media timeout. A Nick Russell runner and a Jamar Samuels jumper in the lane broke a 9-9 tie as the Wildcats grabbed a 13-9 advantage at the 11:54 mark.

Pullen nailed two more threes to give K-State a 19-14 lead but Baylor went on a 6-0 run to take a 20-19 advantage. The two teams traded leads for a majority of the first half and K-State took a 39-36 lead into the break thanks to three-point field goals by McGruder and Clemente.

K-State forced Baylor into six turnovers in the first 10 minutes of the opening half, while Pullen seemed to get back on track with 11 first-half points. The Wildcats shot 53.1 percent from the field in the opening half, including connecting on 5-of-11 from three-point range.

K-State returns home Saturday

as it hosts ESPN's College GameDay and No. 2 Kansas on Saturday. Doors open at 8 a.m. on Saturday for the College GameDay broadcast, while the show will air live on ESPN from 10-11 a.m. CT. Tip-off between the Wildcats and Jayhawks is set for 6 p.m.



(Photos by Ben Brake)

Jacob Pullen (0) hit two clutch free throws against Baylor.



Denis Clemente (21) added 17 points.

KSU-KU On ESPN Game Day

As excitement builds for ESPN's College GameDay's appearance in Manhattan, the K-State Athletics Department has announced details to help Wildcat fans set a new attendance record for the show.

"Our fans have been a big part of our success this basketball season and we are looking forward to hosting ESPN and College GameDay on January 30," said head coach Frank Martin. "We are excited to show the rest of the country the passion and enthusiasm of Wildcat Nation."

The east parking lot of Bramlage Coliseum will open at 6 a.m. on January 30 and all parking for the event will be free. The Northeast and

Southeast entrances to the arena will open at 8 a.m. All seating is general admission.

Fans will be allowed to bring posters and hand-held signs into the arena but they will be checked for appropriateness.

All fans are encouraged to arrive to the arena early for promotional giveaways including rollbanners and College GameDay t-shirts. One lucky student will also be chosen by ESPN and State Farm for a chance to win \$17,500 cash by making a half-court shot, while two tickets to the 6 p.m. clash between K-State and KU will also be given away at the event.

Cats Fight No. 6 Nebraska

LINCOLN, Neb. - Despite cutting a 22-point first-half deficit down to just four before halftime, Kansas State was unable to break through against No. 6 Nebraska as the Cornhuskers battled their way to a 71-56 win Saturday before a record crowd of 13,303 at the Devaney Center.

With the loss, Kansas State dropped to 10-9 overall and 2-3 in Big 12 play, while Nebraska remained unblemished at 17-0 overall and 4-0 in league play.

Brittany Chambers led the Wildcats with 18 points and eight rebounds, while Ashley Sweat poured in 13 points. Jalana Childs also had nine points and six rebounds for K-State. Kelsey Griffin led a group of four Huskers in double figures with 22 points and 12 rebounds, while Yvonne Turner also had 20 points.

Down 35-13 with 5:51 left

before halftime, K-State was able to trim a 22-point first-half Nebraska lead down to four at 38-34 following a Kari Kincaid layup. But, Yvonne Turner's three-pointer at the buzzer shifted the momentum back to the Huskers as they took a 41-34 lead into the half. The Wildcats used a 21-6 run late in the half to cut into the lead, highlighted by four 3-point field goals over the final six minutes.

Using the momentum of Turner's buzzer-beating fifth three-pointer of the first half, Nebraska used an 11-4 run to start the second half to build a 52-41 lead with 14:51 to play in the game. K-State would only get within 10 points once more in the contest at 54-44 as the Huskers took control of the contest.

K-State shot 41.7 percent from the field in the game, including a .542 mark in the first half, while

Nebraska hit on 47.3 percent of its field goals. The rebounding margin slightly favored the Huskers Saturday as they recorded 28 to K-State's 23.

Early in the contest, Nebraska used a 17-4 run following the first media timeout to break open a tie game and hold a 22-9 lead with 10:53 in the half. The margin grew to as many as 22 until the Wildcats staged their ferocious comeback to make it a game at 38-34.

Following a break in the schedule, Kansas State will return to Manhattan to host Iowa State on Sunday, Jan. 31 at 2 p.m. For ticket information, please visit www.kstatesports.com or contact the K-State athletics ticket office at (800) 221-CATS.

Poor Shooting Plagues K-State 63-57

Despite shooting a season-low 28.3-percent from the field, Kansas State found a way to take Colorado down to the wire, but the Buffaloes were able to hold on for a 63-57 victory in front of 4,076 fans Wednesday evening at Bramlage Coliseum.

Kansas State (10-8, 2-2 Big 12) made just 15 of its 53 shots from the field in the contest, including a 4-of-18 (22.2-percent) mark from 3-point range, also a season low. The Wildcats' 28.3 shooting percentage was the lowest since a 27.3-percent performance against Iowa State in 2007.

In contrast, Colorado shot over 45-percent for the seventh time this season and had four players in double figures. The Buffaloes were led by

Brittany Spears, who had 15 points and nine rebounds, narrowly missing her sixth double-double of the season. Chucky Jeffery and Bianca Smith each added 13, while Alyssa Fressle ended the night with 11.

Despite only hitting a season-low 15 field goals, the Cats were able to stay in the game by converting 23 free throws, one short of their season best. Brittany Chambers, Ashley Sweat and Taelor Karr all made five free throws and ended the contest in double figures.

The game was scoreless for the first 3:15, while Kansas State didn't make a basket until the 15:44 mark of the first half. The two teams battled for the majority of the first half, which featured five ties and six lead

changes. But with the game knotted at 23, the Buffaloes went on a 7-3 run to end the frame and go into the locker room with a five-point advantage at 30-25.

Kansas State was fortunate, however, to only be down five at the break. In the first half, the Wildcats could only hit six of its 28 shots from the floor (21.4 percent), their lowest since a 20.7-percent mark in the first half of the season opener against Indiana State. But thanks to 12 made three throws, the disadvantage was minimal.

The K-State shooting woes continued after the break as it missed its first seven shots of the period and didn't score until a Chambers 3-pointer with 15:00 left.

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Date	Opponent	Location	Time (CST)	Results	Media
Tue, Nov 03	Fort Hays State (Ex)	Manhattan, Kan.	7 p.m.	81 - 68 (W)	
Mon, Nov 09	Pittsburg State (Ex)	Manhattan, Kan.	7 p.m.	89 - 61 (W)	
Sat, Nov 14	Indiana State	Manhattan, Kan.	5 p.m.	73 - 77 (L)	
Mon, Nov 16	Arkansas State	Manhattan, Kan.	7 p.m.	79 - 80 (L) OT	
Fri, Nov 20	Washington State	Manhattan, Kan.	7 p.m.	70 - 63 (W)	
Mon, Nov 23	Creighton	at Omaha, Neb.	7:05 p.m.	54 - 63 (L)	
Fri, Nov 27	BYU	at Provo, Utah	4:30 p.m. (CT)	65 - 62 (W)	
Wed, Dec 02	Arkansas	at Fayetteville, Ark.	7 p.m.	58 - 60 (L)	
Commerce Bank Wildcat Classic					
Fri, Dec 04	Missouri State vs. UTEP	at Manhattan, Kan.	4 p.m.		
Fri, Dec 04	Grambling State	Manhattan, Kan.	6 p.m.	64-60 (W)	
Sat, Dec 05	Consolation Game	at Manhattan, Kan.	1 p.m.		
Sat, Dec 05	Championship Game	at Manhattan, Kan.	3 p.m.	87-62 (W)	
Sun, Dec 13	Northwestern	Manhattan, Kan.	2 p.m.	50-53 (L)	
Duel in the Desert					
Sat, Dec 19	Hawaii	at Las Vegas, Nev.	9:30 p.m. (CT)	61-71 (L)	
Sun, Dec 20	VCU	at Las Vegas, Nev.	4:30 p.m./9:30 p.m.	73-67 (W)	
Mon, Dec 21	TBA	at Las Vegas, Nev.	TBA	59-55 (W)	
Tue, Dec 29	UC Davis	at Davis, Calif.	9 p.m. (CT)	73-59 (W)	
Sat, Jan 02	Yale	Manhattan, Kan.	2 p.m.	78-59 (W)	
Sat, Jan 09	Kansas *	Manhattan, Kan.	11 a.m.	59 - 35 (W)	
Wed, Jan 13	Missouri *	at Columbia, Mo.	6 p.m.	65 - 50 (W)	
Sat, Jan 16	Oklahoma State *	at Stillwater, Okla.	7 p.m.	56 - 66 (L)	
Wed, Jan 20	Colorado *	Manhattan, Kan.	7 p.m.	57 - 63 (L)	
Sat, Jan 23	Nebraska *	at Lincoln, Neb.	11 a.m.	56 - 71 (L)	
Sun, Jan 31	Iowa State *	Manhattan, Kan.	2 p.m.		K-State Sports Network
Wed, Feb 03	Baylor *	Manhattan, Kan.	7 p.m.		K-State Sports Network
Sun, Feb 07	Kansas *	at Lawrence, Kan.	1 p.m.		MetroSports K-State Sports Network
Wed, Feb 10	Missouri *	Manhattan, Kan.	7 p.m.		FSN Kansas City K-State Sports Network
Sat, Feb 13	Texas A&M *	at College Station, Texas	7 p.m.		K-State Sports Network
Wed, Feb 17	Texas *	at Austin, Texas	7 p.m.		K-State Sports Network
Sun, Feb 21	Oklahoma *	Manhattan, Kan.	2 p.m.		FSN K-State Sports Network
Wed, Feb 24	Texas Tech *	Manhattan, Kan.	7 p.m.		FSN Kansas City K-State Sports Network
Sat, Feb 27	Iowa State *	at Ames, Iowa	7 p.m.		K-State Sports Network
Wed, Mar 03	Colorado *	at Boulder, Colo.	8 p.m. (CT)		K-State Sports Network
Sat, Mar 06	Nebraska *	Manhattan, Kan.	12 p.m.		K-State Sports Network
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The Board of County Commissioners Minutes

The Board of County Commissioners Of Riley County, Kansas

The Regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners met at the Riley County Plaza East Building January 14, 2010 with the following members present: Mike Kearns, Chairman; Karen McCulloh, Vice Chair; and Rich Vargo, County Clerk. Alvan Johnson, Member, was absent.

8:30 Public Comment & Business Meeting

Craig Cox, Assistant County Counselor; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer; Debbie Regester, Register of Deeds; Mike Holtman - Sink, Gillmore, and Gordon, LLP; Anne Smith, aTa Bus Director; Julie Winter, Public Works Office Manager; Cindy Volanti, Human Resource Manager; Greg McHenry, Appraiser; Nicole Setter, Administrative Clerk I; and Joyce Mermis, KMAN, attended.

Winter introduced Nicole Setter a new Public Works employee.

Volanti said an employee in the Appraiser's Office has a serious illness. Volanti said with the loss of Lori Hanson to the Noxious Weed Department the Appraiser's Office is short staffed in the mobile home area. Volanti said McHenry would like to allow Lori Hanson to work after normal business hours and be paid overtime. Volanti stated we need an exemption from Hanson's compensatory time agreement from the Appraiser's work and to be paid overtime from the Appraiser's Office.

McHenry said Hanson will be primarily training Appraiser's Office staff.

Kearns moved to allow Lori Hanson, from the Noxious Weed Department, to work overtime hours for the County Appraiser's Office during a medical absence of an Appraiser's Office employee. Overtime hours will be paid from the Appraiser's budget. Also allow an exemption from our compensatory time agreement for any Appraiser hours worked by Hanson to be paid as overtime pay and not banked at comp time. McCulloh seconded. Carried 2-0.

Hobson said the bids for the Eureka Drive project were opened yesterday with the low being approximately \$1.771 million.

Holtman presented the 2009 Audit Engagement Letter with Sink, Gillmore, and Gordon.

Kearns said he has noticed over the last five years there was a 15% increase in the annual audit cost and would ask for this year's rate to remain the same as last year in the amount of \$36,500.00.

Holtman agreed to hold the 2009 Audit at the 2008 amount of \$36,500.00.

McCulloh discussed getting confirmation of carryover sooner.

Holtman agreed to confirm the amount of Riley County's carryover figure by mid-May of each year.

Kearns moved to sign the 2009 Audit Engagement Letter in the amount of \$36,500.00, Budget Engagement Letter, and Confirmation Letters with Sink, Gillmore, and Gordon, LLP. McCulloh seconded. Carried 2-0.

McCulloh moved to approve a Renewal of Online Access Agreement with KDOT for the Register of Deeds' Office. Kearns seconded. Carried 2-0.

McCulloh moved to approve a Renewal of Online Access Agreement with Olsson Associates for the Register of Deeds' Office. Kearns seconded. Carried 2-0.

McCulloh moved to sign an Annual Section 5311 Grant Letter of Support for aTa Bus. Kearns seconded. Carried 2-0.

Cox discussed working on the County Childcare regulations.

The Board asked Cox to proceed with setting up the public meeting for the childcare regulations.

Kearns moved to approve the payroll vouchers in the amount of \$210,257.14 and the following warrant vouchers for January 15, 2010.

2009 Budget	
County General	\$67,637.75
Riley Co Juvenile Service	463.51
Motor Vehicles Operations	38.41
21st Jud Dist Teen Court	11.04
Riley Co Adult Services	815.22
Emergency 911	9,440.36
Solid Waste	1,301.02
County Building	2,631.00
RCPD Levy/Op	90.00
Landfill Closure	510.48
Riley Co Fire Dist #1	2,487.36
Riley Co Fire Dist CapOut	24,000.00
University Park W&S	2,589.70
Deep Creek Sewer	75.00

Valleywood Operations 150.00

TOTAL
\$112,240.85

2010 Budget
County General \$236,719.50
CDBG Housing 2,693.28
JJA Prevention St Formula
17,427.57
Riley Co Juvenile Service
5,679.73
Motor Vehicle Operations
4,468.50
21st Jud Dist Teen Court 869.90
Riley Co Adult Services
7,269.46
Capital Improvements Fund
126,606.00
Emergency 911 6,173.00
Solid Waste 3,265.46
County Building 1,524.54
Riley Co Fire Dist #1
3,142.60

TOTAL
\$415,839.54

McCulloh seconded. Carried 2-0.
McCulloh moved to approve an Out of State Travel Request for Rod Meredith to attend the National Association of County Engineers 2010 Annual Meeting and Management & Technical Conference in Fort Worth, Texas at no cost to Riley County. Kearns seconded. Carried 2-0.

McCulloh moved to approve an Out of State Travel Request for Gary Rosewicz to attend the National Association of County Engineers 2010 Annual Meeting and Management & Technical Conference in Fort Worth, Texas at no cost to Riley County. Kearns seconded. Carried 2-0.

Kearns moved to approve the minutes of January 11, 2010 as amended. McCulloh seconded. Carried 2-0.

9:00 Craig Cox, Assistant County

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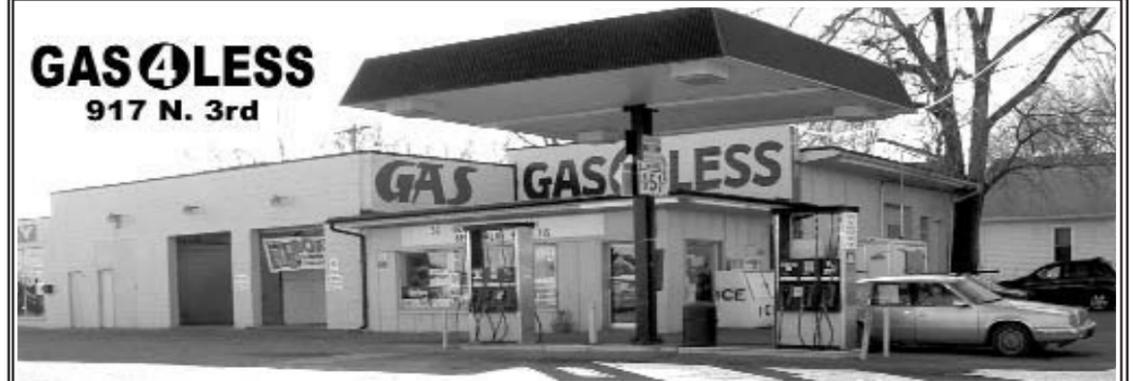
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Commission Minutes

Counselor
Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer; Julie Winter, Public Works Office Manager; Joyce Mermis, KMAN; and Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer, attended.

Kearns moved to recess as Riley County Commission and convene as the Valleywood Sewer District Board. McCulloh seconded. Carried 2-0.

Kearns opened the public hearing. Hobson presented a summary of the Valleywood sewer billing.

No public comment.
Kearns closed the public hearing.

McCulloh moved the Board authorize signature of the Interlocal Agreement as submitted. Kearns seconded. Carried 2-0.

Kearns discussed a meeting with Mel Van Der Stelt about the Valleywood Sewer District ditch.

McCulloh moved to reconvene as the Riley County Commission. Kearns seconded. Carried 2-0.

Kearns said Van Der Stelt mentioned bringing Julie Lane up to county road standards.

Hobson said county road standard is a gravel road, which it is since it is not in a subdivision.

Kearns said Van Der Stelt discussed drainage of water along Julie Lane.

Hobson discussed the drainage in the area.

Kearns said Van Der Stelt claimed the boundary line pins are missing.

Hobson said Riley County contracted with a surveyor to place the boundary line pins.

9:15 Lyle Butler, Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce

Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer; Joyce Mermis, KMAN; Craig Cox, Assistant County Counselor; Will Klusener, Manhattan Mercury; and Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance

Officer, attended.

Butler presented a Convention and Visitors Bureau pamphlet.

Butler discussed the Leaders' Retreat.

Butler discussed the press conference at 10:30 a.m. to announce expanded jet service to the Manhattan Airport.

Butler discussed the ½ cent sales tax for roads and jobs. Butler stated the Chamber would like to work jointly with Riley County and the City of Manhattan on the economic portion of the issue. Butler said he would like to pledge his support of the issue.

Butler stated the Chamber has been working with KSU and the City of Manhattan on strategic planning on the NBAF project.

McCulloh discussed it being a mistake to have the State discontinue hotel inspections in our community.

Butler agreed, and stated not having that service and food inspections is not good.

McCulloh stated it is an issue of safety.

Butler said it is important in a community like ours, which has a lot of visitors.

McCulloh stated she would like to see more air service to Dallas as many people are having trouble making connections.

9:30 Eileen King, Treasurer

Joyce Mermis, KMAN; Craig Cox, Assistant County Counselor; Will Klusener, Manhattan Mercury; Lyle Butler, Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce; and Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer, attended.

McCulloh moved to approve the following list of official depositories eligible to receive Riley County funds in 2010:

Capitol Federal Savings and Loan, Manhattan
Central National Bank,

ManhattanCommerce Bank, Manhattan Community 1st Bank, Manhattan Intrust Bank, Manhattan Kansas State Bank, Manhattan Landmark National Bank, Manhattan Leonardville State Bank, Leonardville Riley State Bank, Riley Sunflower Bank, Manhattan UMB Bank, Manhattan United Bank & Trust, Manhattan

Kansas Municipal Investment Pool Kearns seconded. Carried 2-0.

King presented monthly financial reports.

9:45 Craig Cox, Assistant County Counselor

"Administrative Work Session
Joyce Mermis, KMAN; Will Klusener, Manhattan Mercury; and Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer, attended.

Cox said Representative Sloan has introduced language on easements that are agricultural basis only and not military.

Kearns asked Cox to review the language.

Cox discussed the pending tax sale, which should be held in early summer.

Cox discussed the Konza/Wabaunsee Water District overlap. Cox said a draft document is being worked on to resolve the issue.

Cox discussed the animal control and kennel resolution.

Cox discussed the aTa Bus grant to build their operational facility at the shop site. Cox stated we should have a response by the end of this month or the first of February.

McCulloh said Riley County has done a wonderful job in supporting the aTa Bus Service.

Cox stated Nick Zack has a lot of inoperable vehicles and construction materials on his property. Cox stated Zack has missed his deadline and his consequences will now proceed.

Cox said that on another property a septic system failed, temporary

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measures were taken and a contractor has been hired to correct the problem.

Cox discussed a prior request to vacate a road in Grandview Heights. Cox asked if the Board wants to proceed or wait until Alvan Johnson returns as he expressed interest.

The Board suggested we proceed with scheduling the viewing of the road.

Kearns said he attended the Randolph City meeting last night. Kearns said their issues were the status of the first responder vehicle and the date of construction of the Randolph Fire Station.

Kearns stated he met with GIS staff about a project they need to complete.

Kearns said SB346 authorizes convicted felons who should go to the Department of Corrections who have less than 10-days to finish on their sentence must remain in the local jail.

Kearns said we need to be sure any cost associated with these 10-days is paid by the Department of Corrections.

Kearns said he attended the Rural Fire District #1 meeting and learned that fire calls increase by 34 in 2009 over 2008.

10:20 Rod Meredith, Assistant Public Works Director/Parks Director

"Bid opening for 12-yard dump

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"Conscience of Kansas"

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beliefs would be as impacting as the military firepower they offer. In reality, beliefs and defense are tied together for as the direction of the heart goes, so will the militaries go that are wielded by those hearts. In short, "We need friends like friends need us."

Despite the necessity for friends, America is only worthy of having friends to which we are true. This brings us to the matter of Israel. The tiny State of Israel has flourished despite having enemies that surround its borders. It has defended itself time and time again, often with tepid support from America and other "free" countries of the world. America has on many occasions joined other countries in placing the global spotlight on Israel when driving its enemies from its borders, and in encouraging its leaders to make deals that

are not in its best interest. Often the strongest support America gives Israel, our friend, is neutral statements of the desire for peace and negotiation. Remember the fair-weather friend? If we are to be honest we must say that for Israel, the weather is seldom fair.

2010 will be a year in which America's friendship to Israel will be tested to its limits. The growing threat to Israel from Iran, if not the entire world, will most certainly come to a head. In America's action or inaction, we will show the world what kind of country we are, and what value can be placed on being a true friend of this country. In return, we will reap what we sow, and America would be wise to remember that defending our true friends in the world is a defense of ourselves and our mutual beliefs.

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Commission Minutes

truck Joyce Mermis, KMAN; Will Klusener, Manhattan Mercury; Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer; and Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer, attended.
The Board of County Commissioners opened the following bids:
Company Bid #1 Bid #2
Midway Freightliner, Inc. P.O. Box 546 Palmyra, MO 63461 \$146,447.00
MHC Kenworth 2301 North Ohio Street Salina, KS 67401 \$146,857.90 \$144,946.01
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Kansas City Peterbilt 8915 Woodend Road Kansas City, KS 66111 \$161,921.00
Kansas Truck Center 2552 N 9th Street Salina, KS 67401-8623 \$153,633.00
Kenworth of Omaha 7502 L Street Omaha, NE 68127 \$145,590.00
Westfall O'Dell Truck Sales 4001 NE Randolph Road Kansas City, MO 64161 \$162,917.00
Doonan Peterbilt of Great Bend 36 NE Hwy 156 Great Bend, KS 67530 \$155,634.00
Wichita Kenworth, Inc. 5115 N Broadway Wichita, KS 67219 \$152,866.00 \$152,011.00
KCR International DBA Diamond 7700 NE 38th Street Kansas City, MO 64161-9456 \$142,421.00 \$144,655.00
Doonan Peterbilt of Great Bend Warren Doonan 36 NE Hwy 156 Great Bend, KS 67530 \$143,179.00

Kansas City Freightliner Sales, Inc. Bid A 7800 NE 38th Street Kansas City, MO 64161 \$154,119.00
Kansas City Freightliner Sales, Inc. Bid B 7800 NE 38th Street Kansas City, MO 64161 \$154,757.00
Midway Ford Truck Center 7601 NE 38th Street Kansas City, MO 64161 \$159,783.00
Westfall Volvo/MACK 4001 NE Randolph Road Kansas City, MO 64161 \$161,990.00
McCulloh moved to refer the bids to staff for evaluation and recom-mendation. Kearns seconded. Carried 2-0.
10:35 Robbin Cole, Pawnee Mental Health Services Director Craig Cox, Assistant County Counselor; Joyce Mermis, KMAN; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; and Will Klusener, Manhattan Mercury, attended.
Cole discussed the forty-two positions that have been eliminat-ed as of January 1, 2010 from Pawnee Mental Health's budget. Cole stated the positions were eliminated due to the cuts announced by Governor Mark Parkinson in November. Cole stated last year at this time thirty one positions were eliminated due to cuts in funding grants. Cole stated the cuts to grants in community mental health began in 2007. Cole said Pawnee received \$3.1 million in grant funding in 2007 and will receive \$1.9 million in grant fund-ing in 2010. Cole stated these cuts have created the elimination of seventy-three positions in Pawnee.
Cole stated what concerns her the most is this is what is suppose to provide the services to our com-munity. Cole said unfortunately

clients will now bare the burden. Cole stated effective January 1, 2010 the sliding fee scale has been adjusted. Cole stated still 87% will see a decrease in fees. Cole said clients will be required to pay as they go for services. Cole stated they will not refuse a client in need due to a crisis. Cole stated Pawnee will now have a benefits package for limited services available to clients which are uninsured.
Cole said these are just the first of many steps that will need to be taken.
Cole stated Pawnee appreciates Riley County's and KAC's sup-port.
McCulloh stated unfortunately it will only create a cost shift to law enforcement and courts which will not save money.
Kearns said when the State makes cuts like this based on abstract theory they do not see the personal impact locally.
Kearns stated the legislature needs to take a hard look at their priorities.
McCulloh said it angers her that the State closed the State mental hospitals returning patients to their communities and now cut the local funding.
Kearns stated this is another unfunded mandate, which raises taxes on the citizen.
11:07 McCulloh moved to adjourn. Kearns seconded. Carried 2-0.

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