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## City Budget For 2011

The governing body of

City of Manhattan

will meet on the August 3, 2010 at 7:00 PM at Commission Room, City Hall, 1101 Poyntz Ave. for the purpose of hearing and

answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of ad valorem tax.

Detailed budget information is available at the Finance Department and will be available at this hearing.

## BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget 2011 Expenditures and Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2011 budget.

Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

FUND	Prior Year Actual for 2009	Current Year Estimate for 2010		Proposed Budget for 2011		
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate *	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate *	Amount of 2010 Ad Valorem Tax	Estimate Tax Rate *
General	21,274,852	2.787	21,699,028	2.721	23,253,312	1,174,944
Debt Service	8,913,646	1.361	12,091,772	2.096	17,655,525	2,399,386
106 Employee Benefit	1,123,402	0.344	1,382,136	0.737	1,707,000	628,250
107 Fire Equipment Reserve	272,421	0.119	239,935	0.116	451,399	50,000
108 KF&F	634,304	0.193	646,721	0.347	597,940	75,000
109 General Improvement	15,850		64,646		62,716	
110 Industrial Promotion	94,008		87,456		295,000	
111 Library	1,926,251	3.499	1,979,819	4.247	1,999,494	1,822,610
112 Library EBF	400,000	0.878	439,800	0.932	440,000	399,776
113 Park Development	101,952		68,439		61,495	
123 Riley Co. Health Dept	239,191	0.519	251,150	0.531	289,319	266,957
124 Riley Co. Police Dept	11,271,456	24.568	11,847,984	25.562	12,321,888	11,479,371
Special Highway	1,593,350		1,675,688		1,827,716	
102 City University	501,024		488,300		570,700	
103 Aggienville BID	31,641		35,405		37,000	
104 Downtown BID	54,626		61,697		62,500	
105 Economic Development	2,731,309		6,101,912		7,222,097	
115 Sales Tax	4,912,175		5,489,561		4,968,468	
116 Special Alcohol	396,337		427,221		603,500	
117 Special Park & Rec	305,462		614,649		950,576	
119 Special Sunset Zoo	263,146		262,925		264,250	
121 Tourism Convention	707,800		920,110		1,158,143	
127 TIF - Downtown	635,318		1,925,000		2,700,000	
128 Federal Entitlement			300,000		600,000	
501 Water	6,779,744		7,211,830		10,330,500	
521 Wastewater	4,873,537		6,163,221		9,377,000	
531 Stormwater	564,854		1,271,553		2,468,000	
Non-Budgeted Funds-A	361,084					
Totals	70,978,740	34.268	83,747,958	37.289	102,275,538	18,296,294
Less: Transfers	9,813,496		10,813,505		10,593,178	
Net Expenditure	61,165,243		72,934,453		91,682,360	
Total Tax Levied	14,734,675		16,102,722		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	
Assessed Valuation	429,976,877		431,845,310		437,330,858	

\*Tax rates are expressed in mills

## 5.9% Increase Over Last Year

This is what the City Staff had to say about the 2011 Budget:

The proposed 2011 City Budget of \$105,045,538 represents a 5.9% increase over the 2010 City Budget or approximately a \$.5.9 million increase. However, about three-fourths of this increase is non-operational in nature reflecting increases in debt retirement payments related to community-wide growth the past few years as well as the City's moral obligation

commitment to debt service of the STAR and TIF bonds. For 2011, this commitment accounts for \$3 million of the proposed increase in the Bond and Interest Fund. This increase has no impact on property taxes.

The proposed 2011 City Budget includes the following highlights:

An increase of \$2,193,572 in property taxes levied to support the 2011 City Budget compared to the 2010 City Budget or about a 13.6% increase. This property tax increase is due to a combination of increases in the Bond and Interest Fund (\$1,494,382), Riley County Police Department Fund (\$440,435), Employee Benefit Fund (\$310,018), and Riley County Health Department Fund (\$37,750) offset by some minor decreases in the Library Fund and Fire Pension Fund.

No increase in estimated sales taxes for 2011. Sales taxes are projected to remain flat with the 2010 budget.

The addition of two rental inspectors as well as an office assistant and educator for future

Flint Hills Discovery Center. These positions are included in the General Fund and are revenue neutral having no impact on property taxes.

Although an increase in property valuation will be realized for the 2011 budget (1.3%), the 2011 proposed mill levy rate of 41.836 will still be an increase of 4.547 mills over the 2010 mill levy of 37.289 mills.

Of this proposed increase for 2011, 0.669 mills will be applied to those agencies that are not under the direct supervision of City Management. Of the remaining 3.878 mills, the majority will be applied to the City's debt retirement program leaving less than 0.5 mills for operational purposes.

It was when one student posted a link to a YouTube video of Wright on a 1950s game, that Charney saw the project in a new light.

"To see Wright there and to hear him speak, that's when I knew that I had something," Charney said. "That really brought it home for me and I knew that we had found Mr. Wright."

The course was such a success that Charney decided to teach a similar course this semester, "Looking for Mr. Wright 2.0."

This summer Charney and two recent K-State architecture graduates -- Eric Salmon, Kimberling City, Mo., and Matthew Shepard, Plattsburg, Mo. -- conducted a workshop about the class at the 35th annual Improving University Teaching International Conference in Washington D.C. The workshop, "Looking for Mr. Wright ... and Finding Him on Facebook," focused on how to use Facebook as a research tool in the classroom.

I think Facebook has sadly been given a bad connotation because of all the trivial things associated with it," Charney said. "It really does have a practical purpose, and if you can get in the mindset of seeing its potential rather than seeing how it's trivialized, it has tremendous value as a medium of exchange."

Charney was inspired to create the FETE Facebook page after using Facebook for a collaborative project in one of his architectural history course, "Looking for Mr. Wright," which he taught in the spring 2010 semester.

Charney used Facebook for a classwide project in which he created a page, or avatar, for famous architect Frank Lloyd Wright.

The students then chose an avatar for different relatives, apprentices and associates of Wright. Students created a Facebook page for the person, and then "friended" each other to create an intranet of characters surrounding Wright. The students performed research on their characters and posted their findings as pictures, notes and links on their Facebook pages.

The FETE Facebook page is meant to serve as a space for collaborative exchange: photo albums contain brochures for FETE; discussion boards provide a way to swap ideas for classroom guest speakers, conference topics and workshop opportunities; and the events page lists upcoming retreats and conferences for faculty. There is even a place for faculty to discuss what books they have been reading.

"With Facebook, the faculty exchange really does become an

## 383 Receives School Grant

Manhattan-Ogden USD 383 has received a two-year U.S. Department of Education Readiness and Emergency Management for School (REMS) grant in the amount of \$299,855. USD 383 is the only school district in Kansas to receive the grant.

"Our goal with this grant is to ensure the safety of USD 383 and Manhattan Catholic School and Flint Hills Christian School students and schools by institutionalizing and sustaining REMS plans," states Michele Jones, Project Director for the grant. "We are thrilled to be a recipient of this grant and look forward to working with our community partners to make our schools as safe as possible."

The grant will focus on 6 main areas:

Training for all administrators in the National Incident Management System

Coordination with the Kansas Homeland Security Plan

Further development of an Infectious Disease Plan

Development of a Food Defense Plan

Development of emergency

plans for our special populations (preschool, special education students, non-English speaking families)

Implementation of classroom and building go-kits

The U.S. Department of Education's Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools (OSDFS) manages the Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools grant competition. The REMS grant program provides funds for local education agencies (LEAs or school districts) to improve and strengthen their emergency management plans. The program also enables school districts to develop improved plans that address all four phases of emergency management: Prevention-Mitigation, Preparedness, Response, and Recovery. School districts also must commit to developing written plans that are coordinated with state Homeland Security plans, support the implementation of the National Incident Management System (NIMS), and are designed to prepare for a possible infectious disease outbreak, such as influenza pandemic.

## Saferide Ready To Roll

Kansas State University's SafeRide program is ready for a new school year with a new look and added convenience.

SafeRide provides a free, safe ride home to K-State students and guests who live within the designated city limits of Manhattan. The program's mission is to keep drunk drivers off the streets and provide an alternative ride home for students who find themselves in potentially threatening situations. The service runs from 11 p.m. to 3 a.m. Thursday through Saturday.

This year, instead of calling a special phone number to request a ride, SafeRide buses will run two designated routes in areas near campus, said Victoria Hatch, SafeRide coordinator.

"It has always been a goal to move to a fixed-route bus system," Hatch said. "We've waited several years for this to happen and are thrilled we're now able to provide a bus system for students."

The purple route will circle Aggienville and the neighborhoods to the east of the K-State campus, which include residence halls in the Derby and Strong complexes. The white route circles the neighborhoods to the west of campus, including residence halls in the Kramer complex and the Jardine Apartments.

Each route has designated stops along the way to pick up or let off passengers. Route maps and desig-

nated stops are available online at <http://www.kstate.edu/osas/saferide.e.htm>.

"I'm very excited about the SafeRide transition to a fixed-route system. Not only will we be increasing our efficiency, we'll also be providing a consistent and easy-to-use service," said Danny Unruh, K-State student body president. "The bottom line is that SafeRide just became a stronger program for keeping our students safe. I look forward to a warm and positive reception by our students."

"The routes selected were based on where the majority of students live in relation to campus," said Gayle Spencer, associate dean of student life. "As we receive feedback from students, we'll make adjustments to the routes and stops if necessary."

A current K-State ID is required to use SafeRide, but only one person in groups of up to four people needs to show the ID to use the service.

SafeRide operates on weekends when K-State is in session.

Funding for SafeRide is provided by K-State's Student Governing Association through campus privilege fees.

"SafeRide is an important, essential service that we offer our students at K-State. The safety of our students is a priority," Spencer said.

## KSU Gets Aid From Wind

By: Beth Bohn  
KSU News Service

Kansas State University is exploring the best way a donated wind turbine can be used for research and instruction. The university also will work with the community on a site for the turbine.

Donated by Westar Energy, the 750-kilowatt Zond turbine is one of two turbines Westar had at the Jeffrey Energy Center but decided to take down.

"The addition of the Zond turbine will enhance our educational and research opportunities in wind energy," said Don Gruenbacher, head of the department of electrical and computer engineering.

"We look forward to working with the community to find a suitable location for the turbine," said John English, dean of the College of Engineering.

Ruth Douglas Miller, associate professor of electrical and computer engineering and director of K-State's Wind Applications Center, said Westar offered the turbine to K-State in 2008, with the other turbine going to Cloud County Community College.

K-State has one of the better wind energy programs in the nation, Miller said.

"K-State's program is right up there. Only the University of

Massachusetts at Amherst and the University of Colorado currently have stronger programs," she said.

While Westar donated the turbine hardware, which Miller said would cost \$1 million to purchase new, K-State has been working to secure funding to refurbish, install and operate it.

The university recently received \$700,000 from the U.S. Department of Energy and \$156,000 from the Kansas Energy Office for the turbine project. University funds also are needed to make it operational.

"We're pleased that our retired turbine can fulfill a valuable educational purpose for K-State students," said Jim Ludwig, Westar Energy executive vice president. "We are confident that it will be put

## Obituaries

### Dr. Glenn West

**CHAPIN** - Glenn Arnold West passed away peacefully at the age of 91 on July 5, 2010 at his home on Lake Murray in Chapin, South Carolina.

Dr. West was born in Manhattan, Kansas on September 12, 1918, the son of Will and Irene West. He graduated from Kansas State University with a BS in Chemistry in 1940, followed by a Masters in Chemistry the following year. He began his military career with the Navy during WW II, studying medicine at St. Louis University, and graduating in 1947 as a Doctor of Medicine. After an internship in Tulsa, Oklahoma, he worked at the Kiowa Indian Reservation Hospital in Lawton, Oklahoma. Glenn was a general practitioner, pediatrician, internist, laboratory technician,

and surgeon. He also played Santa Claus at Christmas!

Dr. West joined the Army in 1953, was offered pathology training at Walter Reed Army Hospital, and became a pathologist. He served at several US Army bases; in Cairo, Egypt, and Vietnam. While in Vietnam, he served as Commander of the 9th Army Medical Lab and was in charge of all Army labs operating in Vietnam. He retired as a full Colonel. After his military career, Dr. West moved to South Carolina as Director of Clinical Pathology for DHEC.

Following DHEC, he went to work part-time at Physicians Clinical Laboratory in Columbia, and remained there until his retirement. While retired, Glenn enjoyed his passions for golf, collecting art, painting and traveling.

Dr. West is survived by his loving wife, Jeanne; his four daughters,

### Mary Epley

**MARY ELIZABETH EPLEY**, age 90, of Manhattan, died August 21, 2010, at Stoneybrook Retirement Community in Manhattan.

She was born September 10, 1919, in Osage, Arkansas, the daughter of George Ellis and Ollie Ida (Murphy) Usrey, and had been a Manhattan resident since 1992.

Mrs. Epley was a homemaker. Mary was a wonderful mother for her children. She enjoyed gardening and was an avid reader. Mary was a great cook and loved to cook for her family. Throughout her life she was very active in church activities.

On August 14, 1945, in Berryville, Arkansas, she was married to Jack C. Epley. He preceded her in death on February 28, 1996. She was also preceded in death by her parents and one brother: Willie Usrey; three sisters: Patsy Smith, Gladys Holden, Odie Gibbs; and her son, Joey.

Survivors include two daughters: Karen Brady of Port Angles, Washington, and Sharon Starkey of Manhattan, KS; one son, Kyle Epley of Quartz Hill, CA; her sister: Eloise Duvall of Berryville, Arkansas; four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild.

Graveside services will be held on Thursday at 10:30a.m. in the

Sheila Austrian, Pamela Kraske, Andrea West, and Rebecca Sherbak (Bill); his stepchildren, Robin Mizell (Jack) and Bob Hadden; his grandchildren, Courtney, Jennifer, Andrew, Aubrey, Aaron, Rebecca, Elizabeth, Summer, Katie and Meg and numerous great-grandchildren. The family would especially like to thank Jean Ann Scott and Sara and Sonny Koon for all their love and kindnesses to Glenn and the family. www.caughmanharmanfuneralhome.com

Graveside services were held at Fort Jackson National Cemetery on Friday, July 9, 2010 at 12:00 noon. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made in Glenn West's name to The Salvation Army of Columbia, PO Box 2786, Columbia, SC 29201, or the charity of your choice. Caughman-Harman Funeral Home, Chapin Chapel is assisting the family. www.caughmanharmanfuneralhome.com

Valley View Memorial Gardens Cemetery with Pastor Bob Flack officiating.

The family of Mrs. Epley will receive friends from 7:00 until 8:00p.m. Wednesday at the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home.

Online condolences may be left for the family through the funeral home website at www.ymlfuneralhome.com.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Terry C. Johnson Center for Basic Cancer Research. Contributions may be left in care of the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home, 1616 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, KS 66502.

### Loys Guest

**LOYS WILLIAM GUEST**, 86, Manhattan, KS passed away Friday, August 20, 2010 in the Mercy Regional Health Center, Manhattan.

He was born October 22, 1923 in Manhattan, the son of William Guest and Ruth Dunton Guest. He grew up in Manhattan, where he attended the local schools, and was a 1941 graduate of the Manhattan High School.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the South Pacific Theatre as a propeller mechanic with the U. S. Army Air Corp. He was discharged as a Sergeant in January 1946. He was later discharged as a Second Lieutenant from the U.S. Air Force Reserves in May 1955.

He was united in marriage to Mary Ellen Wing on December 22, 1950 at Topeka, KS. She survives of the home.

After the war, Mr. Guest returned to Manhattan and received his B.S.

degree in Agriculture from Kansas State University in 1949. He received his teaching certificate from Washburn University, Topeka in 1950 and a Masters Degree in Science from Kansas State in 1957. He taught in the elementary schools of Topeka from 1950-1956 and in Riverside, CA for three years before moving back to Manhattan in 1960. He spent six years teaching at the Eugene Field Grade School and many years teaching the sixth grade at Lee Elementary School.

He attended Faith Evangelical Free Church, Manhattan, was a member of the Eagle Forum, the National Rifle Association and served on the Color Guard detail of the Pearce-Keller American Legion Post No. 17.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Marilyn Ruth Hudson; and a granddaughter, Melinda Barry.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Guest is survived by two sons, David Wayne Guest, and his wife, Dana, Lake St.

Louis, MO and Paul Loys Guest, Manhattan; a daughter, Kristin Lee Barry, and her husband, Clinton Barry, Elizabeth, CO; a brother, Wendell Lee Guest, Canton, TX; a sister, Margaret Joanne Guest, Canton, TX; four grandchildren, Richard L. Barry, and his wife, Lori, Eva Marie Guest, Ruth Anne Guest and Anna Rae Guest; and two great grandchildren, Benjamin Lee Barry and Luke Williams Barry.

Following the wishes of Mr. Guest, his body was donated to the K.U. Medical Center for research purposes. A Memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, September 4, 2010 in the Faith Evangelical Free Church with Pastor Steve Ratliff officiating. Inurnment will be at a later date.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Loys Guest Memorial Fund, to be designated at a later date, and left in care of the Irvin-Parkview Funeral Home. Online condolences can be sent to www.irvinparkview.com.

great-grandchildren: Linley and Thayer Wilson.

Cremation is planned with graveside services to be held at 10:00 A.M. Friday at the St. George Cemetery with Pastor Jol Klein officiating. Family and friends are invited to meet at 9:00 A.M. Friday at the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home to form a procession to the cemetery.

The family of Mrs. Wilson will receive friends from 7:00 to 8:30 P.M. Thursday at the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home.

Online condolences may be left for the family through the funeral home website at

www.ymlfuneralhome.com.

Memorial contributions may be made to either the Riley County Seniors' Service Center or the Good Shepherd Hospice House. Contributions may be left in care of the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home, 1616 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, KS 66502.

### Muriel Wilson

**MURIEL H. WILSON**, age 79, of St. George, died August 23, 2010, at the Good Shepherd Hospice House in Manhattan.

She was born November 3, 1930, in Topeka, Kansas, the daughter of Joseph and Muriel (Merillat) Huggins, and had been a longtime area resident.

Mrs. Wilson earned her bachelors from Kansas State University in Education. She was a 3rd -4th teacher at St. George Grade School (1949-'50, 1977-1978) and librarian at St. George Grade and High School (1974-1976). She taught math to soldiers at Ft. Riley(1978-1980), then worked for the Manhattan Public Library (1980-1984). In 1984 she began working at the library at Kansas State University until she retired in 1994.

She was member of the St. George United Methodist Church and enjoyed volunteering at the Riley County Genealogical Society.

Mrs. Wilson enjoyed painting, reading, puzzles, swimming, playing cards at the Senior Center and tracing the family tree. She also loved to travel and take cruises. Her greatest joy came from being with her grand and great grand children.

On June 1, 1950, in Delia, Kansas, she was married to Robert Wilson. Mr. Wilson preceded her in death on September 16, 2000. She was also preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Cecil Huggins.

Survivors include four children: Joe Wilson and his wife Ellen of St. George, KS, Bill Wilson of Manhattan, Dick Wilson and his wife Myrna of Westmoreland, and Barbara Anderson of St. George; two siblings: Shirley Oliver of Maple Hill and Jim Huggins of Topeka; ten grandchildren: Kip Wilson and his wife Jessica, Doug Wilson, Kelli McCallum and her husband Jeremy, Amanda Hoffa and her husband Roger, Jared Wilson, Lance and Levi Anderson, Casey Koberstein, Michael and Sam Wilson; and two

The festival will be held in Liberal's Light Park the first full weekend of May in 2012 and 2013. The festival director will be Sally Fuller, director of the Liberal Convention & Visitors Bureau. Fuller said, "Everyone is so excited and so pleased that Liberal will be the next host. One county commissioner said it was better than winning the lottery. People that attend the festival will see that Liberal is a thriving city on the move and they will be amazed at our progress and prosperity."

Each year, over 150 communities are represented under large circus tents or out in the open to help the public plan Kansas day trips and to showcase Kansas entertainers, historic performers, products, food, art, and books. Attendance has ranged from 5,000-8,000.

A Liberal contingent will be present at the 2011 festival in Leavenworth to get one final first-hand view on how the festival is done and to invite the exhibitors and public to come to Liberal in 2012 and 2013.

For more information, go to [www.kansassamplerfestival.com](http://www.kansassamplerfestival.com).

The festival will be held for the second year at Ray Miller Park in Leavenworth May 7 and 8, 2011.

The festival will be held in Liberal's

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Contact: Le Juan Shrimplin

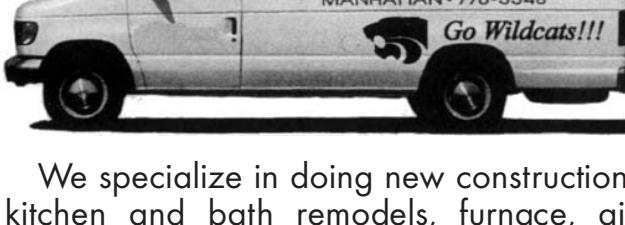
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## Kansas Profile - Now That's Rural: J.D. Cox - Neodesha

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

Sometimes it takes a spark to get something started, such as a campfire. Today we'll learn about a southeast Kansas town which used a Community Development Academy as a spark to start some exciting community initiatives. It's today's Kansas Profile.

J. D. Cox is city administrator for the city of Neodesha. Neodesha participated in a recent Community Development Academy which helped launch a new community improvement process there.

J. D. and his wife come from rural Kansas roots. She is from Neodesha originally. J. D. attended Independence schools, but he's from the nearby community of Elk City, population 301 people. Now, that's rural.

J. D. had a career in the information technology business which took him to such places as Chicago, Dallas and Boston. But when he and his wife wanted to start a family, they felt a desire to raise their children in a smaller, Midwest community. In 1993, they moved to Neodesha where J. D. took a position with a local manufacturing company.

J. D. also got involved with the local chamber and the county leadership program. Eventually some people asked if he would run for the city commission – and he said no. But after more encouragement, he agreed to run and was not only elected, he became mayor and was re-elected twice.

In late 2004, the city administrator stepped down. The other commission members asked and encouraged J. D. to take the position, which he eventually did. J. D. said, "I absolutely love



Ron Wilson

it."

In late 2009, J. D. saw a notice about a Community Development Academy that was being held for teams of community volunteers in southeast Kansas communities. The academy was being conducted by a consortium of groups, led by K-State's Center for Engagement and Community Development, K-State Research and Extension, the Federal Home Loan Bank and others, with grant support from USDA Rural Development.

J. D. liked the fact that the academy was intended to bring together representatives from different areas of the community, so he encouraged Neodesha to put together a team which participated in the 2010 academy. The team consisted of the executive director of the chamber of commerce, a hospital representative, an involved citizen, a banker and J. D. He said, "We had really good folks involved with a can-do attitude."

J. D. said, "The content of the academy was really good. It wasn't just one-way delivery, it was a dialogue." The dialogue involved some homework, including an assessment of their community by the team.

J. D. said, "It was a great process to go through. We did it rapidly but as comprehensively as possible. And once the class was over, it provided a framework for us to work on."

That is exactly what the team from Neodesha did. When they got back home, they engaged a number of additional citizens and started thinking about goals and action plans for the community. Those goals focus on planning and development strategies, community promotion, leadership and community involvement, and hazard mitigation and disaster planning. The team will be going to the city commission to seek its support for this community engagement process, which would include town hall meetings and more citizen input, leading to a strategic plan and action steps.

J. D. said, "We're excited. We want to reach as much of the community as possible in small group settings, including schools, civic organizations, and business and industry. Our overall goal is to engage the community and encourage participation in setting goals and specific actions for our community's future." He said, "The Community Development Academy was the spark that got us going."

Additional Community Development Academies are now being offered in northwest and northeast Kansas. For more information, go to [www.ksu.edu/ceed/cda](http://www.ksu.edu/ceed/cda).

Sometimes it takes a spark to get something started. In this case, the Community Development Academy provided a spark to help the community of Neodesha think strategically about its future. We commend J. D. Cox and all those involved in Neodesha for making a difference by launching this initiative. With that spark to get things started, they are now fanning the flames of community engagement.

## New Chimpanzee Birth At Zoo

Sunset Zoo is pleased to announce that Susie, the 56-year old chimpanzee matriarch, delivered a healthy baby Wednesday, August 18, at 4:45 pm. Mother and baby are doing very well and have been under observation by trained volunteers and staff since the birth. Julian, Sunset Zoo's sole male chimpanzee, is the father.

In the wild, chimpanzees live 40–45 years on average. Susie is the third oldest chimpanzee among Association of Zoos & Aquariums accredited zoos and has been under the medical care of the Kansas State University veterinary team since her pregnancy was confirmed.

"Susie was removed from birth control because of medical concerns. The feeling was that she was too old to get pregnant and while this was certainly unexpected, we're very happy that both Susie and baby appear to be

doing well", said Scott Shoemaker, Sunset Zoo Director. "We're glad K-State played such a vital role in a healthy pregnancy and invite people to come to Sunset Zoo and watch the baby grow."

The chimpanzee troop has full access to their outdoor enclosure, indoor Ballard Gallery, and evening dens. Mother and baby have moved in and out of the public viewing area at will since the birth. Sunset Zoo staff and trained volunteers will continue to keep the new mother and infant under observation.

Sunset Zoo invites the community to get to know the expanding chimpanzee troop and to look for milestones that are typically observed in chimpanzee babies. During the first week of life, chimpanzee babies are completely dependent upon their mothers. During the second week of

life, chimpanzee babies typically remain awake most of the day and will begin to hold their heads up while tracking with their eyes and head.

In the third week, chimpanzee infants begin to pull up on their mothers, cling to them, and possibly suck their own thumbs. By the fifth week, infant chimpanzees begin to navigate their mothers' body without much aid and will look towards sounds and react to them. By week eleven, the young chimp will begin to explore slightly away from the mother, but always staying close.

Sunset Zoo will host a chimpanzee baby naming contest beginning in September and concluding during the Zoo's SPOOKtacular trick-or-treating weekend, October 23 and 24. All proceeds will go towards chimpanzee conservation.

## Vice President Biden's Fatal Conceit

By Tad DeHaven

Cato Institute

The White House's misbegotten "Summer of Recovery" continued today with the release of another administration "analysis" that purportedly demonstrates the stimulus's success in "transforming" the economy.

Vice President Joe Biden unveiled the report alongside Energy secretary Steven Chu and numerous businesses officials willing to serve as political props in return for Uncle Sam's free candy. Biden bemoaned the nefarious "special interests" that were coddled

by the previous administration. What does the vice president think those subsidized business officials attending his speech are called?

The money the White House has lavished on these privileged businesses isn't free. The money comes from taxpayers—including businesses that do not enjoy the favor of the White House—who consequently have \$100 billion (plus interest) less to spend or invest. Therefore, the fundamental question is: Are Joe Biden—an individual who has spent his entire career in government—and the Washington

political class better at directing economic activity than the private sector?

Biden repeatedly stated that the "government plants the seed and the private sector makes it grow." Because the government possesses no "seeds" that it didn't first confiscate from the private sector, what the vice president is advocating is the redistribution of capital according to the dictates of the Beltway. This mindset exemplifies the arrogance of the political class, which at its core believes that free individuals are incapable of making the "right" decision without the guiding hand of the state.

Unfortunately for Joe Biden, the state's hand guided the private sector into the economic downturn that the administration and its apologists would have us believe was a consequence of imaginary laissez faire policies. From the housing market planners at HUD to the money planners at the Federal Reserve, government interventions led to the economic turmoil that the perpetrating political class now claims it can fix.

Enough already. The following are Cato resources that challenge the vice president's breezy rhetoric on the ability of the federal government to direct economic growth:

\* Energy Subsidies: The government has spent billions of dollars over the decades on dead-end schemes and dubious projects that have often had large cost overruns.

\* Energy Regulations: Most federal intrusions into energy markets have been serious mistakes. They have destabilized markets, reduced domestic output, and decreased consumer welfare.

\* Energy Interventions: The current arguments for energy intervention and energy subsidies fall short.

\* High-Speed Rail: Policymakers are dumping billions of dollars into high-speed rail, even though foreign systems are money losers and carry only a small share of intercity passengers.

\* Special-Interest Spending: Many federal programs deliver subsidies to particular groups of individuals and businesses while harming taxpayers and damaging the overall economy.

Johnson, Wichita, KS, Donald R. Johnson, Kansas City, MO and Lyndon B. Johnson, Olathe, KS; a daughter, Kathy A. Anderson, Lawrence, KS; a brother, Donnie Johnson, Warriormine, WV; three sisters, Frances Blankenship, Sis Blankenship, Darlene Allwine; and nine grandchildren.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, August 26, 2010 in the St. Thomas More Catholic Church, Manhattan with Father Loren Werth as celebrant. Graveside services, with full military honors, will be held at 9:30 a.m., Friday, August 27, 2010 in the Kansas Veterans Cemetery at Ft. Riley. Family and friends are invited to meet at the funeral home at 9:00 a.m. to form a procession to the cemetery.

The family of Mr. Johnson will receive friends at 6:00 p.m., Thursday at the St. Thomas More Catholic Church followed by a Rosary at 6:30 p.m.

Memorial contributions can be made to the St. Thomas More Catholic Church and left in care of the funeral home. Online condolences can be sent to [www.irvinparkview.com](http://www.irvinparkview.com).

He was a member of the St. Thomas More Catholic Church, Manhattan.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Johnson is survived by four sons, Daniel P. Johnson, Kenosha, WI, John D.

## Presentation On American Quilts

Patricia Crews, director of the International Quilt Study Center and Museum at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, will discuss the history of American quilts Friday, Sept. 10, at Kansas State University.

Crews will present "American Quilts in the Modern Age, 1880-1940" at 4:30 p.m. in All Faiths Chapel. Her talk will look at how Americans responded to rapid industrialization, urbanization and immigration as reflected by quilt designs and techniques.

The presentation will be followed by a reception at K-State's Marianna Kistler Beach Museum of Art; both are the closing events for the Beach Museum's current exhibition, "Pieces of Time: Quilts from the K-State Historic Costume and Textile Museum." The events are free and open to the public. They are co-hosted by the Friends of the K-State Historic Costume and Textile Museum and K-State's department of apparel, textiles and interior design. The quilt exhibition closes Sunday, Sept. 12.

With two quilting guilds that have memberships of more than 200 people, quilting has long been popular in the Manhattan community, according to Carole Chelz, president of the Friends of the K-State Historic Costume and Textile Museum, and the past president of the Friends of the Beach Museum of Art.

"Dr. Crews is an internationally-known quilt expert, educator and author, and we are pleased she'll present the closing lecture for the quilt exhibition at the Beach Museum," Chelz said.

Crews has been member of the University of Nebraska faculty since 1984, joining the school right after

she earned her doctorate in apparel, textiles and interior design from K-State. She has won several awards for her teaching and research, including the Smithsonian's 1993 Frost Prize for Distinguished Scholarship in American Crafts for her book "Nebraska Quilts and Quiltmakers."

She also is the author of three other major books on quilting: "American Quilts in the Modern Age," "Wild by Design: Two Hundred Years of Innovation and Artistry in American Quilts" and the "Flowering of Quilts." Crews was named a Willa Cather Professor for Outstanding Scholarship in 2003.

The Friends of the K-State Historic Costume and Textile Museum organization was organized in 2003 to support the preservation, exhibition and use of the department of apparel, textiles and interior design's extensive teaching-research collection. For more information about the Crews presentation or joining the friends' organization, contact the department office at 785-532-6993.

Along with the Crews presentation, another special event will highlight the quilt exhibition at the Beach Museum. The "Pieces of Time Quilt Design" Open House will be 2-3:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 29, at the museum. The Konza Prairie Quilters Guild and Prairie Star Quilt Guild will offer hands-on activities, suitable for the whole family. Participants can experiment with quilt patterns, try hand quilting, and view a wide variety of contemporary quilts produced by local artists. Refreshments will be provided. The open house is free and no reservations are required. The event is funded by a grant from the Kansas Arts Commission.

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## Thoughts From The Prairie

### Don't Confuse Me with Facts...

"Don't confuse me with facts, my mind is made up." Such was my understanding of the concluding remarks by Mayor Snead after a three and half hour, packed house, public input to the proposed changes to the Manhattan City ordinances to include "Sexual Orientation" and "Gender Identity" as a protected class. But that should come as no surprise, for Mayor Snead, and Commissioners Sherow and Morris-Hardeman have already stated they support these changes. Commissioners Strawn and Pepperd hammered on the need for research to identify the extent of discrimination in Manhattan that would be covered by the new ordinance to determine the need for changes. Their recommendations were ignored. At the point of identifying the responsibility of the Human Rights (HR) Board by the Commission, one attendee mused, "They want it to go to the HR Board for recommendation on WHAT policy, not WHETHER a policy." Could it be that the composition of the Board is such that its recommendation might not support the foregone conclusion of the majority of the Commission? Ah, so don't ask for a recommendation!

There were some reservations about "Gender Identity" and it is not even defined in the proposed ordinance. But it is clear an ordinance that includes "Sexual Orientation" as a protected class is essentially a done deal. "Sexual Orientation" is defined as, "Heterosexuality, homosexuality or bisexuality. It is the direction of one's sexual interest toward members of the same, opposite, or both sexes. Sexual orientation is a pattern of emotional, romantic, and/or sexual attractions to men, women, both genders, neither gender, or another gender. Sexual Orientation shall not mean conduct which is prohibited by law."

There was ample argument presented by the public that the timing for implementation of a City ordinance that adds "sexual orientation" and "gender identity" as a protected class could not be worse. The City already has severe budget shortfalls and businesses are struggling to survive. Reporting on the new budget that was adopted on a vote of 3 to 2, Ron Fehr said there is no cost of living increase, the merit pay pool is limited to one percent, and there is a shortfall in sales tax so property taxes will increase by \$2,200,000. Yet Commissioners Snead, Sherow, Morris-Hardeman are committed to rushing this ordinance to implementation based upon the subjective conclusion that sexual orientation is biological, therefore immutable. The fact is that for decades the activists have tried to convince themselves that homosexuality is genetic but that is scientifically unsustainable for literature is replete with case histories of practicing homosexuals who abandoned that lifestyle for lasting heterosexual relationships.

Some comments from one attendee might

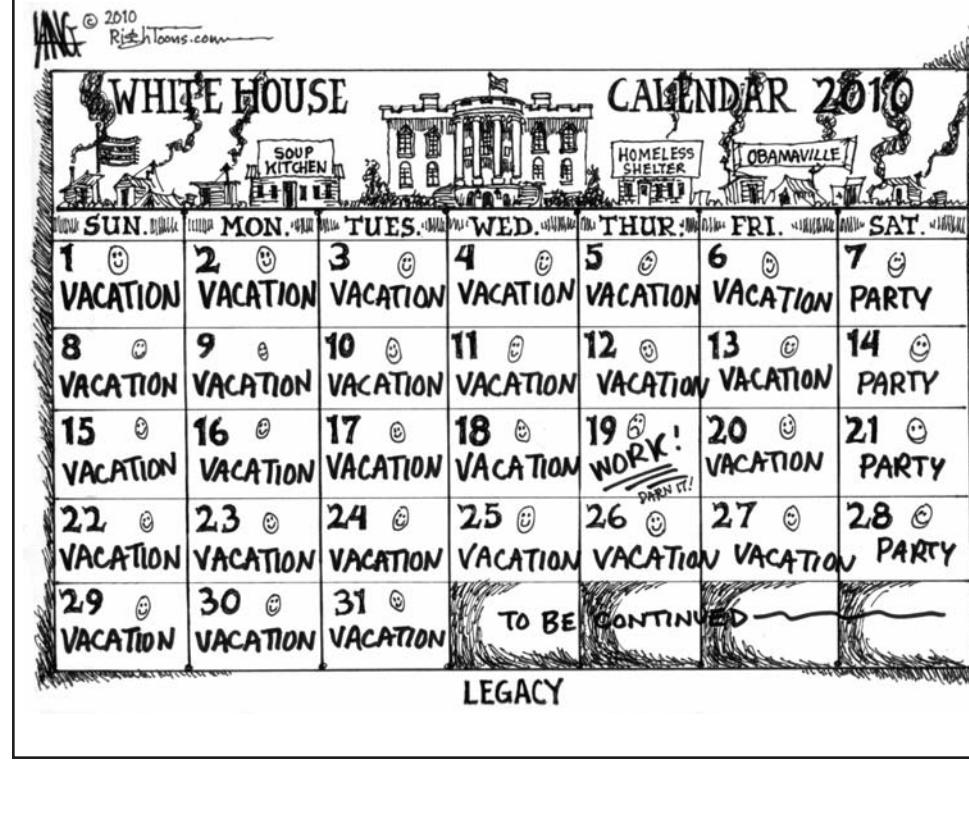
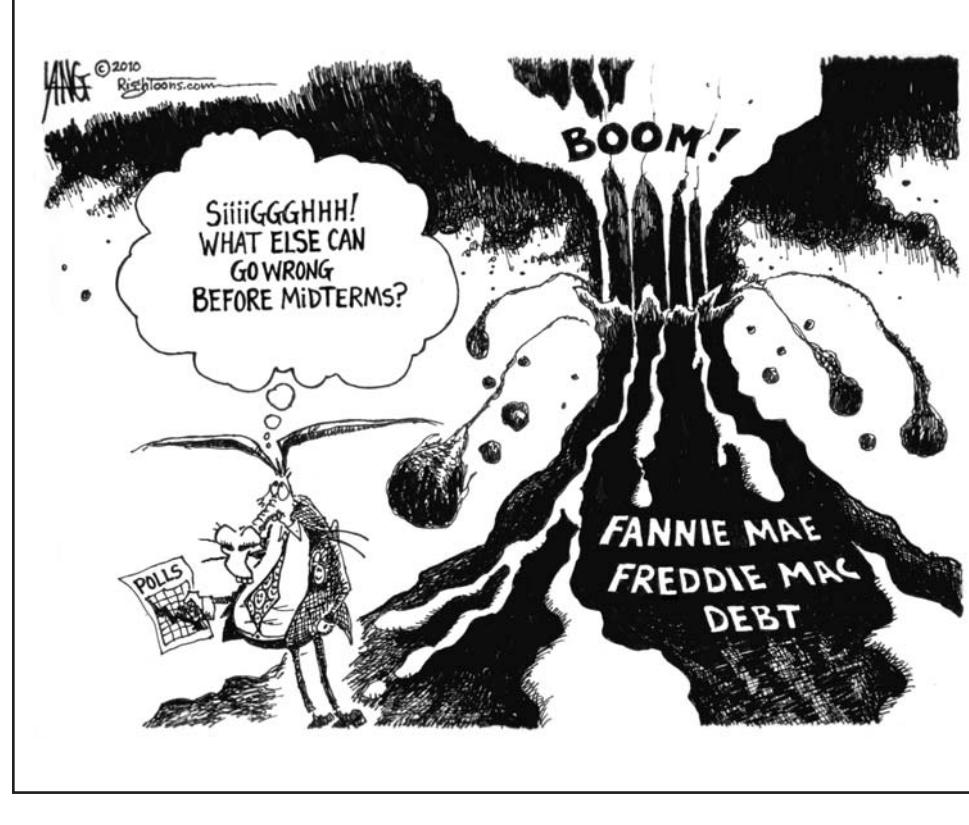


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interest you. "One request of Commissioner Morris-Hardeman is whether churches have been penalized in other communities for discriminating in employment practices regarding sexual orientation or gender identity. City Attorney Frost made it clear over and over that if religious organizations discriminate in membership they are no longer exempt from employment or housing discrimination. This appeared to surprise most people on both sides of the issue, including Commissioners Sherow and Morris-Hardeman. The Commission denounced the Boulder, CO, ordinance as too radical on "Gender Identity", but still want staff to try to find a 'less fuzzy definition'."

Daniel Blomberg, Litigation Staff Counsel, Alliance Defense Fund, reviewed the proposed ordinance and wrote, "The proposed nondiscrimination ordinance is highly problematic. It fails to protect the cherished religious freedoms of Manhattan residents, business owners, and religious organizations. Its onerous, unworkable scheme subjects business owners to excessive liability by creating 'discrimination' laws that will be difficult to obey, easy to abuse, and would subject businesses trying to follow them to lawsuits."

This proposal is rift with confusion and opportunities for arbitrary interpretation. But unless the citizens of Manhattan rise up, it is a done deal on a 3 to 2 vote of the Commission! Elections do matter and when only 19 percent of Manhattanites vote in a Commission election, this is the result. So, church members, maybe you will wake up when you or your church gets slapped with a \$10,000 fine for doing what you can do now.



## “Conscience of Kansas”

### Classic Monster Politics

What do Bela Lugosi, Boris Karloff, Lon Chaney and Lon Chaney Jr. have in common? They are forever known as the faces of the classic monsters Dracula, Frankenstein's monster, Phantom of the Opera, and the Wolf Man. Whether you were frightened by these classic representations or the continual evolutionary adaptations that have followed, we all know these monsters when we see them and we all do the same thing when they are thrust into our faces: we take a big step back.

As interesting as the creatures themselves is the construction in how they are perceived. With this in mind, no relevant "monster talk" would be complete without addressing the most prevalent but least identified monsters of today. This identification is made if we are smart enough to expand our minds to enlightened ways of thinking and bold enough to shine our torches into the deepest, darkest recesses in which these illusive modern ghouls take refuge. The problem in the end is that when we finally take a bold look, we are more likely to find a beast with a three-piece suit and briefcase than a creature in rags and chains. In place of ravenous, blood-sucking fangs, we are likely to find smiling faces, stacks of ambiguous laws and a well-manicured hand that can whip out a signature in total darkness. Who are these new slithering, sinister surrogates of evil? Without a doubt it is the modern-day politician.

This is not an indictment of all those who go into this field of public service, rather the recognition of a framing process that takes place where some politicians seem to shine while others are deformed by the monster politician persona. The term "monster politics" serves to describe an environment beyond normal debate and division that highlights the power of the psychological to supersede the theatrical. It is the process by which a politician embraces political circumstances in a way that generates a negative persona, alienating the politician from his or her constituents and creating a dangerous air of unpredictability that is not conducive to future political service. We can appropriately call this the "terminal term," or the building of the non-re-electable politician. While this is not the inevitable ending point for all who serve in public office, it seems to be the unfolding story of Barack Obama.

For perspective we should understand that all politicians come into office with a certain population that will always oppose them. Equally assured, all presidents through the course of their term have historically made pressing decisions that inflame segments of their own base constituency. Additionally, all presidents fall prey to the occasional faux pas, but monster politics is not evoked from these actions. Like the theatrical characters from which our perception of the monster arises, it is the actions after the critical incident—the bite, curse or lightening-induced creation itself—that frames the individual as the monster we know. It is the same with the president and it is here that Barack Obama, through his own actions, pushes the polls' numbers of public sentiment toward the dark, dank depths of monstrous non-re-electability.

CNN's August 4, 2010 poll shows that 27 percent of Americans have doubts that Barack Obama is an American citizen. Also, the most recent Pew Research Poll shows that 18 percent of Americans believe the president is a Muslim. This is a 7 percent increase from 2009 poll results. From Democracy Corps' July 2010 polling results, 55 percent of Americans think Obama is a socialist and 56 percent think he is too liberal. Arguably, both charges may be one in the same. For Obama supporters it is not just the existence of poll classifications such as these that should be disheartening, but also the fact that Obama's numbers are increasing in these areas over time.

It is the Obama administration's inability to



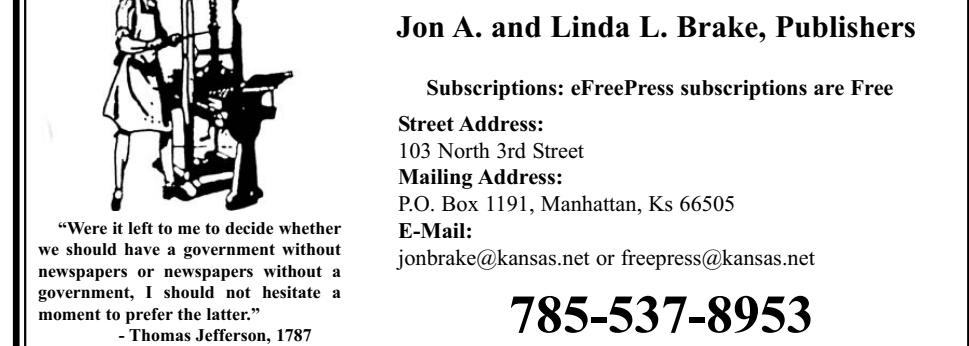
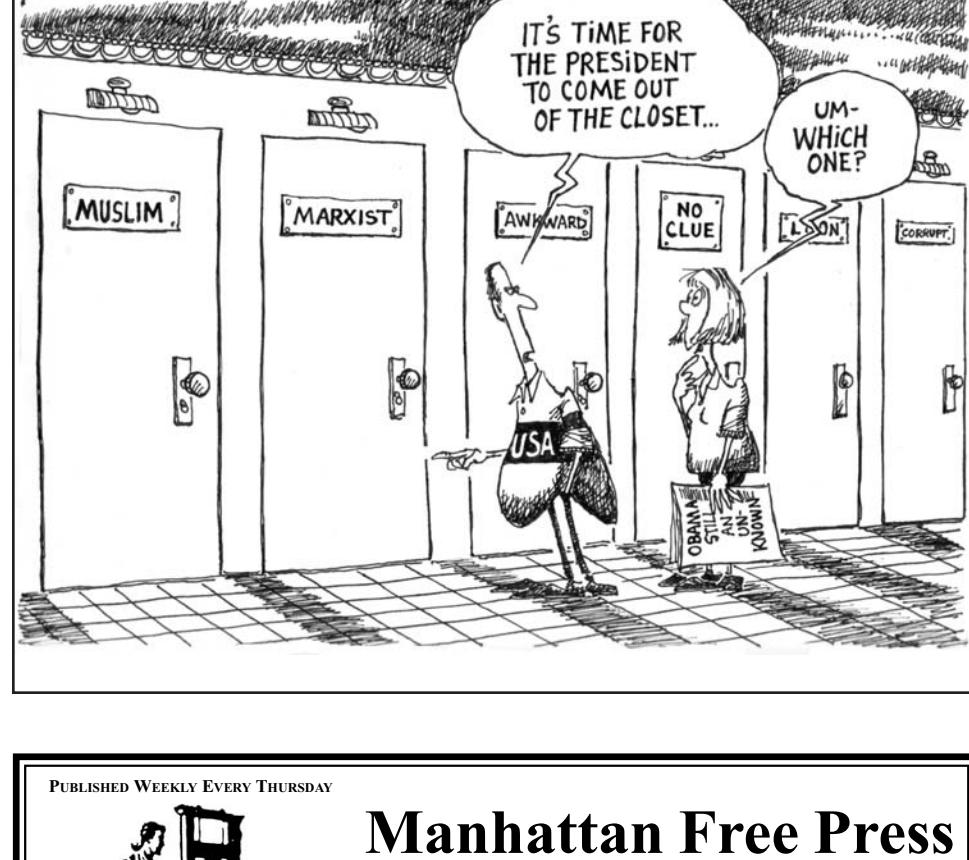
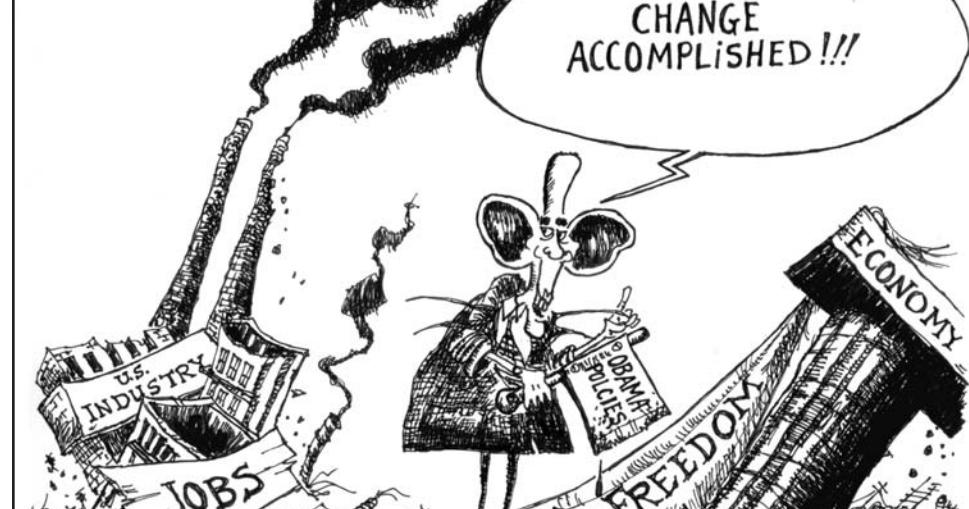
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deflect, and often its overt actions, which perpetuate these negative attributes that have emboldened the classic monster politics scenario that now surround the president. Is the president a Muslim? Doubtful, but like an overactive Dr. Frankenstein, Obama has created his own monster persona through his own book quotes, Middle East apology tour, anti-Israel stance, and forceful, non-solicited statements such as those recently heard on the issue of the mega mosque fiasco near ground zero in New York. Like the fear and hatred generated by our classic monsters, the motivating force is the same in monster politics. It is the grouping of calamitous actions with alienation and unwanted mysteriousness, the latter two points exacerbating the first, which bring about such negative outcomes.

That is, in simple terms, the monster truly does bad things, but that is not enough to bring about its bad reputation. It must be in combination with personal characteristics that are in opposition with, or simply alien to the general populace, as well as a mysterious nature that creates an environment of unpredictability. Welcome to the world of Barack Obama. With this knowledge there is little wonder why Obama's two decades of attendance at a radically socialistic church under the tutelage of Reverend Jeremiah Wright fails to give him public identification as a Christian with a growing number of Americans. It is in part a lack of personal Christian identification, if not hostility toward Christian conservatives in America, which has prompted more and more people to speculate Obama as having alternative religious affiliations.

Is Obama an American-born citizen? Probably, but like a vampire that refuses to stand in front of the mirror to be justified, Obama's secretive, if not deceptive, actions on this important issue breed the mistrust from which castles are torn open, castles are stormed, moors are patrolled, and approval numbers plunge into the abyss. Is Obama a socialist? The president has done nothing here but reinforce the affirmative by his actions and rhetoric, but even many of the socialists of today have avoided being caught up in the career-ending calamities of monster politics. If the president continues to separate himself from the American people by attitude, rhetoric and policy, he will do more than open the door to more grim conjectures about his future policies and personal character; he will have created his own forever-told horror story of the one-term president from the depths of monster politics.

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## Researchers Explore Space Travel Effects With NASA Grant

By Jennifer Torline  
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The final frontier may be no further than Manhattan, Kan., as a team of Kansas State University researchers launches a project funded by a \$1.2 million grant from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

The team -- composed of Thomas Barstow, professor of kinesiology; Steven Warren, associate professor of electrical and computer engineering; Russell Taylor, an engineer in the Electronics Design Laboratory; and Carl Ade, a doctoral student in anatomy and physiology, Salina -- will research what physical characteristics are necessary for an astronaut to perform lunar tasks. The team also will study ways to assess whether a person has enough physical capacity to perform the tasks.

"Space travel is inherently dangerous," Barstow said. "The absence of gravity, which we call microgravity or zero gravity, causes our bodies to deteriorate in a variety of ways."

A microgravity environment causes the weakening of muscles and the immune system, and it deteriorates the cardiovascular system's ability to regulate blood pressure. Barstow said this can affect an astronaut's ability to perform necessary tasks, such as climbing ladders, walking or opening doors. For the safety of the astronauts, NASA wants to make sure they are physically fit enough to perform those tasks dur-

ing future missions to the moon and even Mars.

"What seems like simple tasks as part of their life on the moon or other destinations could be life threatening if the astronauts aren't strong enough to do those tasks," Barstow said.

The goal of the research, Barstow said, is to develop a simple test or a series of tests that astronauts can use in space to identify their physical conditioning and to determine if they have the capacity to perform lunar tasks.

Each year of the three-year project will focus on a different aspect of space travel. In the first year the researchers will recruit 100 people to undergo an obstacle course of tasks that NASA has identified as simulating lunar activities -- including dragging a dummy, climbing up and down ladders, pushing a wheelbarrow of rocks, and walking for 10 km. The participants also will perform physical fitness tests, such as running on a treadmill and arm exercises. Warren is developing sensors that the participants can wear to measure muscle activity and the oxygen circulating to them while performing the tasks.

"We're hoping to get a fairly complete description of each person's muscle strength, muscle endurance and cardiovascular endurance, so that with the results of those tests, we then can predict their performances during the simulated lunar tasks," Barstow said.

For the second year Warren and Taylor plan to develop a support sys-

tem that can simulate different levels of gravity. The system works by suspending the participant like a marionette -- with cables that are attached to a platform and can be adjusted to simulate the moon's gravity or gravity on mars. The system is hung from a forklift, or telehandler, so that it can move across a terrain while the subject traverses a simulated moonscape.

The third year researchers plan to observe participants performing the lunar tasks in space suits. Since the moon's gravity is one-sixth that of earth and Mars' gravity is three-eighths of the earth's, it will make some of the tasks easier than performing them on earth. But, Barstow said, the pressurized space suits that astronauts wear could make the tasks more difficult, especially tasks that require using hands to grip objects. The researchers also plan to develop special physical tests just for the arms and forearms.

At the end of the three years the researchers hope to continue working with NASA to develop countermeasures, or ways the astronauts can maintain strength and endurance in space.

Barstow said the project also creates research opportunities for kinesiology students, and he is looking for 15 to 20 students to help with research. The researchers are also looking for 100 people to participate in the study and for a building to perform the tests sheltered from the weather.

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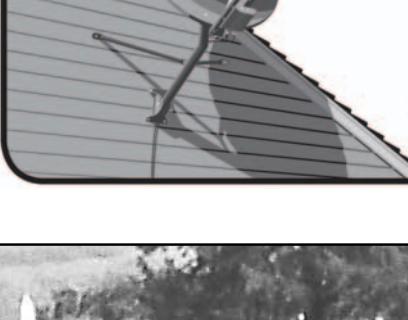
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## How Obamacare Empowers The Medicare Bureaucracy

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The Patient Protection and Affordable Health Care Act (PPACA) is projected to yield \$575 billion in Medicare savings over the next 10 years, mostly from Medicare payment reductions to doctors, hospitals, and health plans. But beneath these payment reductions, the PPACA also makes statutory changes that could challenge the autonomy of physicians to treat patients as they think best, undercut the freedom of physicians to remain in private practice, and threaten the continuation of fee-for-service medicine regardless of the preferences of doctors and patients.

The statutory text is an insufficient guide as to how exactly these provisions will affect seniors and their doctors. Forthcoming regulation will be revealing. Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Kathleen Sebelius and Dr. Donald Berwick, administrator of the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) will have primary responsibility for implementing Medicare changes. Berwick's recess appointment as CMS administrator spared him Senate confirmation hearings and a public exploration of his widely reported views praising the British National Health Service (NHS).

### Getting "Evidence-Based Medicine" Right

Under Title VI, Section 6301, Obamacare created the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute, which will establish research priorities and studies that compare the effectiveness of medical and surgical treatments. It will replace the 15-member Federal Coordinating Council for Comparative Effectiveness Research created in the stimulus bill last year.

There is nothing new, of course, about "evidence-based medicine." When reliable and sufficient data become available, physicians here and abroad author papers published in professional, peer-reviewed journals that highlight effective treatments. This is how medicine evolves.

There is also nothing objectionable about the new institute if it merely serves to expand scientific knowledge secured through rigorous analyses of reliable data, thus strengthening the statistical significance of evidence-based studies. The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) in its December 2008 analysis of the impact of 115 options for controlling health care spending, however, concluded that "the results of that research would gradually generate modest changes in medical practice as providers responded to evidence on the effectiveness of alternative treatments, the net effect of which would be to reduce total spending on health care in the United States

by an estimated \$8 billion over the 2010-2019 period (or by less than one-tenth of 1 percent)."

Standardizing Care? The key issue, to be resolved through regulation, is the precise relationship between providers' reimbursement and plan coverage and the findings of comparative effectiveness research. Under Title VI, Section 6301 of the PPACA, the Secretary can use "evidence and findings from [comparative effectiveness] research" to make coverage determinations under certain statutory conditions and cannot deny coverage of items or services "solely" on the basis of that research. Nonetheless, these statutory conditions are not to be construed as "preventing" the Secretary from using such evidence in determining coverage or reimbursement. The turgid text will engender a rat's nest of regulatory complexity.

The likely result: Doctors will be coerced into standardizing patient care. Veteran New York Times reporter Robert Pear notes that "Dr. Berwick said doctors and hospitals should follow 'protocols, guidelines and algorithms for care,' based on the idea that 'someone knows or can discover the best way to carry out a task or reach a decision, and that improvement can come from standardizing processes and behaviors to conform to this ideal model.'"

The day-to-day practice of clinical medicine is an inexact science. Evidence-based medicine is at its best when it informs a clinical decision rather than dictating it. Physicians know that treatments that prove effective for the vast majority of the population studied may not be the best for those who are two or three standard deviations from the mean. Statistical outliers are patients, too. Patient treatment should ultimately be determined by the physician's decisions based upon what is best and most effective for that individual patient and not for a statistical population of patients. Preserving physicians' professional independence is absolutely critical to good patient care.

Changing Physician Practice. In its 2008 Health Tracking Physician Survey, the Center for Studying Health System Change found that 32 percent of American doctors practiced in solo or two-physician practices, and 15 percent practiced in group practices of three to five physicians. Payments for these 47 percent of practicing physicians are largely fee-for-service.

Under Title III, Section 3021 of the PPACA, Congress authorized the creation of the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation within CMS. The new center is to propose alternatives to fee-for-service reimbursement by developing and testing "innovative payment and service delivery models to reduce program expenditures ...

while preserving or enhancing the quality of care furnished." The HHS Secretary has the regulatory authority to "expands the duration and the scope of a model" that appears promising under the law's evaluation standards. These models can be incorporated into Medicare and Medicaid.

### These models may include:

- \* "Promoting broad payment and practice reform in primary care ... and models that transition primary care practices away from fee-for-service based reimbursement and toward comprehensive payment or salary-based payment," and

- \* "Contracting directly with groups of providers of services and suppliers to promote innovative care delivery models, such as through risk-based comprehensive payment or salary-based payment," and

- \* "Promote care coordination between providers of services and suppliers that transition health care providers away from fee-for-service based reimbursement and toward salary-based payment."

It appears that this provision would give Dr. Berwick the authority to implement policies he advocated before he became CMS administrator. In his July 2008 address on occasion of the 60th birthday of the British National Health Service, he said, "In the United States, our care is in fragments. Providers of care, whether for-profit or not-for-profit, are entrepreneurs. Each seeks to increase his share of the pie, at the expense of others. And so we don't have a rational structure of inter-related components; we have a collection of pieces—a caravan site."

One such change agent is an Accountable Care Organization (ACO). Created under Title III, Section 3022 of the PPACA, an ACO is a voluntary grouping of health care providers, including primary care physicians, who agree "to become accountable for the quality, cost, and overall care of the Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries assigned to it." The HHS Secretary "shall determine an appropriate method to assign Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries to an ACO based on their utilization of primary care services."

In other words, the ACO will provide the bulk of beneficiaries' primary care services. By law, an ACO is to have at least 5,000 Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries assigned to it. If an ACO meets federal quality and efficiency thresholds, its participating health care providers may financially profit by sharing in the savings it achieves in caring for its assigned Medicare beneficiaries. While consortia of health care providers (including university hospitals and large clinics) have experimented with the concept, ACOs are still a work in progress.

Although Section 3022 specifies that the HHS Secretary shall assign fee-for-service Medicare beneficiaries to ACOs, the CMS Office of Legislation states, "Assignment will be invisible to the beneficiary, and will not affect their guaranteed benefits or choice of doctor. A beneficiary may continue to seek services from the physicians and other providers of their choice, whether or not the physician or provider is a part of an ACO."

Despite that assurance, Title III is not an academic exercise. It is creating payment models resembling managed care to replace traditional fee-for-service Medicare, which enrolls 77 percent of Medicare beneficiaries and reimburses 47 percent of America's practicing physicians. Unlike a fully transparent, patient-centered, "premium support" program—in which Medicare patients would control the flow of health care dollars to health plans and providers of their choice—Title III is "provider-centric" and bureaucratically supervised.

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# Free Press Big 12 Sports

Thursday, August 26, 2010

Special Section to the Manhattan Free Press and the Blue Rapids Free Press

## Cats Picked Third In Big 12 North Preseason Poll

IRVING, Texas - For the 11th time since in the inception of the Big 12 Conference, Kansas State has been picked to finish among the top three teams in the Big 12 North as the Wildcats have been tabbed third in the 2010 division race, according to the results of the annual preseason media survey conducted by the conference office.

The third-place ranking in the preseason poll is the highest for a Wildcat team since also being picked third prior to the 2007 campaign, while the last time it was selected higher than third was in 2004 when the Wildcats were tabbed to win the division.

The media chose an Oklahoma/Nebraska match-up for the 2010 Dr. Pepper Big 12 Championship, which will be held December 4 at Cowboys Stadium in Arlington, Texas, while Texas and Missouri were picked to finish second in their respective divisions. Kansas State, selected to finish fifth in the 2009 divisional race, returns a total of 40 lettermen and 15 total starters (5 offense, 7 defense, 3 specialists) from last season's 6-6 team that was one win shy of advancing to the Big 12 Championship game.

Kansas State will participate in the annual Big 12 Media Days on Tuesday before opening the 2010 season September 4 with a nationally-televised matchup with UCLA.

Tickets for the opener are going fast but excellent seating locations remain available. Both season and single-game tickets for the six-game 2010 schedule also remain on sale. All North End Zone season tickets have sold out, but bench seats are still available for just \$300 each. Faculty and staff can also purchase tickets starting at \$241 and enroll in payroll deduction.

To purchase tickets, contact the K-State Athletics Ticket Office at 1-800-221-CATS or visit [www.k-statesports.com](http://www.k-statesports.com). A copy of the 2010 ticket brochure, which includes all ticket prices and options, is also available online.

### 2010 Big 12 Preseason Football Poll (Media Vote)

#### North Division

1. Nebraska (26)	156
2. Missouri	125
3. Kansas State	79
4. Kansas	70
5. Colorado	61
6. Iowa State	55

#### South Division

1. Oklahoma (16)	146
2. Texas (10)	140
3. Texas A&M	97
4. Texas Tech	68
5. Oklahoma State	53
6. Baylor	42

#### ALL-TIME BIG 12 CONFERENCE VICTORIES (1996-09)

Texas	88
Oklahoma	80
Nebraska	75
K-STATE	66
Texas Tech	66
Colorado	58
Texas A&M	58
Missouri	52
Oklahoma State	49
Kansas	35
Iowa State	31
Baylor	14

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Kansas State running back Daniel Thomas has been named a preseason All-American.

## Thomas Named Preseason All-American

Kansas State running back Daniel Thomas garnered preseason All-America honors on Wednesday as the senior was named to the 2010 College Football Insiders Preseason All-America Third Team.

A Doak Walker Award candidate, Thomas was one of 10 Big 12 players named to the publication's first, second or third team squad.

Thomas, the 2009 Big 12 Offensive Newcomer of the Year, burst onto the scene in 2009 and led the Big 12 Conference with the fourth-highest rushing total in school history with 1,265 rushing yards and a league-high 11 rushing touchdowns. Thomas' 1,265 rushing yards ranked as the second-highest total by a K-State junior and he became the fourth-fastest player in school history to reach the 1,000-yard plateau in a season (10th game). His 105.4 yards per game ranked 21st in the nation and led the Big 12, while he also tallied five 100-yard rushing games, which were the most since James Johnson recorded five during the 2007 season.

The Hilliard, Fla., product was a versatile piece of the K-State offense in his first season with the Wildcats. His 128.9 all-purpose yards per game ranked fifth in the Big 12 and his 1,547 total all-purpose yards rank tied for 11th in school history for a single season. In addition to his all-purpose yardage, Thomas provided K-State with a "Wildcat" formation threat as the former junior college quar-

terback was 3-of-4 on pass attempts for 50 yards and a touchdown and one successful two-point conversion pass.

Thomas and the Wildcats will participate in the annual Big 12 Media Days on July 27 before opening the 2010 season September 4 with a nationally-televised matchup with UCLA.

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#### Thomas Named to Inaugural Hornung Award Watch List

Senior running back Daniel Thomas was named to the watch list for the inaugural Paul Hornung Award, the Louisville Sports Commission announced Tuesday.

The award recognizes the most versatile player in major college football as the 48 players on the watch list had a minimum of three different "touches" in 2009 – either catching, running, passing, return-

ing kicks, returning punts, holding for placements, tackling, defending passes or recovering a fumble.

Thomas was one of just three Big 12 players on the list as he was joined by Ryan Broyles of Oklahoma and Niles Paul of Nebraska.

The award is named after Paul Hornung, a Louisville, Ky., native, who was considered the most versatile player in the history of college football, winning the 1956 Heisman Trophy at quarterback for Notre Dame while also playing every position in the backfield during his career with the Irish. He also punted, kicked, returned kicks and played defensive back before a nine-year professional career that ended with a selection into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1986.

Thomas, who picked up his fifth preseason honor, led the Big 12 Conference last season with 1,265 rushing yards and a league-high 11 touchdowns. The 2009 Big 12 Offensive Newcomer of the Year recorded the fourth-highest rushing total in school history and the second-highest among juniors.

The Hilliard, Fla., product was involved in 34.4-percent (276-of-802) of K-State's offensive plays in 2009 as he rushed 247 times, caught 25 passes for 257 yards and was also 3-for-4 passing for 50 yards and one touchdown. A converted quarterback, Thomas also returned one kickoff for 25 yards and threw a pass for a successful two-point conversion.

Thomas and the Wildcats open

the 2010 season with a nationally-televised matchup against UCLA September 4. Fewer than 3,000 seats remain available as the Wildcats look to sell out the Second Annual K-State Family Reunion.

To order tickets for the season opener, or any of the six exciting home games in 2010, fans can call the ticket office at 1-800-221-CATS, visit the new and improved [www.k-statesports.com](http://www.k-statesports.com) or stop by the ticket office in Bramlage Coliseum.

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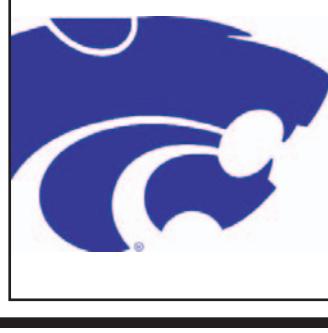
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Nebraska	31
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**Saturday, September 04**  
Missouri vs. Illinois FSN  
11:30 a.m.

Colorado vs. Colorado State  
The Mtn. 1:00 p.m.

UCLA at Kansas State ABC  
2:30 p.m.

Texas at Rice ESPN 2:30 p.m.

Washington State at Oklahoma State FSN 6:00 p.m.

North Dakota State at Kansas FCS 6:00 p.m.

Utah State at Oklahoma F S N PPV 6:00 p.m.

Sam Houston State at Baylor 6:00 p.m.

Stephen F. Austin at Texas A&M 6:00 p.m.

Western Kentucky at Nebraska 6:00 p.m.

**Sunday, September 05**  
Southern Methodist at Texas Tech ESPN 2:30 p.m.

**Saturday, September 11**  
Georgia Tech at Kansas FSN 11:00 a.m.

Idaho at Nebraska F S N PPV 11:30 a.m.

Colorado at California FSN 2:30 p.m.

Iowa State at Iowa ABC 2:30 p.m.

Florida State at Oklahoma ABC 2:30 p.m.

McNeese State at Missouri 6:00 p.m.

Wyoming at Texas FSN

Buffalo at Baylor FCS 6:00 p.m.

Louisiana Tech at Texas A&M 6:00 p.m.

Troy at Oklahoma State 6:00 p.m.

Missouri State at Kansas State 6:00 p.m.

Texas Tech at New Mexico The Mtn. 7:00 p.m.

**Friday, September 17**  
Kansas at Southern Miss ESPN 7:00 p.m.

**Saturday, September 18**  
Kansas State vs. Iowa State FSN 11:00 a.m.

Hawai'i at Colorado FCS 2:30 p.m.

Nebraska at Washington ABC 2:30 p.m.

Air Force at Oklahoma FSN

Baylor at TCU Versus 3 : 3 0 p.m.

Tulsa at Oklahoma State 6:00 p.m.

FIU at Texas A&M

San Diego State at Missouri 6:00 p.m.

Texas at Texas Tech ABC 7:00 p.m.

**Saturday, September 25**  
Central Florida at Kansas State TBA

Oklahoma at Cincinnati TBA

South Dakota State at Nebraska TBA

UCLA at Texas ABC TBA

Miami OH at Missouri 1:00 p.m.

Northern Iowa at Iowa State 6:00 p.m.

New Mexico State at Kansas FCS 6:00 p.m.

Baylor at Rice CBSC 7:00 p.m.

**Thursday, September 30**  
Texas A&M at Oklahoma State ESPN 6:30 p.m.

## Kansas State Wildcats 2010-2011 Football SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent / Event	Location	Time /	Result
09/04/10	vs. UCLA TV	Bill Snyder Family Stadium	2:30 PM	
09/11/10	vs. Missouri State	Bill Snyder Family Stadium	6:10 PM	
09/18/10	vs. Iowa State * TV	Kansas City, Mo.	11:00 AM	
09/25/10	vs. UCF	Bill Snyder Family Stadium	TBA	
10/07/10	vs. Nebraska TV	Bill Snyder Family Stadium	6:30 PM	
10/14/10	at Kansas TV	Lawrence, Kan.	6:30 PM	
10/23/10	at Baylor *	Waco, Texas	TBA	
10/30/10	vs. Oklahoma State	Bill Snyder Family Stadium	TBA	
11/06/10	vs. Texas	Bill Snyder Family Stadium	TBA	
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## Kale Pick Named Quarterback At Kansas

**Kansas Head Football Coach**  
Turner Gill

**On choosing Kale Pick as the starting quarterback**

"Kale Pick is definitely the guy who has earned the position. Once we felt we found a guy, who has earned it, then it's time, we didn't have a set time to do it. He (Kale) probably separated himself from the aspect of ball security which was huge. He didn't really turn the ball over there, Jordan (Webb) turned the ball over a few times and from that standpoint that was a big separation between the two, and then also the intangibles. I love the way that (Kale's) demeanor has been, not to say that Jordan Webb has not had a good demeanor but Kale Pick's has just been a little bit better as far as the intangibles and his demeanor in the huddle, outside the huddle and when plays are going well and when plays aren't going well, just how he's handled himself from that aspect of things."

**On the expectations of Pick's performance**

"I am very, very interested in seeing how the guy responds in a game. Of course in any position, but especially at quarterback, you don't know how a guy is going to respond even though he's played in a game and he's played in other positions. But until you're the guy and you're underneath that center and it all revolves around you, you don't know how he's going to respond. All the things are set there, that he will be able to handle that in a very good way and he'll be able to lift the play of all of our players."

**On the team's depth at the quarterback position**

"We feel very strongly that we have two, actually three good quarterbacks that can all play Division I football and lead this football team to victories, but as we all know at some point in time we do have to start only one quarterback and we feel that this is the perfect time for us to move forward, preparing for our first ball-game. The next thing is like I told all of our quarterbacks, Kale has to prove it on game day and we'll all wait and see how that goes from that standpoint."

**On Toben Opurum's position change from running back to linebacker**

"There's no set time period for Toben, we're going to take another good hard look at him for at least another week and hopefully by next Friday or so we can just see where he's at and how he's going along. It really may not be until the second or third game of



In 2005 Jordy Nelson scores for Kansas State against Kansas.

the year where he'll see a little more playing time. If we believe that he's unable to perform at the level that we want our linebackers to perform, then we'll kind of have to see where everything fits from that standpoint. We also have an option of another position or obviously he'll have an opportunity to be able to redshirt."

**On deciding who will be the team's starting running back**

"We're going to probably rotate some guys, again we're still evaluating some of the guys so things can change but there are still some things happening at running back and we just have to get some guys some more reps. We have to dwindle that down because you can't get four, five or six running backs reps and you can't see them improve and so that is why we aren't able to make that decision at this time."

**Sophomore quarterback Kale Pick**

On his feelings about being named the starting quarterback:

"It's definitely exciting. I'm glad that they made that decision, and I'm definitely looking forward to our season. I think we can do some pretty big things if we stay on the grind and keep working hard every day."

**On if he's talked to Jordan (Webb) since being named the starter:**

"I talked to him. He's obviously not happy (with being named the backup), but I wouldn't be either. It's tough."

**On how his teammates responded to the news:**

"They came out like it was a normal day. They're also fighting for positions; I'm not the only one, so I'm sure there were some people who were down seeing that they were a two (listed on the second team on the depth chart) and not a one. But it's up to the coaches, and that's the way it goes."

On if he's allowed himself to smile after getting the news:

"I definitely had a smile when I received the news. I'm excited and I think we're going to have a good season this year."

**Senior offensive lineman Sal Capra**

On the reason he was selected a captain:

"I think it kind of goes with this program. I've been here for five years and if you stay on the path of doing the right things, people respect that. I think people follow that."

**On if he was surprised to be named a captain:**

"I was a little surprised. There's a lot of great guys on the team that deserved to be captain but I guess I was one of those guys also."

**On Kale Pick winning the quarterback job:**

"Kale's a great guy. He's a great player. I think he can lead our team to great things this year."

**On his move from guard to center:**

"Actually, I played center when I first moved to (the offensive line)."

I played center the Orange Bowl year. I felt it was kind of a rocky year, moving to center and learning O-line from the get-go. This year I feel like I've matured as a football player and I can handle that spot."

**Senior linebacker Justin Springer**

On if he feels different being named a captain:

"I still feel like I expect the same thing out of me, but at the same time I've got to be more of a leader, talk to people more, be more of a vocal leader instead of being a little quiet all the time."

**On the difference between being a captain at KU and in high school:**

"I feel like it is different because it's on a lot bigger stage, more people, more stuff involved."

**On Toben Opurum switching to linebacker:**

"He's a physical guy. As a running back he was physical and he did pretty good today for his first day, so I'm looking for a big expectation from him. I think he gets to the ball real fast."

**Senior defensive end Jake Laptad**

On being named a team captain:

"Being named team captain is a big thing. I think now we've just got to step it up, lead more in practice and pick up the tempo a lot."

**On Kale Pick winning the quarterback job:**

"Kale's got good confidence out there. He's out there running the show. He went out and led the offense, and the quarterback is a leader out there on the field, too. I feel like he'll be a good leader for us this year."

**Senior running back Angus Quigley**

**On winning the starting running back job:**

"We all came out here and we pushed each other. It was a tough competition every day. That's what compelled me to work harder. When I would mess up, I would always know there's a guy right here at the same position as me that started here. I'm proud that I can be atop the depth chart at running back and I'll do everything in my power to be the guy that they think I can be."

**On improving as a pass blocker:**

"It kind of comes naturally now because I've done it for so long. It's like the line makes a mistake and I can correct it. It's just second nature to me. I guess that comes with maturity because it's a little hard to come in and learn pass protection because in high school I can't remember a time I ever pass protected."

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## Huskers Ready For Final Big 12 Season

Lincoln - Exactly two weeks away from its Sept. 4 season opener, the Nebraska football team went through a two-hour full-padded workout on the Ed and Joyanne Gass practice fields Saturday in Lincoln. It was the 18th practice of 2010 fall camp and included an hour of scrimmage work.

The Husker coaching staff continues to evaluate the progress of the quarterback position between senior Zac Lee, sophomore Cody Green and redshirt freshman Taylor Martinez. Nebraska has 11 practices remaining in fall camp.

"There is no timetable," Head Coach Bo Pelini said. "It's great competition. I see all three guys getting better. I think the picture is becoming a little bit clearer for us, but nothing has been decided yet."

Other news Saturday came in the form of the release of the pre-season Associated Press Poll. Nebraska checks in at No. 8 in the poll, one of three Big 12 teams ranked in the top 10, along with fifth-ranked Texas and No. 7 Oklahoma. Defending national champion Alabama was the pre-season No. 1 choice, followed by Ohio State, Boise State and Florida.

Although Pelini's goals and concentration are on the football field, the third-year head coach did note the importance of being in a good starting position and not having to work their way up the rankings throughout the season.

"That's always a positive," he said. "That's just something where I think people recognized we played pretty good football at the end of last year, but that really doesn't have a lot to do with where we are now and what we have to accomplish. It's really something that we're not in control of as a football team. All we can control is what we have to do on a daily basis, but it is a positive that we're up there a little bit higher than we have been in years past."



Remember this 2000 game between the Wildcats and Nebraska? Jonathan Beasley (18) and the Cats won 29 to 28 in Manhattan. (Photo by Ben Brake)

The No. 8 ranking marks Nebraska's highest in the pre-season AP poll since beginning at No. 4 in the 2001 listing. It also marks the first time the Huskers have been ranked in the AP pre-season top 10 since being ranked 10th to start 2002. The Huskers' appearance in the top 10 marks the first time NU has been among the top 10 AP teams at any time since being ranked 10th in October of 2003 after starting 5-0. Nebraska finished the 2009 campaign ranked 14th in the final Associated Press poll, NU's highest post-season ranking since finishing eighth in

2001.

"We have a lot of work to do," Pelini said. "That all takes care of itself. If we play good football, then we deserve it. Hopefully we can move up from there if we do what we're capable of doing."

Pelini addressed the injury situation, which includes junior cornerback Anthony Blue and sophomore linebacker Sean Fisher. Pelini does not expect either player to return in 2010 and has begun evaluating talent to replace Blue and Fisher on the defensive side of the ball.

"Obviously we feel bad for both those guys," Pelini said. "This is

Blue's second one in a year and a half. That's tough on him, but he's in good spirits. He'll have surgery next week. It's really deep back there (secondary) so that's not a big issue. At linebacker, we have Will Compton working in there, Lavonte David, Eric Martin, Matt May. We have a lot of options, a lot of interchangeable parts."

Pelini also added the status of tight end Dre Young. The senior will be undergoing back surgery and his status for the 2010 season is undetermined at this time.

## Iowa State Offense Is Looking Crisp

AMES, Iowa - Iowa State quarterback Austen Arnaud was all smiles after Saturday's Cyclone scrimmage in Jack Trice Stadium.

"The offense is light years ahead of where we were last year," Arnaud said. "It's not that we have added a lot more plays, just that we execute them better this season. I feel good about where we are right now."

Iowa State offensive coordinator Tom Herman says the efficiency of the offense starts at quarterback.

"We are improved in no small part because of (Austen)," Herman said. "He is playing with poise. I would not have been feeling as well if we couldn't move the ball on our second-team defense. What is most encouraging is the execution of our offense."

Iowa State head coach Paul Rhoads said his Cyclones look like a team that is in the last stages of pre-season practice.

"Everyone is a little leg weary right now," Rhoads said. "We have made excellent progress and our guys are ready for school."

The Cyclones will take part in Fan Fest Sunday from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the Bergstrom Indoor Athletics Training Facility. Student-athletes representing all 18 Iowa State sports will be at Fan Fest greeting Cyclone fans of all ages and hosting interactive activities for children.

School starts Monday. Iowa State opens the season Sept. 2 vs. Northern Illinois at 7 p.m. in Jack Trice Stadium.

AMES, Iowa - The Northern Illinois at Iowa State football game that will kick off at 7 p.m. CDT Sept. 2 from Jack Trice Stadium will be seen live on most Fox Sports Net affiliates across the country. Only Fox Sports Northwest and Fox Sports Rocky Mountain will not show the game live.

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**Thomas Named Preseason All-American**

Kansas State running back David Thomas has been named a pre-season All-American.

**ALL-TIME BIG 12 CONFERENCE FACTORIES (1996-09)**

North Division	South Division
1. Nebraska (26)	1. Texas (16)
2. Missouri	2. Texas Tech
3. Kansas State	3. Texas A&M
4. Colorado	4. Baylor
5. Oklahoma	5. Oklahoma State
6. Kansas	6. Baylor

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Team	Wins
Texas	37
Oklahoma	33
Nebraska	26
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Texas A&M	19
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## Hansen Named Colorado's Quarterback

BOULDER - The 2010 Colorado Buffaloes have a starting quarterback - Tyler Hansen. The athletic junior from Murrieta, Calif., was informed of the coaches' decision early Friday afternoon by offensive coordinator /quarterbacks coach Eric Kiesau.

Shortly thereafter, Kiesau told senior Cody Hawkins - a three-year starter at the position - that he would be Hansen's backup when the Buffs open the season on Sept. 4 against Colorado State in Denver.

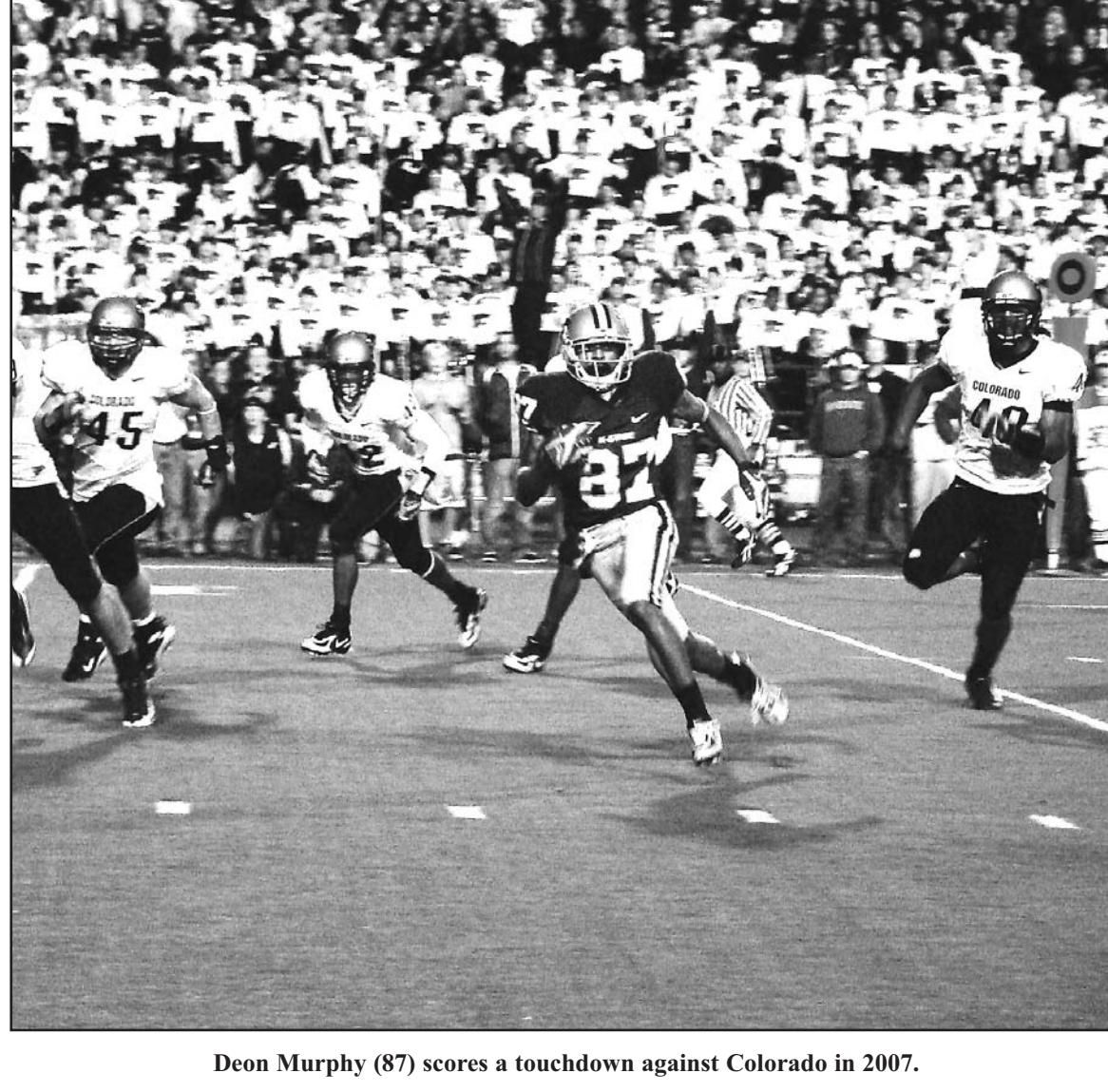
Kiesau also met with freshmen quarterbacks Nick Hirschman (No. 3) and Justin Gorman (No. 4). But only Hansen and Hawkins were told who the starter would be; the announcement was to be made to the rest of the team during Saturday morning meetings prior to the release of CU's pre-opener depth chart.

"I'm excited . . . it's something I've worked long and hard for," said Hansen, who started the final seven games of 2009 after supplanting Hawkins in early October. Hansen also emerged from spring practice with a slight edge over Hawkins and has directed the No. 1 offense through most of fall camp.

Still, with all those factors seeming to favor Hansen, the competition remained open through two fall camp scrimmages - the last of which was Thursday. The question of who would open against CSU became all-consuming for some CU fans, but Buffs coach Dan Hawkins held to the timeline he established when spring drills concluded in mid-April. At that time, Hawkins said he likely would name a starter two weeks before the opener, giving either Hansen or Cody Hawkins - both experienced players - significant practice time with the first offense.

"Tyler's been getting the majority of the 'reps' with the ones anyway," Dan Hawkins said. "I think people make too much of it; they don't really know what's going on or how it's organized or what's happening. It's not like you've got three quarterbacks and all are getting the same amount of 'reps.'"

Kiesau, about to begin his second season directing CU's offense, said the perceived delay in naming a



**Deon Murphy (87) scores a touchdown against Colorado in 2007.**

starter was based on being fair to each player.

"We wanted to give both guys ample opportunity to show what they can do - see if one guy could pull away from the other," Kiesau said. "I think we did that through spring and obviously through fall camp. I've said all along if one guy jumps out over the other, we'll make the decision."

"We met as a staff and I met with Coach Hawkins and we thought this is the best decision for the team - right now, today, to let our team know who our starting quarterback is two weeks prior to the first game. We didn't want this to continue hanging over our heads."

Kiesau and Dan Hawkins said both

quarterbacks posted similar statistics through fall camp practices and in the first two scrimmages.

"It was kind of like last year where Cody was ahead by a sliver, and right now Tyler is just ahead by a sliver . . . their numbers are so close (now) it's scary. But that's not everything by any means," Dan Hawkins said.

Said Kiesau: "Both were very efficient and distributed the ball in both of our scrimmages and all through camp."

But, Kiesau added, "I think Tyler gives us a little more of an edge when it comes to the things we can do on offense and being a little more creative. His athleticism, whether it's dropping back to pass and making something happen on his feet, or we

can dial up some run plays for him as well. He's athletic and can run. He's going to make defenses defend 11-on-11."

At best, the announcement came as no more than a mild surprise to either player. Hansen had said after the first fall scrimmage he believed the starting job "was his to lose."

Also, his role in organizing summer

7-on-7 drills honed his leadership skills. "And getting the majority of 'reps' with the ones during spring ball and camp, I think kind of jump-started the thing a little bit and gave me a little more of an advantage," he added. "No, it (being named the starter) wasn't a huge surprise."

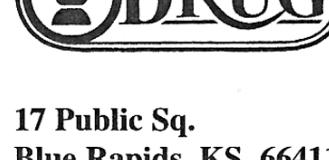
Nor was it a shock to Cody Hawkins, who conceded he had "kind of known for a while that was the situation. So I've had a little time to cope with it. You kind of settle into it . . . As a competitor you wish things would have gone in your favor. But just through charting and competing, I think it showed how efficient our offense is a whole and the talent and experience we do have at the quarterback position. We just have to settle in and go out there and play the way we do in practice."

He said he will "learn to accept my role, just as I did when I was a starter or when I was a redshirt. It's all about winning championships for the Buffaloes. I'm going to be ready if my number ever gets called, but until then I'm going to grind it out and try to get the Buffaloes some victories any way I can."

Even if a number of signs since April pointed in his direction, Hansen admitted the delay in making the announcement made him feel at times as if the No. 1 job was slipping away.

"There were some times when I was pressing a little," he said. "In early camp, I was playing really confident. Then maybe the last couple of days I was pressing, trying to be a little too fine. I just need to relax and play. But that's going to be natural when you're trying to win something you want so bad; you're going to press. But you just have to be confident and go play."

Kiesau also noticed "about a three- or four-day stretch where he did look a little tight and I had to talk and walk him through it," he said.



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## Griffin Leading Baylor

WACO, Texas - Seeing his first live game-type action at Floyd Casey Stadium since tearing the ACL in his right knee nearly 11 months ago, sophomore quarterback Robert Griffin III was an extremely efficient 17-of-21 for 183 yards and two touchdowns on Friday as the Baylor Bears went through their second scrimmage of the fall camp.

"Like I told coach (Art) Briles, for me personally, it was another notch on the progress line," said Griffin, who missed the last 9 1/2 games of the '09 season after earning Freshman All-America honors in 2008. "Being back here for the first time after tearing my ACL here was a big thing for me, mentally. I didn't come out here fired up, like, 'Let's go!' But for me, it was sentimental. I'm back on this field, and it felt good to be back out here."

Despite a lapse by the first-team defense on its final series - Nick Florence hit a wide-open Tevin Reese for a juggling, 43-yard TD grab on a third-and-long - Briles deemed the scrimmage an overall success.

"I think early, we really came out with a lot of focus, a lot of energy, executed well offensively and played good defense," Briles said. "(The defense) kind of wore a little bit there at the end. We also had some guys in there that are not considered starters right now up front. But they've got to get in there and apply pressure when they're in those situations."

Led by Griffin, the first-team offense was clicking right from the start, putting together an impressive 11-play, 73-yard scoring drive. A perfect 7-of-7 for 69 yards on the drive, Griffin hit Terrance Williams for 14 yards on a third-and-9 play, Laneair Sampson for 28 and then Sampson again for the 10-yard TD pass.

"I think we focused small," Griffin said. "The defense came out last week and was just moving around a lot faster than we were. But this week, we came out and we learned a lot from our mistakes, especially me. We put together a good drive and even converted a third-and-long situation. The momentum was just moving from there on our part, so that was good to see."

After the defense forced a quick three-and-out, it took Griffin's first-team unit just two plays to score

Ben Parks. Jones hit field goals of 29, 26 and 42 yards and was 2-for-2 on extra points, while Parks connected from 31 and 42.

Florence solidified his hold on the back-up QB job, hitting 10-of-17 for 149 yards and two TDs. With two of the starting offensive linemen out with injuries, the running game was not nearly as effective. Walk-on running back Evan Hearn led the way with 25 yards on seven totes.

Defensively, redshirt freshman end Terrance Lloyd wreaked havoc with three sacks and five total tackles. Linebacker Elliot Coffey and cornerback Clifton Odom added five stops apiece, while junior defensive tackle Nicolas Jean-Baptiste had two sacks among his three tackles.

"(Levi) had a really good day. He's had a good fall camp, so that wasn't surprising at all," Briles said. "Tevin Reese did well, not surprising at all. I would like to have had (fellow freshman receiver Antwan Goodley) get a catch or two, because he's really done well. But those guys have practiced hard and done well."

Other than Florence's 43-yard TD strike to Reese, the rest of the scoring came from kickers Aaron Jones and

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## Mack Brown Making Plans For This Year And Next

Opening statement: There's lots of decisions to be made over the next week, between now and next Monday, because you start looking at depth chart. It affects this year's team. It also affects next year's team. It affects injuries. It affects team morale and conditioning late in games. You're also looking at who do you play against Rice in 11 days? At 2:30 today it will be 11 days. If you might want to redshirt a freshman by the seventh game, do you play him in the first one? If you do, fans need to understand, you play one play, you're out. You're through. There's no room for margin to change your mind, except if a young man got hurt. We may not play some freshmen against Rice that might play in the third, fourth and fifth week, just simply because they're not ready, but we'll need them for the season. All of that is important to us. Then you have to talk to them about they're not really redshirting, because we don't redshirt until the seventh game of the season. You have to talk to them about talking to their parents when they come home about being embarrassed. "I was very highly recruited and I might not get to play." There's a lot of sitting and talking to kids individually between now and next week and obviously the Rice game.

How do all of the decisions that you're making right now with depth chart affect the special teams depth chart? If a freshman might play in the fourth game but not in the first one you've got to have special teams depth. Who do you work with for the next 10 days?

Also, if you've got a senior who's on four special teams and he's a starter and he gets worn out early in this heat, do you need to get him off of two of those and put a more fresh guy on there? You have to have two groups of special teams guys ready. If something happens and you're kicking in one area more than another you don't want to wear one group down. All of those things matter.

Right now we continue to look at schemes. You try some things in the spring. You try things in early camp. Now you're getting down as you decide who you're going to play, you also decide who you feature. Who is your best pass rusher? How do you get him on the worst blocker? Who is your best cover guy? How do you disguise but take the guy away man-to-man? Who do you want the ball in the hands of as a running back? Which receivers are the best combination? Can you find six? Who's your backup left tackle? A lot of those things we're going through at this time.

It looks like at this time Reliant has sold about 50,000 tickets for the Rice game. That's a great start. We're still hoping that Texas fans and Rice fans will rally and we'd love to sell it out for the opener. That's what we're hoping. It will be fun.

We will scrimmage at 6:00 on Wednesday night, because that's when we always have the end of the preseason scrimmage. Obviously there will be some Rice work going into that one. You try in preseason to look at what different things you will face in the first five ballgames. After Oklahoma we have an open date, then you start working on the next group with your open date because you have 10 days to two weeks to prepare for that. That will be our Wednesday night scrimmage. Then we will practice Thursday. We will have our women's clinic Thursday night. We will meet the kids for video at 6:00 on Friday morning. Give them off Friday afternoon, give them off Saturday, and have them meet back with us at 6:00 on Sunday night for a team dinner. Then we will practice at 6:00 on Monday morning. That will help us get them out of bed, but it will also separate early morning practice on Monday when they're coming out of preseason from the afternoon practice on Tuesday, because we have an extra practice that week because the opening game is like after an open date.

Saturday's scrimmage, I thought the energy was much better. It was a longer scrimmage. It was a more physical scrimmage. We were able to look at about every situation. We had coming off the goal line, we



Texas Stadium will be filled again this year for the last year of the Big 12.

had going in. We had goal line. Live best against best, we had one minute drill. We had game situations that came up. There were no turnovers by the offense, which is good. That scares you about the defense. You'd rather see turnovers forced. There was really good balance on offense with the run and pass. The defense did force five three-and-outs. The defense dominated the first part of the scrimmage, then the offense came back and did well. We did not have an injury in the scrimmage that will keep someone from playing against Rice. It was a great day for us in that we got a lot done and everyone came out healthy enough to continue to play.

Just some names of guys that have been very consistent in pre-season camp, because we will give you our depth chart next Monday. Offensively, Michael Huey, Kyle Hix have played really well at left guard and left tackle. They're coming off; it's obviously much easier to come from a three-point stance in the running game. It's much more difficult to pass protect, but much easier to come off in the running game. They've come on and had a great camp. Garrett Gilbert continues to have a great camp. We're pleased with Garrett. He's taking much better care of the ball every day that he's out there and learning his reads. All three running backs – Tre' Newton, Fozzy Whittaker and Cody Johnson – have played well. We have said that we knew what Tre' and what Fozzy could do. Cody has stepped up and he is in the mix. He is a factor as we're looking at every-down backs. We're excited about that.

The most consistent receiver has been James Kirkendoll. He has shown a burst. He has played at two positions on the wide side of the field. He's also playing X along with Malcolm Williams. He's catching the ball. He looks better right now than we've seen him look. We're really excited for him.

Offensively, we need to get better in the red zone and on the goal line before we play Rice. Wide receivers need to do a better job of getting off of press coverage. We are playing some young wide receivers, but in college the biggest difference in the wide receiver's life than it was in high school is the fact that you have to beat man-to-man every time to have a chance to get off against a good team, also, blocking down field. As we talked about before, offensive linemen do not cut in practice and scrimmages. The receivers do not cut in practices or scrimmages. We have to work really hard at trying to make sure that the receivers can transition from practice where they do not cut to blocking down field in ballgames, because it's very important.

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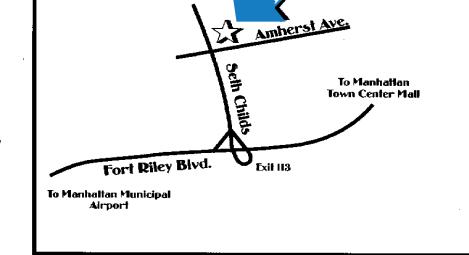
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