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Kansas State Quarterback Collin Klein (7) had a big game against Texas last season. He rushed for 127-yards during the game a K-State record for first-time starters.

Klein: "The Sky Is The Limit"

By Mark Janssen - K-State Sports Extra

Del Miller felt so certain about it that on K-State's Media Day, he said of the quarterback position, "Collin (Klein) will start the first game, and we really feel good about it."

Good about the position at the top, plus he added, "We have more depth than we've had in the past. It's very competitive for that second spot."

Klein, a 6-foot-5, 226-pound junior, started two games last year, which included guiding the Wildcats to a bowl-eligibility win over Texas when he rushed for 127 yards – a rushing record for a first-time K-State starting quarterback.

For the total season, Klein passed for 138 yards (11-of-18) with one touchdown and no interceptions, plus he rushed for 432 yards and a half-dozen scores.

As the Wildcats are in the midst of two-a-days, Miller says of Klein, "The sky is the limit for him. He's really turned into a strong leader for us. He has an impeccable work-ethic ... just unbelievable. At that size, he can really run, plus he has an arm that is really good."

Those outside the K-State program have questioned Klein's right arm, but Miller says, "What you saw last

year had more to do with what we were calling as opposed to what he was capable of doing. He has a really good arm by Big 12 standards, and he's worked hard with his mechanics. You give Collin something to correct and he's going to do it."

Competing for the backup role are Samuel Lamur (6-4, 221, Jr.) and Justin Tuggle (6-3, 227, Jr.).

"Both of those guys had good springs and will give us more depth than before," said Miller. "Samuel has been in the program for a while and has an understanding of what we want him to do. Justin has a tremendous work-ethic, and both have good size, good range and some athleticism."

Lamur's career has included stops at Independence Community College and Joliet Junior College with career totals of 37-of-92 for 265 yards. Last year in four games as a third-teamer, Lamur, who is the twin brother of Wildcat linebacker Emmanuel Lamur, hit all three of his passes for 28 yards.

Tuggle played in 2009 at Boston College before transferring to Blinn College last season. Last year, he passed for 2,015 yards and 17 scores, plus rushed for 733 yards and 12 touchdowns.

As for redshirt freshman Sam Johnson and true freshman Daniel Sams, Miller said, "I like what I see, but it will take time to learn our system."

TEAM MAKEUP
If one pencils through a potential two-deep, plus a few third-teamers, of Kansas State's roster, it's a collection of a bit of this and a dash of that.

On what could be considered the top 66 players, 37 come from the high school ranks, 24 are from community colleges and five are four-year transfers.

Of the prepsters, 24 grew up in the Sunflower State, while Texas (8), California (7) and Missouri (6) were the other recruiting hotbeds. Also represented on the projected two-deep are players from Oklahoma, Georgia, Florida, Colorado, Louisiana, Utah, Mississippi and Ohio.

COMING HOME
The four-year transfer list includes all Kansans who have

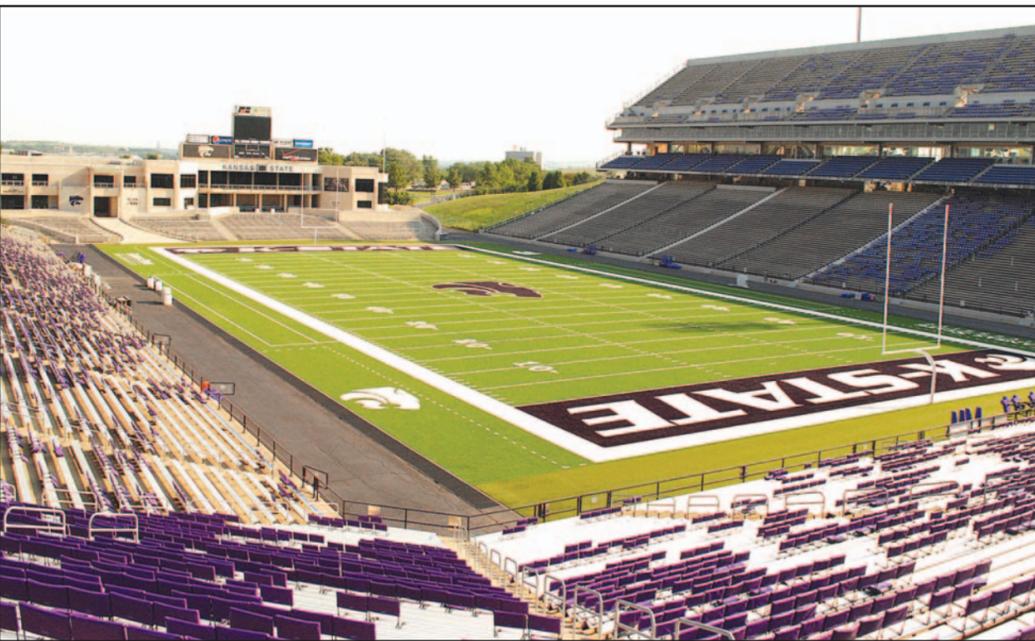
found their way home after exploring the outside world.

The list is comprised of Chris Harper (Wichita/Oregon), Brodrick Smith (Garden City/Minnesota), Arthur Brown (Wichita/Miami), Bryce Brown (Wichita/Tennessee) and Nick Puetz (Salina/Wyoming).

Looking back on his decision to go afar, and then return, Harper's words could easily come from any of the five: "A lot of it was me. I just turned 18 and thought I was grown," said Harper, a highly-recruited player out of Wichita Northwest High School. "I thought I would be all right, but I wasn't ready to be away from home. I realized that family's not all bad."



K-State Coach Bill Snyder at the pep-rally.



The construction is almost complete at Bill Snyder Family Stadium.

Losses Stifle Kansas Jobs

By Gene Meyer
Kansas Reporter

TOPEKA — Kansas' jobless rate remained stuck at an abnormally high 6.5 percent during July, despite a 1.4 percent increase in construction work during the month, the Kansas Department of Labor reported Friday.

Those gains were offset by a larger than expected seasonal surge in school layoffs as summer classes ended statewide. The labor report cited these layoffs as the largest contributor to a more than 8 percent cut in government payrolls in Kansas.

Such changes aren't surprising, said Devin Slimmer, regional manager of Paydayz Staffing Inc., a Topeka employment service.

"The jobs are out there, even if there are a lot of people still unemployed," Slimmer said.

What's different, he said, is the kind of jobs employers are trying to fill.

"We've got a lot of positions open for skilled labor," he said,

referring to jobs involving operating machinery and other work associated with manufacturing and distribution, which are coming back to life. "But management and upper-level jobs have pretty much disappeared."

Kansans lost 18,600 jobs in July, dropping the total number of jobs held by working Kansans by 1.4 percent from June, to 1.31 million, and pushing the state's unemployment rate to 6.7 percent from 6.3 percent a month earlier and 7.3 percent a year ago, the state Labor Department reported.

The biggest contributors to the surge in unemployment were a 21,000 job, or 8.1 percent, reduction in government employment due primarily to teachers and other school workers being laid off with the end of public school summer classes, and a 1,700 job, or 1.5 percent, drop in frequently volatile bar and restaurant hiring.

Kansas Profile: Now That's Rural - Dave Lewis Family

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

The farm boy drove the tractor across the field, working the land. As he drove, he listened to the radio and started to entertain himself by emulating the voices of the radio announcers. That experience on the tractor marked a connection with this family's rural roots as well as the beginning of a wonderful career.

Dave Lewis is a Riley County Commissioner and professional DJ and broadcaster. His father is Don Guthals. Don shared with me the history of this old tractor and its connection with his family.

Don was born south of Abilene in the rural community of Elmo, which isn't even on highway maps anymore. Today it has a population of perhaps 25 people. Now, that's rural.

But when Don was born, Elmo was an active community. It had lots of businesses, including an International Harvester farm equipment dealership and hardware store operated by Don's uncle and his father Louis. The business was known as Guthal Brothers.

"The key was that (Dad and my uncle) would help farmers get the equipment set right. Then Dad would go out to the farm and fix 'em when they needed it," Don said. That type of service made a big difference in growing the business.

According to a history of Elmo, during the 1930s, Guthal Brothers sold more tractors in one year than any other dealership in Kansas. One spring, the company sold 30 grain binders. Eventually the brothers went into farming full time.

Don grew up on the farm and went to McPherson College where he met his wife Helen. He later took counseling classes at Emporia State. They taught school for two years before coming back to Elmo to farm. Don spent the rest of his career farming and teaching at Hope High School. They were active in church and the Elmo community.

In 1948, Louis bought a new Farmall H tractor for \$1600. "We used it for practically everything, from haying to cultivating to sowing crops," Don said. "We even used it to check

cows that were calving at night because it had a spotlight."

Don and Helen had four children, of which the youngest son is David Louis Guthals. Dave used that Farmall H tractor around the farm, and even drove it to go fishing.

While working the fields, Dave started listening to the radio on the tractor and then emulating those radio voices. is His voiH

His voice developed into a rich, mellifluous tone. He started doing radio and DJ work when he went to Cloud County Community College and went on to a career in radio at stations around Kansas, using Dave Lewis as his on-air name.

In 1991, Dave joined Manhattan Broadcasting as an announcer and program manager, just in time for the 1993 flood. His tireless work in keeping the community informed through radio earned him numerous awards from the community. Dave is now the public address announcer for KSU football and basketball.

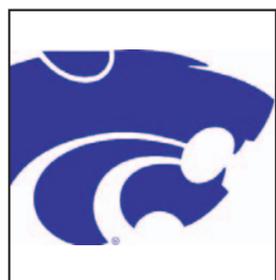
Meanwhile, Don and Helen retired from the farm. Dave asked for the old H tractor which he refurbished.

In November 2007, Don and Helen moved to a senior apartment complex in Abilene, but it is always tough for a farmer to leave the farm.

"We got our final load of stuff in the car, and I cried as I drove away from the farm," Don said. "So I turned on the radio and the first thing I heard was a K-State football game where they were saying, 'Now Dave Lewis will introduce the graduating seniors.' It made me feel better," Don said.

I only got to meet Don Guthals one time, on August 2, 2011. Exactly one week later, Don passed away from a sudden heart attack.

We commend Dave Lewis and his father Don Guthals for making a difference with their community service. In fact, Dave was so active in the Manhattan community that he was asked to chair the Manhattan-Riley County Sesquicentennial Committee. The committee put on a big parade to celebrate the event, and the sesquicentennial float was pulled by none other than Dave Lewis on his refurbished Farmall H tractor. Don had to be proud.



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Obituaries



Willis M. Horton

Willis M. Horton, age 96, of Manhattan, Kansas, died Friday morning, August 17, 2011, at the Stoneybrook Retirement Community in Manhattan.

He was born on January 14, 1915 in Wakarusa, Kansas, the son of Myron W. and Alice (Parrett) Horton. Willis was a 1933 graduate of Lecompton High School in Lecompton, Kansas.

For more than 20 years he was a self employed truck driver and from 1959 until his retirement in 1971, he owned and operated the Western Auto Store in Junction City, Kansas.

His leisure time was spent fishing, gardening, bowling and sports. He also enjoyed telling stories to family and friends. In addition to his hobbies he was a life member of the Lecompton Historical Society.

On November 23, 1938, in Lawrence, Kansas, he was united

ed in marriage to the former Helen E. Connole. She survives of their home in Manhattan. Also surviving is one son: Don W. Horton and his wife Bev of Dayton, Maryland; two daughters: Joyce A. Horton and Shirley J. Hemme and her husband Bob, all of Manhattan. One sister: Edna Walter of Tonganoxie, Kansas, four grandchildren, ten great grandchildren, one great-granddaughter and numerous nieces and nephews also survive.

Mr. Horton was preceded in death by one brother and two sisters.

The family received friends during a visitation from 2:00 until 3:30 p.m. Sunday, August 21, 2011, at the Yorgensen-

Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home.

Graveside services were held 11:00 a.m. Monday at the Mount Hope Cemetery, 4700 West 17th, in Topeka, Kansas with Ron Brown officiating.

On-line condolences may be left for the family through the funeral home website located at www.ymlfuneralhome.com.

Memorials have been established for the Lecompton Historical Society and for 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, Kansas 66502.

LaVerta M. Christopherson

LaVerta M. Christopherson, age 83, a longtime Ogden and Las Vegas, Nevada resident died August 17, 2011 at the Good Shepherd Hospice House in Manhattan.

She was born May 10, 1928, in Washington County, Kansas, the daughter of John Henry Sr. and Lela M. (Cummings) Gieber.

LaVerta graduated from Sacred Heart Academy in 1946.

She owned and operated a liquor store in Ogden, worked as a traveling manager for Mode O Day - Fashion Crossroads for 17 years, and

for Wal-Mart as a greeter and in fabrics in Vacaville, CA, Las Vegas, NV and Manhattan, KS for a total of 17 years.

LaVerta was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Ogden, KS, and the American Legion Auxiliary.

She was in a bowling league for 20 years, enjoyed crocheting, crossword puzzles, collecting Betty Boop memorabilia, country music, dancing and loved spending time with people.

On October 2, 1948, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Ogden, she was married to Harold M. "Chris" Christopherson. Chris preceded her in death on February 9, 2011. She was also preceded in

death by her parents, and four siblings: Doris Ray, LeRoy Gieber, Jake Gieber and Pauline Hanna.

Survivors include her son, Lance Christopherson and his wife Victoria of Las Vegas, NV; two siblings: Wanda Navarro and her husband Ray of Manhattan, and John Gieber, Jr. and his wife Marcy of Ogden; three grandchildren: Erin Christopherson, Jennifer Sayegh and Miranda Taylor; and one great-granddaughter, Adelina Sayegh.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 A.M. Friday, August 26th, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Ogden. Interment will follow in the St. Patrick' Catholic

Cemetery in Ogden.

A Christian Wake service will be held at 7:30 P.M. Thursday, August 25th, at the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Chapel. The family will receive friends from 6:30 until 7:30 P.M. Thursday at the funeral home prior to the Wake.

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

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Patrick's Catholic Church 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.



Myron Dale Nelson

Myron Dale Nelson, age 77, of Manhattan, died August 19, 2011, at his residence.

He was born October 24, 1933, in Manhattan, the son of Lawrence Nathaniel and

Theodosia Mae (Hays) Nelson, and had been a lifetime area resident.

Myron graduated from Manhattan High School and served in the United States Army. He was the manager of Doebele's IGA on 3rd Street and was the owner/operator of Doebele's IGA in Aggieville for many years. He later was a self employed carpenter prior to working 10 years as a carpenter for the State of Kansas at the Kansas Museum of History, retiring in 1998.

He enjoyed coffee daily with his friends, crossword puzzles, board games and was an avid Kansas State sports fan. He loved spending time with his family and attending the grandchildren's school and sporting events.

He was married to Mary Jean

Doebele in 1954. They later divorced.

Survivors include his two children: Michael Scott Nelson and his wife Carole of Parkville, MO, and Melanie Ann Berry and her husband Rick of Manhattan; four grandchildren: Lindsay Laupe and her husband Craig, Craig Berry, Christopher and Catherine Nelson; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Myron was preceded in death by his parents and one brother and two sisters: Lawrence Merle Nelson, Moyné McMaster and Morna Huser.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 A.M. Wednesday at the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Chapel with Reverend Kevin Larson officiating.

Interment with military honors will follow in Valley View Memorial Gardens Cemetery east of Manhattan.

The family received friends from 7:00 until 8:00 P.M. Tuesday at the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home.

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

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Homecare & Hospice, Inc., or 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.



Frank T. Bollig

Frank T. Bollig, age 78, of Manhattan, died August 21, 2011, at the Stormont-Vail Healthcare in Topeka.

He was born July 2, 1933, in Hays, Kansas, the son of Frank

and Mary (Bascall) Bollig. He graduated from the St. Joseph's Military Academy in Hays.

Frank was a plumber and worked for Powell Brothers for 30 years and then owned and operated Frank's Plumbing and Drain Cleaning for 20 years.

He was a member of Seven Dolores Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, and the Plumbers and Pipe Fitters Union # 441.

Frank enjoyed all sports, especially football, and loved spending time with his family and grandchildren.

On May 11, 1957, in Spearville, Kansas, he was married to Sarah "Jane" Tully. Mrs. Bollig preceded him in death on August 18, 2010. He was also preceded in death by

his parents and four brothers and four sisters.

Survivors include three children: Stan Bollig of Boise, Idaho, Sara Buller and her husband Steve of Ottumwa, Iowa and Jill Sol and her husband Tony of Wichita, KS; two sisters: Margaret Hazelton of Lake Havasu, AZ, and Clara Walters of Hays, KS; one brother, Marion Bollig of Hays, KS; and seven grandchildren: Sean Bollig, Eric and Mitch Buller, Greg Gieber, Katie, Kelley and Karin Sol.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be held at 2:30 P.M. Thursday August 25th at Seven Dolores Catholic Church with Father Joseph S. Popelka as Celebrant. Interment will follow in Sunrise Cemetery.

The family received friends from 7:00 until 8:00 P.M. Wednesday August 24th at the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home. A Christian Wake Service will be held at 8:00 P.M. Wednesday at the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Chapel.

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

Memorial contributions may be made to the Manhattan Catholic Schools. Contributions may be left in care of the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home, 1616 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, KS 66502.

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There's No Place Like Home



By Eunice Boeve
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Chapter 1

Worry and Fear

Jack jerked awake. Mr. Crawford stood beside Mollie's desk. He knew his twin had also fallen asleep, for her head was down on her arms, although her hair, as red as his own, hid her face from him.

"Mollie," Mr. Crawford said, and her head bobbed up, her eyes flying open. A few of the kids giggled and her face flushed with embarrassment.

They managed to stay awake the rest of the afternoon, but after class Mr. Crawford called them aside.

"I'm concerned about you two. You are both excellent students, but your grades are slipping. If this continues, I'll have to talk to your parents."

The twins looked at each other and then back at their fourth-grade teacher.

"We'll go to bed earlier," Mollie said.

Mr. Crawford sighed. "Well, run along now before you miss your bus. But if you ever want to talk I'm available."

They rode the bus in silence and in silence, walked the quarter mile from the bus stop to their old farmhouse. They wished they could tell Mr. Crawford how worried and sad and scared they were. *But, no way was he going to believe anything about a time machine.*

Ever since the night they had eavesdropped on their parents, they'd dreaded coming home. Every day they wondered if their old dog waited for them on the porch, his head on his paws, or if Dad had taken him to the vet to be put to sleep.

"Why do they say 'put to sleep'?" Mollie said.

"Because it sounds better," Jack said.

Their old dog, part collie and part



something else, used to meet them at the bus stop before he got so old and crippled. Now he could barely get up and down the porch steps, and if they had to move to Grandpa and Grandma's they couldn't take him, and at 15 he was too old to be adopted.

They had always thought it was so funny that Dad, who got him from the pound as a puppy, had named him Dog.

"A stupid name," Mom once said with a grin, "but it fits him."

Now, nothing was funny. Coming in sight of the house, the twins hardly dared breathe, but there he was in his usual place on the porch. Their book bags, bouncing, they ran up the porch steps and, as they knelt to hug him, silent tears fell on his soft, brown coat.

Each day that Dog lay on the porch, waiting for them, gave them hope that somehow the terrible, awful news they'd

heard in the night two weeks ago was no longer true.

Unable to sleep that night, they'd gone downstairs to find their parents still up talking and had stopped in the hallway to listen.

They knew it was wrong, and, afterwards, they wished they hadn't. But, as Grandma Andrews would say, "The cat was out of the bag. There was no stuffing it back."

Five years before they were born, their parents had moved from Kansas City to this farm outside Hays to build a time machine. They both worked part-time jobs so they'd

still have the time needed to build and perfect the machine. But that night the twins learned it had not been enough.

"We knew it would be a costly venture," they'd heard their dad say. "But not this costly. Maybe we should go back to working full-time jobs and try again in a few years."

"If we don't," their mother had said, "we'll lose the farm."

Their dad's next words had really startled them. "We'll have to borrow a truck and wait until after dark to move the time machine to a storage unit. Otherwise, the news media will be swarming all over us, wanting a story."

"And because it doesn't work yet, we'll be seen as a couple of weird kooks," their mom added.

The twins had looked at each other in horror. They could both imagine the kids' reactions at school; the teasing, the snickering, the outright laughing.

"If we just had a little more time," their dad had said.

"We can't hold out much longer." Their mom's voice had sounded sad. "I hate it for the kids. They've gone without so much. It takes all our time and money and we've so little left for them."

Her voice had softened. "They are such good kids. Some kids would be whining over not having the latest gadget, but they rarely complain."

"I don't know what to do next. We've sold everything we can." Their dad had paused before adding, "Our kids are the only things of value we have left."

With a snort of a laugh, their mom had said, "Well, we can't sell our kids."

"They wouldn't?" Mollie had mouthed to Jack.

"No!" he'd hissed. "Don't be stupid." *Of course she was being stupid. Mom and Dad loved them more than time machines or farms or anything.*

Then they'd heard the terrible, awful part. If they lost the farm, they'd have to go live with Grandpa and Grandma Andrews in Hutchinson. That would mean a new school where they wouldn't know anyone at all, and Dog... *What would they do with Dog?* Grandpa Andrews was very allergic to dog hair.

"We'll have to have Dog put to sleep," Dad had said, just like he'd heard their thoughts, "He's too old to be adopted."

"I feel like we're falling apart." Mom's voice had sounded raggedy like she was

trying to hold back tears. "I wish ..."

"I know, sweetheart," their dad's voice had also held tears.

Hearing those tears in their parents' voices had sent them scrambling back up the stairs to Mollie's room. Sitting on her bed they'd tried to talk away their fear. They'd both agreed that it was an awesome thing to have their very own parents discover the secret to time travel and build a machine that might one day take people back into time. But they couldn't help but wish they were more like regular parents.

They'd have their tenth birthdays next month and there were lots of things they wanted, although they wouldn't get much, and now, maybe nothing at all, but they couldn't help but want something, even if it wasn't much.

"It's not fair," Jack had said. "Mom and Dad have worked so hard and for what?"

Mollie had seen the anger spark in her brother's eyes, the exact shade of brown as her own, as he said, "We don't have anything like other kids have. And Dog ..."

"Don't say it!" Mollie had said, swallowing tears. "Just don't say it!"

To Be Continued.

This is an original serial story that is written and illustrated by two Kansas women. To learn more about them, go to their websites: www.euniceboeve.net and www.michellemeade.weebly.com

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Obituaries



Dorothea (Dee) Driggers

Dorothea Eloise (Dee) Driggers, 81, of Manhattan,

passed away Saturday, August 20th. Dorothea Stanford was born in Concordia, on December 21, 1929, the daughter of the late Irene Della (Fagan) and Melvin W. Stanford.

Dee graduated from Greenleaf High School in 1947 and was married to Paul Willbrant on June 20, 1948, they were later divorced, and he preceded her on March 16, 1979. Dee then married Cooper L. Harry Driggers on July 13, 1972 at McConnell Air Force Base in Wichita, he preceded her on May 10, 1979.

Dee had lived in

Washington, KS from 1948 to 1961 moving to Manhattan, then living in Germany from 1975-1978 when she and Harry moved back to Manhattan. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Manhattan, and the Officers Wives Association. Dee worked for KSU in the Biochemistry Department for 9 years and the American Institute of Baking - KSU for 2 years as a secretary and taste tester.

Survivors include a daughter, Paula Sue Willbrant, of Katy, TX; a son, John Willbrant and wife Jolyn, of Manhattan, a

brother, Kenneth R Stanford and wife Pat of Plainfield, IL and a grandson David Michael Willbrant. She was preceded in death by her parents, husbands Paul Willbrant on March 16, 1979, Cooper Harry Driggers on May 10, 1979 and a sister-Vivian Swiercinsky Corcoran on December 14, 1996.

Friends are invited to call on Tuesday from 5-8p.m. and on Wednesday from 8a.m. to 8p.m. with the family present from 7-8 p.m. at the funeral home. Funeral services will be held at Irvin-Parkview Funeral Home in Manhattan on Thursday, August 25th at

10:00a.m., with burial following at the Washington County Cemetery.

The family requests donations to Terry C. Johnson

Center for Basic Cancer Research-KSU. For more information or to send an email condolence visit irvinparkview.com.

Vt. Fisherman Hooks Salmon & Homing Device

BETHEL, Vt. (AP)

A Vermont fisherman who caught a 9.5-pound salmon captured something else, too — a homing device that ended up leading authorities to the illegally-taken fish in his freezer.

Fisheries biologists, who had previously put radio transmitters in Atlantic salmon migrating upstream to spawn, got suspicious when they saw a photograph of the 31.5-inch fish in a local newspaper. When one of the homing devices started

beaming signals from the town of Bethel, it led Game Warden Keith Gallant to Ryan McCullough.

"We actually think it was an innocent mistake," said Col. David LeCours, head of the Vermont Department of Fish and Wildlife. "But the problem is the fish is dead and it's our job to enforce the laws."

McCullough told investigators he thought the fish was a brown trout, not a rare Atlantic salmon.

He caught it July 25 in the White River, downstream from a federal fish hatchery. The fish had been originally tagged in the Connecticut River.

After catching the fish, McCullough had his picture taken with it. It was published by The Randolph Herald, which is where biologists saw the fish.

The salmon was one of two equipped with the tracking devices that biologists had been monitoring in the White River.

"It's very unfortunate because there's years of effort behind that fish and it has gone through quite an ordeal, and it came back and made it as a wild fish," said Ken Cox, a biologist with the Vermont Department of Fish and Wildlife.

"There's a lot we could have learned from that fish, (more) than as a trophy hanging up on a wall somewhere," he told the Valley News (<http://bit.ly/oxcvbd>). "There's no excuse for it, in my opinion."

McCullough has no listed phone number and couldn't be reached for comment Tuesday. His grandfather, Al Lawson of Windsor, said it was an honest mistake.

"He didn't have any idea it wasn't a brown," Lawson said. "He didn't realize what he had; 99.9 percent of fisherman in the

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Editorial

Heathens at the Gate: Homosexual Advocacy Group Protests Christian College in Kansas

Low-brow activity, dirty deeds done by daylight, these can only be the beginnings of the words needed to describe the strong-arm tactics of homosexual activists here in the state of Kansas. The gay advocacy group Flint Hills Human Rights Project, which has been on the losing end of a push to gay-ify the heartland, has decided to protest Christianity in a very direct fashion. As reported by Brad Domes in the Manhattan Mercury, members of the organization recently staged a protest at the Manhattan Christian College on enrollment day. Students attempting to enroll in classes at the Christian college had to wade through gay activists carrying homosexual advocacy signs and others from the organization offering students informational paraphernalia on the lesbian, gay, bi-sexual and transgender lifestyles.



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some and depicts the true nature of the homosexual push here in Kansas and across the nation. If we wish to bring some honesty to the discussion, the entire city of Manhattan as well as the state of Kansas are well aware of the homosexual agenda, as the recent city election of conservative Tea Party candidates brought about the repeal of an anti-discrimination ordinance alteration that created one of the most liberal ordinances in the country. The ordinance alteration, with its arbitrary and capricious impact on traditional Kansans, was a product of the strong-arm tactics of homosex-

ual advocacy groups here in the state. The gay community worked diligently to bypass citizens of Manhattan, Kansas, from having a voice in an ordinance alteration that would have an economic, social and cultural impact on the entire state.

In my interview on March 8, 2011, on the Conscience of Kansas radio program with Flint Hills Human Rights Project media representative Josh McGinn, I voiced my concern at his determination that Kansans outside the gay community should be left out of the decision-making process on how people should live in their own state. I made a prediction in that interview, which was proven true, that the bill alteration would be revoked. The basis for that prediction was based on my belief in two factors that encompass the overwhelming majority of the people of Kansas. First is that many of the people of the state, while very diverse, share a common belief in Judeo-Christian values. The anti-dis-

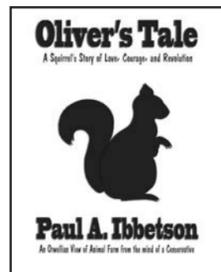
crimination bill alteration was a personal affront to these values. Second is the simple fact that Kansans don't like to be strong-armed, knocked about or pushed around. This is what the gay community was doing then and as recent facts show, this is what they are doing now.

Despite the "light and cheerful" spin given by organizational leaders, the protest at Manhattan Christian College was meant first and foremost as a strong-arm tactic against President Kevin Ingram and others within the college's administration who stood with the majority of the community in championing Christian values on this issue. This is bad enough as these individuals should have the freedom to stand for their values without persecution, but to protest Manhattan Christian College and heap homosexual propaganda on incoming students takes legal protest and drags it to levels of inappropriateness found in organizations such as the Westboro Baptist Church. It doesn't get much worse than

that. What we can see from the depths of such actions is an illumination of the truth in that some groups that claim victimhood are really ruthless bullies, and that some victories for conservative values are just battles won in a much more protracted war. What is certain, among the many uncertainties of this cultural war, is that those who refuse to get into the fray will find the gates of their communities crushed by marauders ranging from heathens to Hannibal. We can truly see that in this battle no quarter will be given, and no ground shall be treated as holy. If we are going to continue to keep Kansas a state of traditional Christian values we will have to continue to fight for it.

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Paul Ibbetson's new book is "Available at Amazon and the Manhattan Hastings Store."

Editorial Letters to Tom

Thank You For Your Service

Last Thursday I read an Associated Press article that asked the question -- "Are Military Pensions Too Generous?" Reading that headline took me back to the late 1960s and early 1970s when I began my military service. Back then those of us who chose to serve the United States of America as members of the Armed Forces were treated with disdain and paid accordingly. Then, the military was the bill payer for a government that allowed deficits to run amuck. If this article is any indicator, we are about to relive that sorry time.

In June, the Obama Administration told the Department of Defense that it would have \$78 billion reduced from its budget, not counting the costs of combat operations. These reductions will not be realized by cutting waste, fraud, and abuse. The money will be saved the old fashioned way -- by reducing readiness and sticking it to the men and women who serve and have served in our military. Readiness will be reduced by shrinking the size of the Army and Marine Corps, canceling

modernization of weapons systems, and cutting back on maintenance and training. Service members will pay the bill in higher TRICARE (retiree healthcare) premiums and the proposed plan to "modernize the military retirement system."

Modernizing the Military Retirement System was proposed on July 21, 2011 by a seven member Task Group of the Defense Business Board. The Defense Business Board is a private sector advisory panel that provides the Secretary of Defense with ideas on how to save money. Only two of the seven business executives on the retirement task group had served in the military (Captains, O-3).

According to the board's assessment, military pay is higher than that of average civilians, retiree healthcare is "significantly" more generous than civilian programs, and military retirement exceeds levels in the private sector. Who knew? Throughout my career we were told that military pay was not intended to match that of our civilian counterparts because that disparity was addressed in our retirement



Mike Kryschal

system. The board also found that the current retirement system is "unfair." Unfair, because personnel who serve less than 20 years get no retirement pay while those who serve 20 plus years are "endowed" with a lifetime benefit. They also believe that it is unfair because most of the troops engaged in combat serve less than 20 years and therefore get no retirement pay. Finally, they think it's unfair because there is no difference between those who have served in high risk and low risk positions. Not only is the military retirement system unfair, it is also a threat to future military war-fighting capabilities. Why? Because of inflation and retirees living too long.

If the board's recommendation is accepted, the unfair and unaffordable retirement system will be replaced with a "new defined contribution plan." This means that they want the current retirement plan to be replaced with a 401k type plan that consists of a mandatory Thrift Savings Plan based on the existing Uniformed Military Personnel Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) but with the government providing annual contributions. The plan would vest after 3 to 5 years and would be payable at age 60 or 65. The plan is dressed up with some goodies like payout options, transferability, and double contributions for years in combat zones but the bottom line is that it will accomplish savings for the government by ending military retirement as we know it.

I do not agree with the boards assessment on military pay, retiree healthcare, and the fairness of the current retirement system. When they compare pay they probably include all forms of compensation (PX, Commissary, MWR, etc.). Compensation other than pay looks good on paper but in reality it overstates military pay

because very few use all available benefits. I don't think that they would find many retirees who would consider TRICARE Prime as generous. Is the 20 year system unfair? No, it may be outdated but to claim it is unfair is a stretch. Requiring 20 years of service for retirement was a retention tool. A retention tool designed to keep good people in the military and to take advantage of their experience and training. If it is unfair then it is unfair to use years of service as a pay criteria. The experience these business executives bring to these studies is valuable, however they do not seem to factor in the fact that military service is not the same as a civilian job. They would do well to have a few senior noncommissioned officers on these boards!

The good news is that the board's recommendations have not been accepted - yet. Even if they are adopted they will not affect current retirees and may not be applied to active duty personnel - yet. The bad news is that this study and the article that asks if retirement is too generous are trial balloons sent up to see if these ideas can be sold to the general public. I

hope that civilians who read this will keep the faith with those who have dedicated their lives to defend your freedom. The best way to thank them for their service is to protect them from politicians and bean counters who want to send them back to the days when military families depended on food stamps.

Mike Kryschal, Colonel (Retired), United States Army, has a Bachelor's Degree from John Carroll University, Cleveland, Ohio and a Master's Degree in International Relations from Boston University. He served in the United States Army from 1972 to 1999. He was a platoon leader in the 25th Infantry Division, company commander in the 82d Airborne Division, battalion commander in the 1st Infantry Division, and brigade commander in the 2nd Infantry Division. He served in the 1st Infantry Division in Desert Storm. Since retirement, Mike has been an adjunct professor of history, political science, and leadership.

He lives in Manhattan, Kansas with his wife, Karen and their Siberian Huskies.

The Columbian Theatre Presents Irish Dancing Labor Day Weekend!

The Columbian Theatre, in Wamego, and the Foundation for Celtic Arts and Studies will present a free program of Irish dance and culture on Sunday, September 4, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. Doors open at 1:15pm. Seating is first come first served and is limited to 247 patrons.

The program will include soft shoe dances, figure dances, and the always exciting hard shoe dances and reels. All will be performed by champion Irish dancers. The program will include a discussion of Irish culture and the history of Irish dance. "Many people have seen Irish dance through Riverdance and similar productions," said the show's organizer, Mark Pottinger. "This is an opportunity for folks to see Irish dance live and to learn some of the history and background of the different steps

and styles," Pottinger said. The performers will field questions at the end of the show. There will even be an opportunity for those interested to learn an Irish jig.

Scheduled to perform are Mark and Katherine Pottinger of Denver. Mark is a Preliminary Champion dancing with the Bennett School of Irish Dance. He has competed at the Western Regionals, the North American Championships, and for the first time this year, at the World Championships in Dublin where he was the oldest solo competitor. Mark's daughter Katherine, 13, is an Open Champion with the Wick School of Irish Dance. Katherine has competed at the Western Regionals and the North American Championships, where she has

made it to the final round. Also slated are two other Denver based dancers, Anna Hopkins, 16, an Open Champion from the Bennett School and Meagan O'Brien, 15, a Preliminary Champion from Celtic Steps. Anna has competed at Western Regionals, and the North American Championships. Meagan has competed at the Western Regionals. Meagan is also part of a dance team that has competed at the North American Championships and the World Championships in the figures category.

Some of the performers have family connections in the area. Mark and Katherine are the grandson and great-granddaughter of Gilbert and Gladys Willie, longtime residents of the Wamego area. Anna is the granddaughter of Glenn and

Yvonne (Lamoreaux) Larson, of Waterville.

"We did this show at the Columbian several years ago. The venue was beautiful and

the crowd was fantastic. This show will have more performers and more numbers. We are excited to be returning," said Pottinger.

For more information call The Columbian Theatre at 785-456-2029 or visit www.columbiantheatre.com.

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Cities Mull Paying to Keep SRS Offices

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP)

Two more Kansas communities are considering whether to use local funds to keep the state's primary social services agency from closing local offices.

The Lawrence Journal-World reports Tuesday (<http://bit.ly/pIG5Ej>) that city officials in Fort Scott and Pratt were considering using local revenues to help pay rent to keep the state Social and Rehabilitation Services offices from closing, following the lead of Lawrence and Douglas counties.

"We have been in constant

contact with the SRS group trying to come up with some sort of resolution," Fort Scott City Manager Dave Martin said.

He added that it was difficult for the city to absorb the additional cost.

"We have a hard time throwing tax dollars at a state program," Martin said.

SRS officials announced earlier this year that it would close nine offices statewide in an effort to trim expenses amid tight state revenues. Services provided by the agency include foster care, family assistance, health care and administering food stamps.

Lawrence and Douglas County agreed to help offset the costs of office space by paying \$450,000 to keep the Lawrence office open for two years.

SRS announced this summer that it was closing offices statewide to save approximately \$1 million from the agency's budget. SRS plans to close offices in Garnett, Lyndon, Pratt and Wellington on Sept. 2, Coffeyville on Sept. 9, Marysville and McPherson on Sept. 16 and Fort Scott on Sept. 23, absent agreements with local officials in any of the communities.

"We are involved in continuing discussions with those communities," said SRS spokeswoman Angela De Rocha of talks with Fort Scott and Pratt.

In announcing the closure in Lawrence, SRS Secretary Robert Siedlecki Jr. said people served by the office could access assistance on the Internet or travel to SRS offices in other cities, including Topeka.

Lawrence and Douglas County residents, advocates for the vulnerable populations and local officials protested the decision to SRS before reach-

ing an agreement to use local funds to keep the office open. Some, however, said making the payment would set a precedent of shifting state costs to the local level.

Martin said he doesn't blame Lawrence and Douglas County officials for doing what they did.

Martin didn't blame Lawrence or Douglas County for their actions.

"What I'm frustrated with is the whole situation. The whole thing was not handled or evaluated correctly," he said of SRS' closure announcement.

Fort Scott is located in

Bourbon County along the Missouri border in southeast Kansas, one of the poorest regions of Kansas. Martin said the city would need to find \$84,000 to keep the Fort Scott office open for two years.

Pratt city manager David Howard said the city and county would decide next week to come up with \$65,000 SRS says would be needed to keep the local office open.

"Whether it's doable or not I don't know," Howard said. "Anytime you have to come up with additional funds, it causes problems."

Man Racks Up 6 DUI Arrests In SC In a Year

GREENVILLE, S.C. (AP)

A Greenville County man remains free on bond despite six drunken driving arrests in northwestern South Carolina over the past year.

Prosecutors say all of the charges from various law enforcement agencies are considered Warren Brooks' first offense because none have been resolved in court, so he has no convictions on driving under the influence. He repeatedly posted small bond amounts up to \$4,000.

"This is one of the most egregious cases that we've seen in a long time," chief Greenville County prosecutor

Walt Wilkins told WYFF-TV (<http://bit.ly/qz3QNF>). "Obviously, he has an issue with alcohol."

He said local judges are making bond decisions based on the information they have on the current charge.

Brooks' first driving under the influence charge occurred in August 2010. The second charge came in May. His third and fourth followed within two weeks. The fifth charge in June involved a hit-and-run, and he had to post higher bond amounts of \$25,000 for DUI and \$10,000 on the hit-and-run charge. The sixth DUI charge was in July, according to police

reports and court records.

Brooks was set to go to trial in June on last year's charge, but by that time, Wilkins' office became aware of the other charges. He tried unsuccessfully to revoke Brooks' bond.

Brooks' lawyer, Kim Varner, said he's never been in trouble before this string of charges.

"He is a very intelligent man," she said. "His life just spiraled out of control."

At an Aug. 5 hearing, Judge Charles Simmons allowed Brooks to remain out on bond, as long as he's not caught drinking alcohol and he provides Wilkins' office with doctor reports. Court documents

show Brooks is being treated for bipolar disorder.

Brooks' family took his vehicle away, so he's no longer a danger to the public, Varner said.

She acknowledged he also faces a DUI charge from last November in Las Vegas.

Wilkins said there are hundreds of unresolved DUI cases in his court circuit.

Such DUI backlogs are a problem in courts statewide. State Supreme Court Chief Justice Jean Toal ordered courts last spring to clear out their old DUI cases, as state troopers complained delays were keeping them in courtrooms and off

the highways.

If Brooks is convicted for DUI, subsequent convictions would bring increasingly stiffer penalties.

In 2008, legislators approved a law toughening sentences for drunken drivers. The changes tied a tier of penalties to the amount of alcohol in drivers' bodies, increased penalties for repeat offenders and closed some legal loopholes that critics said allowed suspects to escape punishment.

The blood-alcohol threshold is 0.08 percent. The additional penalties that took effect in February 2009 get harsher at 0.10 percent and again at 0.16 percent.

But any stiffer penalties first require a conviction.

Court scheduling conflicts are part of the backlog prob-

lem, Wilkins said. But he believes the state's DUI law is still too weak, allowing defense attorneys to bog a case down with motions. Challenges include the requirement that video recordings show a suspect's entire body during sobriety tests, and show the full reading of Miranda rights, he said.

"There are many cases where we can spend a day or day and a half just on motions with defense attorneys on a case that ought to take two or three hours to try," Wilkins said.

Abercrombie Asks 'The Situation' to Shop Elsewhere

NEW ALBANY, Ohio (AP)

Abercrombie & Fitch is offering to pay to Mike "The Situation" Sorrentino and his fellow "Jersey Shore" cast members so they'll stop wearing the brand on the show.

The clothing company says

in a news release posted Tuesday that it's concerned that having Sorrentino seen in its clothing could cause "significant damage" to the company's image.

Abercrombie says a connection to The Situation goes

against the "aspirational nature" of its brand and may be "distressing" to customers. The Ohio-based retailer says it has offered a "substantial payment" to Sorrentino and producers of the MTV show so he'll wear something else.

The company says it also is making the offer to others in the hard-partying cast.

An MTV spokeswoman did not immediately return messages for comment on Wednesday.

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has recently emerged as a major social concern. There are approximately 15% of children under the age of 18 living in families with incomes under the federal poverty threshold. If you happen to be a single mother, that number increases to 36.9%. Cultural and physical arts programs average annual participation cost are over one thousand dollars per child, making them generally inaccessible to our target group, socially and economically deprived children.

Participation in the arts can open a child's world and mind while teaching the skills they will need for a bright future.

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Hopeful Tomorrow is more than just a fundraiser. Working with local communities, we are partners in creating change for less fortunate children. Our goal is to build self-esteem, teach goal setting skills, create positive peer groups, promote asset development, provide children with positive activities, and a certified instructor to mentor and serve as a positive role model. To help children develop a positive self-image, gain confidence, build character, strength and the resilience they need to overcome the barriers they encounter on the way to the realization of their dreams and a Hopeful Tomorrow.

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Sen. Moran Asks Postmaster General To Justify Closing Rural Post Offices

Minimal savings is far outdone by the hardship to rural and senior citizens

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Senator Jerry Moran (R-Kan.) recently asked Postmaster General Patrick R. Donohoe to outline the justification for potentially closing rural post offices across the country when the Postal Regulatory Commission has indicated the projected savings would not come close to changing the financial outlook for USPS. Sen. Moran also pointed out that closing a post office simply because of revenue shortfalls is in violation of the United States Postal Code. The U.S. Postal Service (USPS) plays a vital economic role across Kansas, especially to those living in rural communities and to senior citizens who depend on walking to the local post office to get their mail.

"The Postal Regulatory Commission has found that maintaining rural post offices only amounts to 0.7 percent of the USPS's total budget," Sen.

Moran stated in a letter to the Postmaster General. "I believe reducing services to these communities will significantly impact rural citizens with little benefit to the Postal Service's bottom line. My constituents that will be most affected by these decisions would like answers."

Sen. Moran sent his letter in response to the recently-released list of 3,653 post offices being studied at the USPS to determine use and productivity. About 130 post offices across the state of Kansas are included on that list, and could be shut down.

Please find the full text of Sen. Moran's letter to Postmaster General Donohoe below:

August 10, 2011

Dear Postmaster General Donahoe:

Many post offices in my home state of Kansas and across the country are currently or will soon be studied for viability and profitability. Post

offices serve a vital economic role in many of the communities that I represent. While the service is important to communities across our country, it is extremely important for rural residents.

If the U.S. Postal Service is attempting to discontinue services in these communities because the post offices do not make revenues in excess of expenses, my concern is with the possible violation of Section 101(b) of Title 39 of the United States Code. This section states: "The Postal Service shall provide a maximum degree of effective and regular postal services to rural areas, communities, and small towns where post offices are not self-sustaining. No small post office shall be closed solely for operating at a deficit, it being the specific intent of the Congress that effective postal services be insured to residents of both urban and rural communities." Taking this into consideration, what is the justification for the USPS to close

rural post offices?

Additionally, it is to my understanding that the Postal Regulatory Commission has found that maintaining rural post offices only amounts to 0.7% of the USPS's total budget. If these communities do lose access to their post office, I would like to know how the resulting savings would ultimately impact the Postal Service's financial crisis.

I sincerely recognize the situation that the Postal Service is facing, but I believe that reducing service to these communities will significantly impact rural citizens with little benefit to the Postal Service's bottom line. My constituents that will be most affected by these decisions would like answers to the questions proposed in this letter. I look forward to your prompt response.

Very truly yours,
Jerry Moran

Kansas Area News Briefs

WICHITA, Kan. (AP)

Sustained high prices have been a boon to Kansas oil producers, but high natural gas demand and the resulting slide in prices have sent the gas industry in the opposite direction.

The Wichita Eagle (<http://bit.ly/nhXFu6>) reports natural gas production in Kansas has fallen every year since the early 1990s, while the state's oil production been rising ever since bottoming out in 2004.

"Oil is good; natural gas is not good at all," said Dick Schremmer, chairman of the Kansas Independent Oil and Gas Association.

Prices for oil are driving increased exploration, especially now with new hydraulic fracturing techniques in shale formations that are unlocking deposits previously out of reach.

Horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing are just now moving to the state. The high costs of production had kept those techniques out of Kansas, but high oil prices have sent producers flooding into the state looking for opportunities.

Several Kansas producers told The Eagle that a major oil company has even returned to the state for the first time in decades.

Kan. capital case to examine man's mental state

LYNDON, Kan. (AP)

Defense attorneys in a Kansas capital murder case are expected to raise questions in court this week about the sanity of a man accused of killing his estranged wife and three other family members, but the state has an unusual standard for determining when someone is too mentally ill to be held legally responsible for a crime.

The second week of James Kraig Kahler's trial begins Monday in Osage County District Court. He is accused of shooting his wife, their two

teenage daughters and his wife's grandmother the weekend after Thanksgiving 2009 in the grandmother's home just outside Burlington, a town of some 930 residents about 20 miles south of Topeka.

Kahler, 48, is a former city utilities director in Weatherford, Texas, and Columbia, Mo., who lost his job in Missouri amid a contentious divorce and moved back to Kansas in 2009 to live with his parents. His attorneys contend he snapped mentally because of the divorce and his wife's sexual relationship with a Weatherford, Texas, woman.

Kansas is among a few states in which jurors aren't asked to consider whether defendants understood at the time that their alleged actions were criminal. Instead, Kansas jurors consider whether an accused murderer's mental state kept him from forming the intent to kill specific victims and reflecting on actions he might take.

"Kansas does not have 'not guilty by reason of insanity,'" said Jeffrey Jackson, a law professor at Washburn University of Topeka. "Was he so lacking in his mental state that he did not intend to do what he did? That's kind of a squishy standard."

Prosecutors called the last of their scheduled witnesses Friday and are expected to formally rest their case Monday. They have argued that the killings were premeditated, and they are pursuing the death penalty.

Kan. woman medals at Senior Olympics

MARQUETTE, Kan. (AP)

A 58-year-old Kansas woman who dreamed as a child of being an Olympian has now achieved that goal.

Rhonda Lindstedt of Marquette earned a silver and bronze medal as a member of the Kansas women's softball and basketball teams at the U.S. Senior Olympics recently

held in Houston, according to The McPherson Sentinel (<http://bit.ly/qYMvlp>)

Lindstedt also is hoping to do well at the Kansas Senior Games this September in Topeka.

Last September, Lindstedt competed in her first Kansas Senior Games, earning gold medals in the 100, 200 and 400 meter runs and 1,500 meter race walk. She was also a member of the women's softball and basketball teams.

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP)

The demand for canola, best known for the cooking oil it produces, continues to rise and the industry is working to grow more of the plant in the U.S. to keep pace with increased sales.

Experts said the best hope for meeting demand is to grow a variety of canola that is planted in the fall and harvested in the spring, offering farmers in some regions a chance to make use of their land during a normally dormant period.

Most of the nation's canola crop is a spring variety, planted in the spring and harvested in late summer or early fall. About 90 percent of U.S. canola is grown in North Dakota, but by growing more winter canola, industry officials believe canola acres in the U.S. could more than triple.

"There is no reason we couldn't see 4 to 5 million acres planted from the Carolinas to the Great Plains," said Dale Thorenson, assistant director of the U.S. Canola Association.

Brian Jenks, a professor at North Dakota State University, said the country needs to keep pace with the growing demand for canola, which is seen as healthier than oils containing more saturated fat.

"We grow about 1.5 million acres in the U.S. and that is not enough to satisfy demand so we have to import a lot of canola from Canada," he said.

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