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# Kansas State Wildcat

# Sports

## K-State Opens Big 12 On Gameday

### K-State Sports Information

Kansas State, ranked as high as 13th in this week's national rankings, will open Big 12 Conference play on the road Saturday as the Wildcats travel to No. 5 Oklahoma in one of the nation's top matchups this weekend. Following a 3-0 start, K-State will look to improve to 4-0 on the season and win for the first time in Norman since 1997 Saturday as the Wildcats and Sooners do battle at 6:50 p.m. in FOX College Football's Game of the Week. Calling the national broadcast from Norman will be Gus Johnson, Charles Davis and Julie Alexandria.

A free live audio broadcast is also available on k-statesports.com and on SIRIUS satellite radio channel 92. Wyatt Thompson will call the action on the radio with Stan Weber providing color analysis and Matt Walters giving sideline updates.

Live stats will be also available through Gametracker, while Twitter updates -@kstatesports and @kstate\_gameday - and a live in-game blog will all be a part of k-statesports.com's gameday coverage.

K-State officials announced two weeks prior to the game that it was sold out, marking the fourth-straight season that a capacity crowd will be on hand for the season opener.

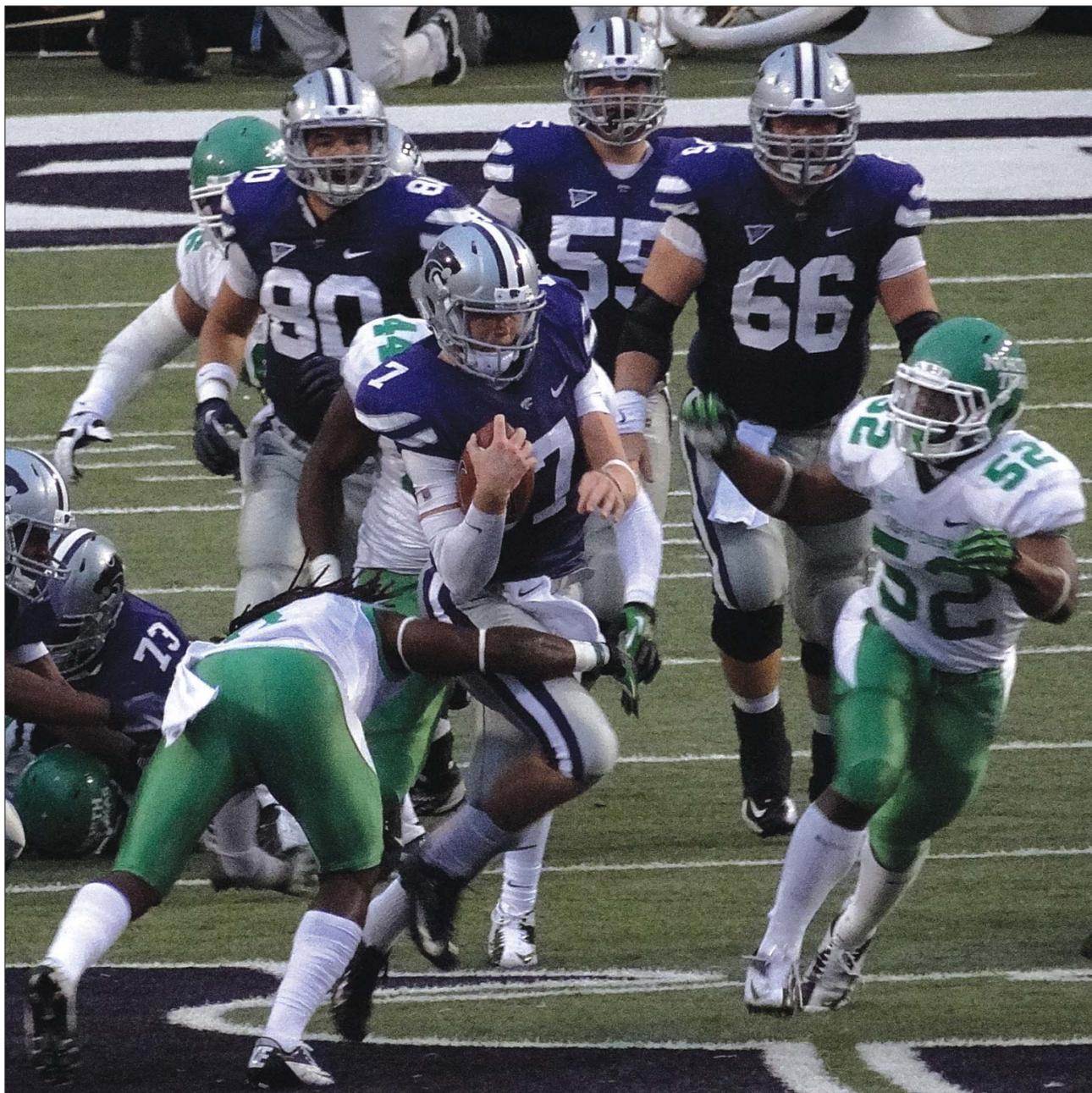
### A QUICK LOOK AT THE WILDCATS

Last week, K-State shrugged off a slow start to blow past North Texas, 35-21, in the squad's final non-conference tuneup of 2012. The Wildcats have shown balance on offense through three contests, averaging 251.7 yards per game on the ground and 203.0 through the air while also holding steady as the league's least-penalized unit at 14.0 yards per game - a figure that also ranks second nationally.

Quarterback Collin Klein continues to put up terrific numbers both through the air and on the ground as the senior connected on 15-of-20 passes for 230 yards and two touchdowns while also running for 85 yards and a score on 11 carries. Klein has completed 73-percent of his passes through three games this season, accounted for nine touchdowns and averaged 273.0 yards of total offense.

The Wildcat defense has been salty against the run, yielding just 93 yards per game on the ground, while senior linebacker Arthur Brown continues to put up All-America numbers. Through three games, Brown has a Big 12-leading 28 tackles and is coming off a career-best 13-tackle performance against the Mean Green on Saturday.

K-State continues to showcase one of the nation's top special teams units as the Cats lead the Big 12 in both kick and punt returns. The Wildcats have



Kansas State Quarterback Collin Klein (7) takes a hit against the Mean Green of North Texas. (Photo by Jon A. Brake)

scored on each so far through three games.

### A LOOK AT THE OPPONENT: OKLAHOMA

K-State will hit the road for the first time in 2012 on Saturday and in doing so will also face its toughest opponent of the season in No. 5 Oklahoma. The Sooners, coming off a bye week, are 2-0 on the year after early wins on the road at UTEP and at home against Florida A&M. Oklahoma has been led so far by running back Damien Williams and quarterback Landry Jones. Williams currently leads the league in rushing at 129.5 yards per

game, while Jones has thrown for 474 yards and four touchdowns in two games. Defensively, the Sooners have been stout against the pass, yielding just 110 yards per game. Oklahoma ranks fourth nationally in pass defense, third in pass efficiency defense and 10th in total defense heading into Saturday's matchup with the Wildcats.

### CONFERENCE OPENERS

Kansas State will make its first conference call of the 2012 season when the Wildcats travel to Oklahoma on Saturday. K-State, ranked third alltime with a 76-53 record in Big 12 play, is

8-8 overall in Big 12 openers since the conference's formation in 1996 and will be out to win its fifth in the last six seasons. The Wildcats have won three straight Big 12 openers after defeating Iowa State in 2009 and 2010 and No. 15 Baylor last season.

The Wildcats, 7-6 in Big 12 openers under head coach Bill Snyder, will open Big 12 play against Oklahoma for the third time since 2001, all of which have been games in Norman. Since 1997, K-State has opened Big 12 play away from Bill Snyder Family Stadium a total of 13 times.

### Lockett Named Big 12 Special Teams Player of the Week

Wildcat kick returner pushes K-State's Big 12-leading total to 11 honors since last season

Following his third career kickoff-return touchdown last week against North Texas, Kansas State kick returner Tyler Lockett has been named the Big 12 Special Teams Player of the Week, the conference office announced Monday.

It was the Wildcats' second honor in as many weeks as Collin Klein picked up the offensive award following his performance against Miami. Since last year, K-State has a Big 12-leading 11 league player-of-the-week honors, including three by Lockett. The Tulsa, Okla., product was also named the special teams player of the week fol-

lowing the Kansas and Oklahoma State contests last season.

Last Saturday, Lockett answered a touchdown by the Mean Green with a 96-yard return for a score on the ensuing kickoff, which propelled the Wildcats to a 35-21 victory. The return for a touchdown was the third in Lockett's career as he is now in sole possession of second place in the K-State record book and is two away from tying Brandon Banks' record of five (2008-09).

The sophomore also ranks second nationally among active players in career kickoff return touchdowns. He finished the night with 119 yards on two kickoff returns, while he also caught one pass for six yards. Lockett was joined by Texas quarterback David Ash (offensive) and TCU linebacker Joel Hasley (defensive) in earning weekly honors from the Big 12.

No. 13 Kansas State (3-0) hits the road for the first time in 2012 and opens Big 12 play at No. 5 Oklahoma (2-0) Saturday night at Memorial Stadium in Norman, Okla. The game, which kicks off at 6:50 p.m., will be shown to a national audience as FOX College Football's Game of the Week with Gus Johnson, Charles Davis and Julie Alexandria on the call. Additionally, the game will be shown by FOX Deportes, FOX's Spanish-language channel, while fans can also hear the action on the K-State Sports Network.

OFFENSE		VISITORS	
FIRST DOWNS	0		4
PASSING YARDS	0		38
RUSHING YARDS	0		34
TOTAL YARDS	0		72

With 2 minutes and 37 seconds to go in the first quarter, the score tied 7-7 the Mean Green had an advantage on the field. North Texas had 4 first down to 0 for K-State. North Texas had a total of 73 Total yards on the ground and in the air, K-State had 0.

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## Czech Festival Sept. 30

In recognition of the first anniversary of the dedication of the Partner City Flag Plaza located in the Manhattan City Park, the Manhattan Partner City Committee announces the inaugural Kolache/Czech Festival.

Manhattan's Partner City is Dobrichovice, Czech Republic. The flag plaza features the flags of Dobrichovice, the Czech Republic, City of Manhattan and the United States. It serves as a place to learn about Dobrichovice and the Czech Republic.

According to the festival chair, Dave Fiser, the festival will feature a rededication ceremony at the flag plaza including the singing of the national anthems of the Czech Republic and the United States. An address by Loren Peppard, Mayor of Manhattan and written message from Vaclav Kratochvil, past Mayor of Dobrichovice. Appearances by the Miss Kansas Czech Queen,

and the past and present Miss Czech/Slovak US Queens dressed in traditional Czech outfits. Comments from Manhattan's past Mayors with Czech Heritage, Dave Fiser and Ed Klimek will also be presented.

According to Ed Klimek, Chair of the Partner City Advisory Committee, the rededication will be followed by a celebration to be held at the John and Ruth Ann Wefald Pavilion and GTM Family Center in City Park. Guests and friends will be treated with Czech Food as well as Czech music and of course Kolaches...a favorite Czech pastry. Food will be served pot luck style. The Czech students attending K-State will be recognized.

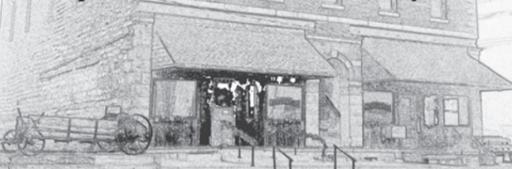
If you are of Czech heritage, or not...everyone is invited. The event will be held Sunday September 30 beginning at 4pm at the flag plaza in the Manhattan City Park.

## Band Day...



The Riley County High School Band took part in Band Day at KSU. Here they are in Aggieville.

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## Supper & A Show Will Be Held Sept. 28th

"Midwest Country" Performers to Appear in Manhattan Fundraiser, Sept. 28

A "Supper & a Show" event, featuring a home-style supper and a concert by RFD-TV's MIDWEST COUNTRY performers Tex & Mary, will raise funds for the Ashland Community Center, Friday, September 28.

The "Supper" portion of the event is by donation and begins at 5:30 p.m. Admission to the concert, which begins at 7 p.m., is \$7 per person.

Tex & Mary is a country duo often featured on RFD-TV's "MIDWEST COUNTRY" series. They travel across the country each summer performing at festivals, community concerts, resorts, RV rallies and other events.

"Traditional country and country gospel music bring back memories and get your toes to tapping," said Mary Schutz, "Concerts like this one are an opportunity for us to share our old-time country and gospel songs with those who

love this traditional style of music, but can't find it on mainstream TV or radio. Our instrumentation is all-acoustic and our program is a mix of old favorites, original tunes and fresh songs that share a down-home message in a new way."

Tex & Mary present their own "Miles of Memories Country MusicFest" that celebrates traditional country music each September in Hastings, Nebraska.

"Folks will enjoy Tex & Mary's lively banter, smooth

harmonies and special songs," said Manhattan-area fans Hazel and Don Sargent. "We're proud to assist in the presentation of this special program and invite everyone who enjoys country and gospel music to join us for an evening of good food, fun, music and fellowship."

The Ashland Community Center is located just north of McDowell Creek Road on County 424, also known as 32nd Avenue. Call 785-539-6700.

## Obituary's

### Terri Jean Gregg

Terri Jean Gregg, 56, of Manhattan, passed away in her home, Sunday, September 16, 2012.

Terri was born in Kansas City, KS on April 15, 1956, a daughter of Betty Barbara (Paxton) Cramer and the late Roger Ray Cramer. She grew up in Kansas City area, and attended the local schools, graduated from Washington High School in 1974. Received her bachelors degree in speech communication with a minor in English Literature and Sociology from Wichita State University. She moved to Manhattan in 1987. She was later employed at Farm Bureau Insurance in 1989, where she worked until December of 2011.

She became very active at The

Manhattan Community Theater for a short period of time. She loved to play her guitar, listen to jazz and blues music. She was very intrigued by the science and appeal of healing crystals. She enjoyed studying the Native American culture as well as listening to their native music.

Terri is survived by her daughter, Chrystal C. Gregg, of Leavenworth; two sons, Casey Tyler James Gregg, of Manhattan; Matthew Kyle Gregg and girlfriend Sasha both of Manhattan; two sisters, Toni, and life partner Brenda Cooper of Bellevue, WA; Michelle Ann Greenlee, and husband Terry Greenlee, both of Leavenworth, KS; two nephews, Ian Greenlee, and wife Brittany, both of Shawnee,

KS, Chad Greenlee, and wife Emylee, both of Kansas City, MO; a niece, Katie Su Cramer of Bellvue, WA; one great-nephew, Essien Greenlee of Kansas City, MO.

The funeral service will be held at at Irvin-Parkview Funeral Home & Cremation at 11:00am on Thursday, September 20th, with Pastor Jol Klein officiat-

ing. Interment is at Sunrise Cemetery in Manhattan.

The family has requested donations to Good Shepherd Homecare & Hospice house. Donations may be left in the care of Irvin-Parkview Funeral Home & Cremation.

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### Dale T. Lackey

Dale T. Lackey, age 63, of Manhattan, Kansas, died Friday, September 14, 2012, at the Good Shepherd Hospice House in Manhattan.

He was born on March 29, 1949, in Kingman, Kansas, the son of Ralph L. and Marjorie Z. (Varner) Lackey.

Dale was raised in Penalosa, Kansas where he attended local schools. He attended high school in Kingman, Kansas graduating with the class of 1967. Following his high school graduation he came to Kansas State where he earned his B.S. degree in Business Administration in 1972.

Following his graduation from college he managed Hartley's Floor Covering and Drape's in Manhattan and later co-owned the Decorating Center in Manhattan with Robert Lamborn. Upon the closing of the Decorating Center he became a self employed floor covering installer.

Dale was a member of the First Christian Church where he served on the church property committee. His love for music was reflected in his talent for playing the rhythm guitar, singing in the church Praise Band, and being the former lead singer and guitar player for the former Country Joy Band. Outside of his church and music, Dale enjoyed K-

State football and being a handyman around his home.

On August 14, 1971, in Atchison, Kansas, he was united in marriage to the former Ruth A. Henderson, she survives of their home. Also surviving is one daughter: Christi Sexton and her husband David of Huntsville, AL and one son: John D. Lackey of Manhattan. Also surviving is his brother: John L. Lackey and his wife Rhonda of Palm Bay, FL, and two grandchildren: Cara and Evan Sexton, both of Huntsville, AL.

Dale was preceded in death by his parents.

A Celebration of Dale's Life was held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, September 17, 2012, at the First Christian Church, 115 Courthouse Plaza in Manhattan. The Reverends Paul J. Allen, IV and Ben Duerfelt officiated. Private interment were held in the Sunrise Cemetery.

On-line condolences may be left for the family through the funeral home website located at [www.ymlfuneralhome.com](http://www.ymlfuneralhome.com).

In lieu of flowers a memorial has been established for the First Christian Church in Manhattan. Contributions may be left in care of the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home, 1616 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, Kansas 66502.



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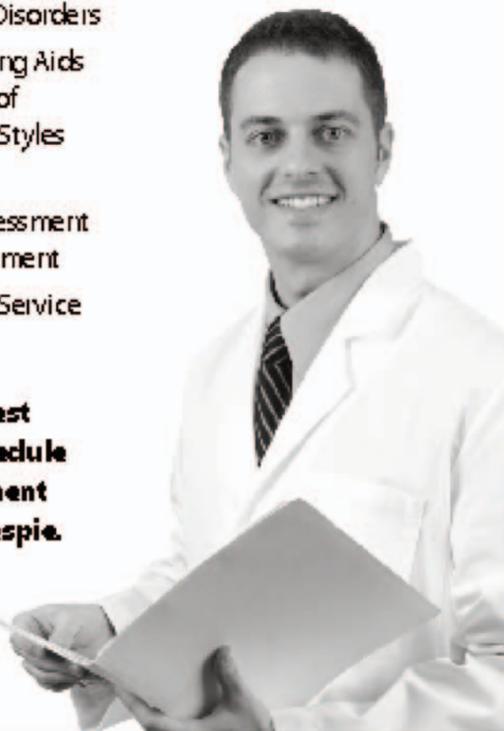
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# Free Press Second Front

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## City Commissioner Gives The Facts On The 1/2 Sales Tax

*(Editor's Note: The City Budget has increased from \$89 million in 2008 to more than \$120 in 2013. The City of Manhattan and Riley County want to continue the 1/2 Sales Tax passed in 2002. Both feel they need the extra money. Here is what Wynn Butler said.)*

By Wynn Butler

For the General Election on November 6, 2012, voters in Riley County will be asked to approve a continuation of the half-cent county-wide sales tax that is set to expire in December 2012. The City Commission approved Policy Resolution No. 082112-E on August 21, 2012, to establish the guidelines that will govern expending the City's share of proceeds from the sales tax renewal. Learn more from the documents below.

If the tax proposal fails, the sales tax in Riley County and the City of Manhattan will sunset. Sales tax rates will drop by 1/2 cent in January of 2013. If the tax passes it will result in the continuation of the current tax rate. If the proposal is successful it will not raise the current sales tax rate in the County or the City. While the tax is billed as a continuation of the previously passed 2002 sales tax the use of the revenue derived has been significantly altered from the 2002 formula.

The actual split on revenue if the tax passes will be approximately 33% to Riley County Roads, 2% to the smaller cities in Riley County, 23% to City of Manhattan property tax relief (Bond and Interest Fund) and 42% to infrastructure or economic development as determined for individual projects presented to the Manhattan City Commission. The approximate dollar amounts for the tax are 4 million dollars annual and 40 million over the ten year life of the tax. The dollar amounts are projected and could be higher or lower. Various presentations by the city and the county use different figures. The Chart below illustrates the actual split of a 4 million a year or 40 million over the life of the tax split.

Over the life of the tax a minimum of 9.2 million would be used to pay down the city debt. The revenue would most likely go into the Bond and Interest Fund. This would make a small contribution to the city debt which stands at \$279,893,298 as of August



The Manhattan City Commission at work.

2012. The 9.2 million is not going to make much of a dent in that astronomical number, but it is a start. Debt reduction can only be achieved if the City Commission goes back to the principle of no new bonds unless old bonds are retired. To get this debt down it will take restraint on future spending as well as a dedicated debt reduction revenue stream.

How the City Commission plans to allocate the 16.8 million dollars over the ten year life of the tax between economic development and/or infrastructure is nebulous to most of the voters. What does the resolution language passed by the City Commission really mean?

It means that 42% (1.68 million per year) of the tax could be used by the City Commission under the current economic development plan. Information on that plan can be viewed at the city website <http://www.ci.manhattan.ks.us/index.aspx?NID=265>.

It also allows the entire 16.8 million (over the ten year life of the tax) to be used for infrastructure projects. The City has not provided a list of possible projects. The reason may be that projects will far outpace the dollar amount possible. Over 108 million dollars in projects are listed on the CIP for 2013 to 2018. The Manhattan Regional Airport Expansion plan – terminal and runway repair has a price tag of approximately 50 million. Add plans to expand the City library 1.5 million and completion of the bicycle master plan for the city and it is clear that the 16.8 million dollars could be directed towards infrastructure in a single day.

Some split of the 16.8 million between economic development and infrastructure is a third possible outcome. The City Resolution on the tax did

not provide a percentage to allow for maximum flexibility. The idea being that future City Commissions should not be bound by constraints that fail to forecast future budget conditions.

If the 1/2 cent tax is continued at least \$155,250 per year will most likely go to economic development for ongoing projects. The 2014 city budget included the use of economic development funds to finance at least three items. Downtown Manhattan Incorporated, the K-18 project and what was listed as Administrative cost that is in reality part of the salary for one of the Assistant City Managers. So it appears as though three specific line items per year are already pre spent under economic development if the tax passes:

\$75,000 for K-18 project.  
\$42,750 for DMI  
\$37,500 to finance part of the salary of an assistant city manager to manage economic development projects/programs.

If the tax fails the \$75,000 to K-18 must still be provided. DMI and an assistance City Manager could be eliminated from the budget by the Commission. The 24/7 regional advertisement campaign was eliminated in the 2013 budget. The \$40,000 from that campaign was eliminated because it was an economic development funded item. This item would most likely go back into the budget if the tax passes. It appears that at least \$195,250 could be allocated on an annual basis for economic development ongoing projects or support of initiatives like DMI. If the tax fails all but the K-18 project could be eliminated.

At best on an annual basis the commission could allocate approximately 1.5 million dollars to infrastructure or use the

funds to further support the City's economic development policies. At present the City has not made public any initiatives to attract or bring additional business or organizations into the Manhattan area.

The voters need to look at the data. Evaluate the facts and determine the priority. The facts are that the proposed tax is split between the areas of County Roads, Smaller Cities, Manhattan Debt Reduction and Economic Development /infrastructure. The percent split is clear for three of the areas. The allocation of the funds between Economic Development/Infrastructure is flexible and based upon the future decisions of the Manhattan City Commission.

In November the voters will determine the priority – sales tax or property tax. George Washington's farewell address in 1796 provides a clear look at the tax question.

To facilitate to them the performance of their duty it is essential that you should practically bear in mind, that towards the payment of debts there must be Revenue; that to have Revenue there must be taxes; that no taxes can be devised which are not more or less inconvenient and unpleasant; that the intrinsic embarrassment inseparable from the selection of the proper objects (which is always a choice of difficulties) ought to be a decisive motive for a candid construction of the Conduct of the Government in making it, and for a spirit of acquiescence in the measures for obtaining Revenue which the public exigencies may at any time dictate.

## Kansas Election Law Upheld

Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach today prevailed in defending Kansas election law in federal court. Kobach personally argued the case with the assistance of Ryan Kriegshauser, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State and Legal Counsel.

Today the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit issued its decision in the case Constitution Party of Kansas, et al. v. Kobach (Case No. 11-3152). The court held that Kansas statutes related to minor party affiliation are constitutional. Additionally, the Tenth Circuit decided to "clarify the constitutional import" of Baer v. Meyer, a case from 1984 that set the threshold of voter support necessary to be tracked in voter registration lists.

Had the state not prevailed in this case, an immense

administrative burden would have been placed on the secretary of state's office. Instead, the state is spared having to track an untold number of political parties.

"I am pleased that the Tenth Circuit agreed that the law was on our side in this case," Kobach said. "This is a good decision that will allow my office to continue to efficiently administer Kansas elections."

By handling this case within the agency, Secretary Kobach saved state resources and ultimately obtained a judgment in favor of the State of Kansas. Secretary Kobach brings appellate experience to the Secretary of State's Office. He has argued cases in the third, fifth, eighth, ninth, and tenth circuits. Secretary Kobach also represented the State of Kansas in the Kansas redistricting case, Essex, et al. v. Kobach, et al.

## A Bad Problem Is Getting Worse

By: Dave Trabert, president of Kansas Policy Institute

As Randy Quaid's character in the 1996 movie Independence Day flew his plane into the alien spacecraft to destroy it, he shouted, "I'm baaaaaack!" That quote aptly describes the unfunded liability of the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System (KPERs), because it's not only back, it still has the potential to destroy local and state government budgets.

The latest valuation report released by KPERs in July shows that the 'official' unfunded liability went from \$8.2 billion to \$9.2 billion for 2011. Sadly, that's not the worst part. KPERs also acknowledges having another \$900 million in losses that won't be recognized for several years, so the market-value basis of the unfunded liability is \$10.1 billion. But even that is not the 'real' unfunded liability. The KPERs unfunded liability is based on a completely unrealistic investment assumption that says plan assets will earn an 8% annual return. The actual rate of return in 2011 on the market value of plan assets was less than 1% - incidentally, in January a leading pension expert told the California pension system to assume no more than 4 percent over the next decade.

A little over a year ago, KPERs said that a half-point reduction in the investment return assumption would add \$1.3 billion to the unfunded liability. On that basis, the 'real' unfunded liability with an assumed return of 6% would be \$15.3 billion; a 5% assumed rate of return would put the unfunded liability at \$17.9 billion. An analysis last year by The Pew Center on the States put the real unfunded liability at \$21.9 billion.

Each year that actual invest-

ment returns are less than 8% only puts more pressure on the system. Employer contributions are based on the assumed return rate; a high assumed rate of return means employers can contribute less money, which could lead to an even worse unfunded situation over time. An unrealistic investment return assumption also forces KPERs to make riskier investments in pursuit of higher returns, which makes plan assets subject to significant losses should the financial markets take a turn for the worse. One more episode similar to 2008's losses could even endanger retiree payments over time.

The legislative 'fix' that was approved earlier this year helped but there is still much more work to be done to ensure the viability of KPERs. The KPERs Board of Trustees should significantly reduce the assumed investment return rate, which would provide a more realistic picture of the long term financial challenge, prompt higher employer and employee contributions and allow investment officers to assume less risk.

Legislators must find the courage to ignore the intense political pressure from current employees to maintain benefits that are much higher than those received by most taxpayers. For starters, the formula for calculating future benefits should be reduced and lifetime retirement benefits should not be available until age 65.

These changes would still provide employees a good retirement benefit (which they deserve) and ensure that adequate funds are available to pay benefits.

Succumbing to political pressure to do nothing only risks bankrupting the entire system.

## Kansas Lawmakers, Including Judges Should Be Elected

By Bob Weeks

While many believe that judges should not "legislate from the bench," that is, make law themselves, the reality is that lawmaking is a judicial function. In a democracy, lawmakers should be elected under the principle of "one person, one vote." But Kansas, which uses the Missouri Plan for judicial selection to its two highest courts, violates this principle.

A recent paper by Kansas University School of Law Professor Stephen J. Ware explains the problem with the process used in Kansas. The paper is titled Originalism, Balanced Legal Realism and Judicial Selection: A Case Study and may be downloaded at no charge. The Kansas courts that use the judicial selection

described in the paper are the Kansas Court of Appeals and the Kansas Supreme Court.

At issue is whether judges are simply arbitrators of the law, or do they actually participate in the lawmaking process. Ware explains: "This realist view that statutory interpretation often involves 'substantial judicial discretion' and therefore constitutes 'judicial lawmaking, not lawfinding,' had by the 1950s, 'become deeply rooted.'"

A "'balanced realism,' to use Brian Tamanaha's appealing label, recognizes both that judges' policy preferences have little or no influence on many judicial decisions and that judges' policy preferences have a significant influence on other judicial decisions. Empirical

studies tend to support this balanced view." In other words, there is some role for ideology in making judicial decisions. Politics, therefore, is involved. Ware quotes Charles Gardner Geyh: "In a post-realist age, the ideological orientation of judicial aspirants matters." And the higher the court, the more this matters.

Since judges function as lawmakers, they ought to be selected by a democratic process. In the Kansas version of the Missouri Plan, a nominating commission dominated by lawyers selects three candidates to fill an opening on the Kansas Court of Appeals or Kansas Supreme Court. The governor then selects one of the three, and the process is over. A new judge is selected. This

process gives members of the state's bar tremendous power in selecting judges.

Ware presents eleven examples of judges on the two highest Kansas courts engaging in lawmaking. In one, a workers' compensation case, the employee would lose his appeal if the "clear" precedent was followed. Justice Carol A. Beier wrote the opinion. Ware explains:

But this is not, in fact, what Justice Beier and her colleagues on the Kansas Supreme Court did. Rather they did what Kansas Judges Greene and Russell say never happens. Justice Beier and her colleagues engaged in lawmaking. They changed the legal rule from one contrary to their ideologies to one consistent with

their ideologies.

Justice Beier's opinion doing this started by criticizing the old rule, while acknowledging that it was, in fact, the rule prior to her opinion by which the Supreme Court made new law. Here again is the above quote from Coleman, but now with the formerly omitted words restored and italicized: "The rule is clear, if a bit decrepit and unpopular: An injury from horseplay does not arise out of employment and is not compensable unless the employer was aware of the activity or it had become a habit at the workplace."

Who decided that this rule is "decrepit and unpopular" and so should be changed? Was it the Kansas Legislature? No, it was the Kansas Supreme Court.

It was judges, not legislators, who decided that this legal rule was bad policy. It was judges, not legislators, who changed the law to bring it in line with what the lawmaking judges thought was good policy.

Beier wrote in her opinion: "We are clearly convinced here that our old rule should be abandoned. Although appropriate for the time in which it arose, we are persuaded by the overwhelming weight of contrary authority in our sister states and current legal commentary."

The result: New Kansas law, made by people selected through an undemocratic process.

# The Conservative View...



## Over Easy... by Bob Strawn

Watching more Americans die day-after-day from Afghanistan to Libya is becoming nauseatingly familiar duty for Americans, at least for this one. Some loon produces a film that offends Muslims. An American embassy goes up in flames. Our ambassador to Libya and three others are killed. And politicians predictably blame, explain and pontificate. Yet nothing changes.



Bob Strawn

Hours before Ambassador Christopher Stevens was murdered, the U.S. Embassy in Cairo wrote that it, "condemns the continuing efforts by misguided individuals to hurt the religious feelings of Muslims - as we condemn efforts to offend believers of all religions." A rather strange take on the eleventh anniversary of the terrorist attack on America.

Even stranger though was Republican candidate Mitt Romney's immediate leap into the abyss, as he tried to take advantage of the ambassador's

death by pointing out the absurdity of the president's foreign policy initiatives, otherwise known as "leading from behind." At least, that's the way conservatives like to characterize the president's feckless attempts at managing the world stage. But no rallying behind the president on this one, boys. That would be far too statesmanlike.

Of course, the Democrats quickly respond that the Cairo message was not approved by the administration. "No one in Washington approved that statement before it was released and it doesn't reflect the views of the U.S. government." They teach a really fine course in "plausible deniability" at Harvard, you know. And Mitt Romney was nothing but an amateur for suggesting this latest attack on America was the result of the president's incoherent approach to nation building. Evidently, they believe voters might find Mitt a better nation builder and warrior than the liberal currently in control. So, the president goes on "60 Minutes" to explain how dumb he is - you can ascribe "he" to whichever of the two you wish. It's not at all clear to me.

Face it, my friends. This isn't and never has been a "War on Terror." These are for the most part fanatical thugs, not unlike drug cartels and mad dogs. George W. Bush called it a war and in so doing put unrealistic, unfair expectations on our military to defeat a shapeless, formless enemy. And the current president is little different than the last, commanding

us to fight the "good war" in Afghanistan. As if it is somehow better or more noble to die there than Iraq. And although he refrains from calling it a war, his militaristic approach and death toll are little different.

Yet, all that is clear to this point in time, for all that America has given, all that is truly clear is that we continue to spill American blood and treasure to an end game that no politician can define. Fathers and mothers across America mourn the loss of their boys and girls in service to our country. So, we give them a flag to wipe their tears. The debt continues to rise. So we tax the rich. But nothing over there actually changes. It's been going on for centuries. And no one here has the courage to say, "Stop the madness!" other than Ron Paul. And he's just an old fool, they say.

No, instead we debate the merits of leading from behind and political amateurism in hopes of capturing that last vote on November 6th, that puts us over the top. As if we aren't there already.

## Cost Of Wind Powere

By Mark Lisheran  
Texas Watchdog

AUSTIN — Imagine Washington policymakers one day proposing a spectacular renewable energy and jobs program, one that assigned a laborer equipped with a lovely Spanish-style but, of course, American-made, fan to every home.

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# KS: Democrats Looking For Donors To Show Them The Money

By Travis Perry  
Kansas Watchdog

OSAWATOMIE — Big elections mean big money, but not necessarily for Kansas Democrats. Fundraising for Kansas Republican congressional incumbents is as robust as ever, according to Open Secrets.org. GOP candidates so far this election season have raised more than \$5 million.

In contrast, Democrats — who have candidates in two of the state's four House districts — have not yet cracked

\$90,000.

Democrats failed to field candidates in 41 state legislative primary races in August.

Joan Wagon, Kansas Democratic Party chair, remained optimistic, noting that it's still the highest number of state candidates Democrats have posted in recent years. Republicans missed running in just five primary races.

"I think part of the difficulty in fielding candidates this year was magnified by the fact that boundaries changed so close to

the filing," Wagon said, referring to state redistricting maps released only days before the primary filing deadline. In a number of cases, she said, the party had little to no time to find state candidates.

Clayton Barker, executive director for the Kansas Republican Party, said he wasn't surprised Democrats had difficulty finding candidates and financial backers. He said Kansas' reliably conservative tilt means Republicans have a deeper bench from which to

choose, and fewer candidates equates to fewer donors.

The Democrats' "collapse of congressional recruiting" surprised him.

"This is the first time in at least 40 years that they have no serious candidate," Barker said. "I think they're maybe at a historically weak point right now."

Bob Beatty, a political science professor at Washburn University in Topeka, said the Democrats' struggles are just part of a larger challenge

caused by a lack of political star power in Kansas government.

Figures such as former governors Kathleen Sebelius and Mark Parkinson, as well as former Attorney General Paul Morrison, garnered a reasonable amount of popularity and

favor with the general public, Beatty said. As they left the realm of Kansas politics, they took a bit of the Democrats' influence, too.

"They haven't recovered from that, and it's going to be hard to," Beatty said. "There's no doubt it's going to be reflected in something like fundraising."

Contact Travis Perry at [travis@kansaswatchdog.org](mailto:travis@kansaswatchdog.org), or follow him on twitter at [@kansaswatchdog](https://twitter.com/kansaswatchdog).

# Chamber To Host Candidates

The Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce will host a non-partisan Candidate Forum on Monday, October 8th from 5:00 – 9:00pm at the Manhattan Arts Center. The forum is free to attend and open to the public.

All candidates running for Riley County Commission and area State races have been invited to attend and will all have the opportunity to answer questions from the moderator

and public. Participants will include candidates running for the following races:

Riley County Commission Districts 2 & 3;

Kansas House of Representatives Districts 51, 64, 66 & 67 and

Kansas Senate District 22. Additional elected Riley County officials not involved in a campaign will also be in attendance.

"Candidate forums are an

excellent opportunity to become more familiar with the people who are running for area offices", said Lyle Butler, President/CEO of the Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce. "I encourage everyone to attend and become better informed about the candidates and their views on issues affecting the Manhattan and Riley County communities."

The forum will be broken

into three sections, with the County, House and Senate races each having a specific timeframe. People interested in attending may stay for the entire event, or chose to come only for the race(s) they are interested in learning more about. The event will begin at 5:00 with a meet and greet session including all candidates running in the above mentioned races.

# County Minutes

Barnard, County Extension Agent; Craig Cox, Assistant County Counselor; Paul Foltz; and Bob Boyd, attended.

C. Collins said the temporary exhibit "Forces: The Shaping of Manhattan, Fort Riley, and Kansas State University" opened at the Flint Hills Discovery Center, 315 S. 3rd Street, Manhattan, on September 7, 2012 and will run through January 13, 2013.

C. Collins said this exhibit explores some of the ideas, events, and issues that influenced these three places: a town, a military post, and a college; from each of their beginning about one hundred and fifty years ago to the beginning of World War II. Over fifty objects and over sixty photographs from the Riley County Historical Society and Museum collection are featured in the exhibit.

C. Collins said the exhibit was developed in partnership by the Riley County Historical Museum; U.S. Cavalry Museum, Fort Riley; Environmental Division, DPW, Fort Riley; Historic Costume and Textile Museum, College of Human Ecology, Kansas State University; Morse Department of Special Collections, Kansas State University Libraries; and the Flint Hills Discovery Center.

C. Collins said Thursday, September 13th she will lead a walking tour of historic downtown Manhattan. The tour will begin at 6:00 p.m. from the Courthouse Plaza. This tour is part of the educational program offered in conjunction with the new Flint Hills Discovery Center exhibit "Forces: The Shaping of Manhattan, Fort Riley, and Kansas State University." The walking tour

is free and everyone is invited to come and explore our local history as reflected in our historic buildings.

C. Collins said Sunday, September 23rd at 2:00 p.m. William D. Keele will present "Hurrah, Frei Kansas! Germans Struggle Against Slavery in Kansas Territory, 1854-1861" at the Manhattan Public Library. This Kansas Humanities Council program is free and everyone is invited to attend.

C. Collins said the program is co-sponsored by the Riley County Genealogical Society and the Riley County Historical Society. William Keele is a Professor of German at Kansas University. He will discuss how Germans participated in the "Bleeding Kansas" period, their involvement in the territorial constitutional debates, and their participation in the Union Army as the Civil War began.

C. Collins said the Kansas Humanities Council is a non-profit cultural organization promoting understanding of the history, traditions, and ideas that shape our lives and build community.

Garcia reported the Kansas State Fair kicked off Friday with 11,489 entries.

Garcia discussed Kansas State Fair activities.

Garcia discussed the positives for families joining 4-H. Garcia said on October 20, 2012 at Pottorf Hall there is a 4-H project kick-off.

Garcia said the 4-H Garage Sale is next week Friday, September 21st from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, September 22nd 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. at Pottorf Hall in CiCo Park. Garcia said donations can be made.

Lund announced that the

new CiCo Dog Park is now open to the public. Lund stated it is north of Wells Arena in CiCo Park.

Barnard reported this is national food safety month. Barnard said Extension does have food safety publications available to the public.

Barnard said Serve Safe Training is available October 23, 2012 for food service employees and November 13, 2012 for manager level training.

10:00 Eileen King, Treasurer Maura Wery, Manhattan Mercury; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Lyndal Nyberg, League of Women Voters; and Rod Harms, attended.

King presented monthly financial reports.

King said on Friday, October 19th she is hosting the County Treasurers' Association Meeting and wanted to know if the county treasurers could park in the parking lot on the west side of the Courthouse Office Building King stated about 20 spots would be needed.

The Board stated they would like to think about King's request.

10:15 Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services

Administrative Work Session

Rod Harms; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; and Lyndal Nyberg, League of Women Voters, attended.

Holeman stated the contract with the indigent defense panel is completed.

Holeman said he will meet with the landlord for the Law Library to see if we can rent

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month to month until the Law Library is moved to the Manhattan Public Library.

Holeman said he has been reviewing with Cindy Volanti the draft revised Personnel Policies. Holeman stated the department heads are reviewing the policies.

10:26 Alvan Johnson returned to the meeting.

The Board agreed by consensus to deny the request to reserve parking spaces for the County Treasurers' Association on Friday, October 19, 2012.

10:29 Lewis moved to adjourn after the County Officials Luncheon. McCulloh seconded. Carried 3-0.

12:00 County Officials Luncheon

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## Riley County Commission Minutes

**The Board of County Commissioners Of Riley County, Kansas**

The Regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners met at the Riley County Plaza East Building August 30, 2012 with the following members present: Alvan Johnson, Chair; Dave Lewis, Vice Chair; Karen McCulloh, Member, and Rich Vargo, County Clerk.

8:30 Public Comment & Business Meeting

Ron Wells; Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Gary Rosewicz, Assistant County Engineer; Craig Cox, Assistant County Counselor; and Bob Boyd, attended.

Shepek stated the 2013 budget brochures are available to the public and on the website.

Rosewicz said the projects on Alert Road and Mineral Springs have been delayed.

McCulloh moved to approve a Certification of Unpaid Fees and/or Charges for Utility Services on Property Located in Riley County, Kansas for 11105 High Ridge Drive, Manhattan, Kansas in the amount of \$778.80. Lewis seconded. Carried 3-0.

Cox presented the tax foreclosure case contract for attorneys.

Lewis moved to approve the Contract for Attorney's Fees with Attorney Gabriela A. Vega of Vega Acosta Law Firm, Chtd. Manhattan for a Riley County tax foreclosure case. McCulloh seconded. Carried 3-0.

The Board of County Commissioners signed Riley County Personnel Action Forms for the following:

Jill Evans, for a promotion, as an Appraiser III, in the Appraiser's Department, at a grade K step 3, at \$18.22 per hour, effective September 1, 2012 (satisfied final class requirements through PVD to obtain Appraiser III position).

Laurie Cox, for a promotion, as an Appraiser III, in the Appraiser's Department, at a grade K step 3, at \$18.22 per hour, effective September 1, 2012 (satisfied final class requirements through PVD to obtain Appraiser III position).

Joetta Glessner, for a promotion, as an Appraiser III, in the Appraiser's Department, at a grade K step 3, at \$18.22 per hour, effective September 1, 2012 (satisfied final class requirements through PVD to obtain Appraiser III position).

McCulloh moved to approve the following warrant vouchers for August 31, 2012:

2012 Budget	
County General	\$421,995.54
Health Department	
Teen Court Collected Fund	43,687.65
	147.30
Court Technology	
	7,395.00
Juvenile Intake Case Mgr	760.00
Riley Co Juvenile Service	

	1,975.91
21st Jud Dist Teen Court	760.58
Riley Co Adult Services	5,443.79
Capital Improvements Fund	1,045.70
Emergency 911	3,718.21
Solid Waste	6,029.73
County Building	13,482.57
RCPD Levy/Op	5,961.92
Riley Co Fire Dist #1	14,737.14
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Carson Sewer Benefit Dist	138.94
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Moehlman Bottoms	194.78
Valleywood Operations	70.15
Terra Heights Sewer	318.98
Konza Water Operations	875.17
Special - 32 High Meadow St	328.62
Special - 26 Driftwood Stre	327.57
Special - 25 Lakewood Str	438.43
TOTAL. . .	\$531,076.69

Lewis seconded. Carried 3-0.

Lewis moved to approve "Policy Changes" for employment practices liability coverage part - claims made coverage with Scottsdale Indemnity Company. McCulloh seconded. Carried 3-0.

Lewis moved to approve the minutes of August 27, 2012 as amended. McCulloh seconded. Carried 3-0.

Volanti said in the past Riley County has granted 2 hour administrative leave for retired employee funerals. Volanti said a retired Public Works' employee has passed away and several employees will be attending the funeral.

9:00 Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services Administrative Work Session

Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Gary Rosewicz, Assistant County Engineer; Bob Boyd; Ron Wells; Maura Wery, Manhattan Mercury; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; Monty Wedel, Planning/Special Projects Director; Lyndal Nyberg, League of Women Voters, attended.

Wedel discussed MPO Options 2 and 4a financial allocations. Wedel said in map 4a in which Fort Riley is included our allocation increased from 6.18% to 12.12% which substantially increased our share.

Wedel stated adding Fort Riley's numbers to Riley County is problematic since the MPO does not provide any jurisdiction on Fort Riley roads. Wedel suggested not including Fort Riley in the numbers or if the state requests the Fort Riley numbers we keep the percentages the same.

The Board agreed to send a letter to the other governing bodies on the MPO allocations. 9:07 Lewis moved that the County Commission recess into executive session on potential litigation for the purpose of consultation with an attorney for the County

Commission which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship, an exception to the Kansas Open Meetings Act, the open meeting to resume in the County Commission Chambers at 9:17 a.m. McCulloh seconded. Carried 3-0.

9:17 Johnson moved to go out of executive session. McCulloh seconded. Carried 3-0.

No binding action was taken during the executive session. Holeman said the Riley County legislative conference will likely be scheduled in early December.

9:30 Dennis Peterson, Noxious Weed Director Bid opening for herbicides Bob Boyd; Ron Wells; Lyndal Nyberg, League of Women Voters; Maura Wery, Manhattan Mercury; and Laura Monsanto, KMAN, attended.

The Board of County Commissioners opened bids for herbicides. Lewis moved to refer bids to staff for evaluation and recommendation. McCulloh seconded. Carried 3-0.

9:45 Frank Beer, Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce Bob Boyd; Ron Wells; Lyndal Nyberg, League of Women Voters; Maura Wery, Manhattan Mercury; Mel Van Der Stelt; Eileen King, Treasurer; Ray Burns, Asphalt Supervisor; Gary Rosewicz, Assistant County Engineer; and Laura Monsanto, KMAN, attended.

Beer presented the Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce 2012 Legislative Policies and Positions.

McCulloh stated the document is well written.

McCulloh said Riley County is very concerned with the machinery and equipment exemption, which passed the House of Representatives last year. McCulloh said the fiscal note of the legislature for only five small counties was loss of \$42,000,000 in exempt property values.

Beer discussed the local vendor preference to support the local community.

10:10 Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/ County Engineer

Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Ron Wells; Lyndal Nyberg, League of Women Voters; Maura Wery, Manhattan Mercury; Mel Van Der Stelt; Ray Burns; Gary Rosewicz, Assistant County Engineer; Greg Lund, Parks Supervisor; Cindy Volanti, Human Resource Manager/Deputy Clerk; and Laura Monsanto, KMAN, attended.

Hobson stated there are a couple of options in replacing the Assistant Public Works Director/Parks Director.

The Board of County Commissioners directed staff to look at what other counties are doing.

Lewis stated one of the NACo sessions he attended was on combining departments and divisions and we should explore this as a method of cutting cost.

Lund said he has worked with the Parks Board budget and planning.

10:34 Lewis moved to adjourn. McCulloh seconded. Carried 3-0.

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8:30 Public Comment & Business Meeting

Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Ron Wells; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer; Cindy Volanti, Human Resource Manager/Deputy Clerk; Rod Harms; Lori Hughes, Hamm Quarry; and Bob Boyd, attended.

Hughes, with Hamm Quarry, introduced herself and asked the Board and staff to contact her with any questions on

aggregate sales.

McCulloh moved to sign the Real Estate Tax Roll Correction for the United Methodist Campus Ministry at KSU, Inc. (211-12-0-40-02-004.00-0) for tax year 2011. This results in a decrease in tax dollars of \$13,533.44. Lewis seconded. Carried 3-0.

McCulloh moved to sign the Real Estate Tax Roll Correction for A Maplewind Community, LLC (251-12-0-10-31-001.00-0) for tax year 2011. This results in a decrease in tax dollars of \$625.98. Lewis seconded. Carried 3-0.

McCulloh moved to sign the Real Estate Tax Roll Correction for A Maplewind Community, LLC (251-12-0-10-31-002.00-0) for tax year 2011. This results in a decrease in tax dollars of \$966.28. Lewis seconded. Carried 3-0.

McCulloh moved to sign the Real Estate Tax Roll Correction for A Maplewind Community, LLC (251-12-0-40-02-001.00-0) for tax year 2011. This results in a decrease in tax dollars of \$1,146.74. Lewis seconded. Carried 3-0.

McCulloh moved to sign the Real Estate Tax Roll Correction for A Maplewind Community, LLC (251-12-0-40-02-002.00-0) for tax year 2011. This results in a decrease in tax dollars of \$643.80. Lewis seconded. Carried 3-0.

McCulloh moved to sign the Real Estate Tax Roll Correction for A Maplewind Community, LLC (251-12-0-10-32-006.00-0) for tax year 2011. This results in a decrease in tax dollars of \$1,151.94. Lewis seconded. Carried 3-0.

McCulloh moved to sign the Real Estate Tax Roll Correction for A Maplewind Community, LLC (251-12-0-10-35-002.00-0) for tax year 2011. This results in a decrease in tax dollars of \$987.20. Lewis seconded. Carried 3-0.

McCulloh moved to sign the Real Estate Tax Roll Correction for A Maplewind Community, LLC (251-12-0-40-01-001.00-0) for tax year 2011. This results in a decrease in tax dollars of \$615.56. Lewis seconded. Carried 3-0.

McCulloh moved to sign the Real Estate Tax Roll Correction for A Maplewind Community, LLC (251-12-0-10-35-003.01-0) for tax year 2011. This results in a decrease in tax dollars of \$3.30. Lewis seconded. Carried 3-0.

Lewis moved to approve a payroll voucher in the amount of \$13,808.17 for September 7, 2012. Johnson seconded. Carried 3-0.

Lewis moved to accept the only bid for Riley County Benefit District asphalt overlays submitted by Shilling Construction Company, Manhattan, Kansas in the amount of \$298,990.00. The funding for this project will be paid for by the lot owners in the following four paving districts: Terra Heights subdivision \$90,750.00

Lakeview subdivision \$99,425.00  
Stony Brook subdivision \$57,175.00  
Vista Acres subdivision \$51,640.00  
McCulloh seconded. Carried 3-0.

Lewis moved to approve the minutes of September 6, 2012 as amended. McCulloh second-

ed. Carried 3-0.

9:00 Rich Vargo, County Clerk Maura Wery, Manhattan Mercury; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; Ron Wells; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer; Rod Harms; Lyndal Nyberg, League of Women Voters; and Bob Boyd, attended.

Vargo presented year to date budget and expenditures report.

9:15 Cheryl Collins, Museum Director

Maura Wery, Manhattan Mercury; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; Ron Wells; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer; Rod Harms; Lyndal Nyberg, League of Women Voters; Corina DeHugo, Curator Registrar; Allana Saenger, Curator Designer; and Bob Boyd, attended.

C. Collins said since September 2010, the Riley County Historical Museum has been working with the Historic Costume and Textile Museum, College of Human Ecology, KSU; Morse Dept. of Special Collections, KSU Libraries; U.S. Cavalry Museum, Ft. Riley; Environmental Division DPW, Ft. Riley, and the Flint Hills Discovery Center on a featured exhibit "Forces: The Shaping of Manhattan, Fort Riley and Kansas State University." This exhibit explores some of the ideas, events, and issues that influenced these three places: a town, a military post, and a college, from each of their beginnings about one hundred and

fifty years ago to the start of World War I. The exhibit will open at the Flint Hills Discovery Center September 7, 2012 and will run through January 13, 2013. Over fifty objects and sixty photographs from the Riley County Historical Society and Museum will be in this exhibit. The Riley County Historical Museum is developing a companion website with related information, photographs, and stories. The website is available at [www.rileycountyks.gov/museum](http://www.rileycountyks.gov/museum) and through a QR code. C. Collins said they will continue to add material though the run of the exhibit.

DeHugo discussed the processes the Museum staff went through in developing the exhibits for the Discovery Center.

Saenger stated it was good working with the Discovery Center staff and building the relationships.

C. Collins stated Saenger has built a website for educational pieces on the Discovery Center exhibits.

9:25 Alvan Johnson left the meeting.

9:30 Press Conference Maura Wery, Manhattan Mercury; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; Ron Wells; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer; Rod Harms; Lyndal Nyberg, League of Women Voters; Corina DeHugo, Curator Registrar; Allana Saenger, Curator Designer; Kristen Garcia, County Extension Agent; Greg Lund, Parks Supervisor; Ginny

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# Free Press Big 12 Sports

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## 2012-2013 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent / Event Location	Result/Record
09/01/12	vs. Missouri State	51-9 1-0
09/08/12	vs. Miami	51-13 2-0
09/15/12	vs. North Texas	35-21 3-0
9/22/12	at Oklahoma * Norman, Okla.	TBA
10/06/12	vs. Kansas * Bill Snyder Family Stadium	
TBA		
10/13/12	at Iowa State * Ames, Iowa	TBA
10/20/12	at West Virginia * Morgantown, W.V.	
TBA		
10/27/12	vs. Texas Tech * Bill Snyder Family Stadium	
TBA		
11/03/12	vs. Oklahoma State * Bill Snyder Family Stadium	
11/10/12	at TCU * Fort Worth, Texas	TBA
11/17/12	at Baylor * Waco, Texas	TBA
12/01/12	vs. Texas * Bill Snyder Family Stadium	
TBA		

## Big 12 Standings

Team	Big 12 Record	Over All Record
Kansas State	0-0	3-0
Texas	0-0	3-0
Texas Tech	0-0	3-0
Baylor	0-0	2-0
Iowa State	0-0	2-0
Oklahoma	0-0	2-0
TCU	0-0	2-0
West Virginia	0-0	2-0
Oklahoma State	0-0	2-1
Kansas	0-0	1-2

## Big 12 Conference Schedule

Date	Home Team	Score	Away Team
Fri, Sep 21	ULM		Baylor
Monroe, La.	7:00 p.m.		ESPN or ESPN2
Sat, Sep 22	Northern Illinois		
Kansas	DeKalb, Ill.		TBA
* Sat, Sep 22	Oklahoma		Kansas State
Norman, Okla.	TBA		
Sat, Sep 22	TCU		Virginia
Fort Worth, Texas	TBA		
Sat, Sep 22	West Virginia		
Maryland	Morgantown, W. Va.		TBA
* Sat, Sep 29	West Virginia		Baylor
Morgantown, W. Va.	TBA		
* Sat, Sep 29	Iowa State		Texas
Tech	Ames, Iowa		TBA
* Sat, Sep 29	Oklahoma State		
Texas	Stillwater, Okla.		TBA
Sat, Sep 29	Southern Methodist		
TCU	Dallas, Texas		TBA FSN
* Sat, Oct 06	Texas Tech		
Oklahoma	Lubbock, Texas		TBA
* Sat, Oct 06	TCU		Iowa State
Fort Worth, Texas	TBA		
* Sat, Oct 06	Kansas State		Kansas
Manhattan, Kan.	TBA		
* Sat, Oct 06	Texas		West Virginia
Austin, Texas	TBA		

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K-State Running Back John Hubert (33) gets a good block so that Quarterback Collin Klein (7) can pick up good yardage. (Photo by Jon A. Brake)



K-State Running Back John Hubert (33) is stopped after taking the hand off. (Photo by Jon A. Brake)



Anthony Cantele (10) adds another extra point to the score. (Photo by Jon A. Brake)



It was a pre-game dance for Stephen Johnson (2) and Logan Stephens (17) (Photo by Ben Brake)



KSU's John Hubert (33) finds a big hole made by the offensive line. (Photo by Ben Brake)

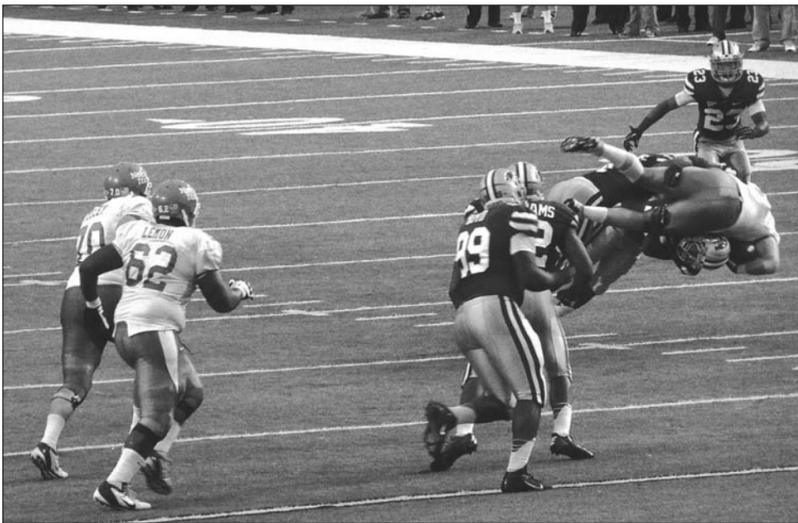
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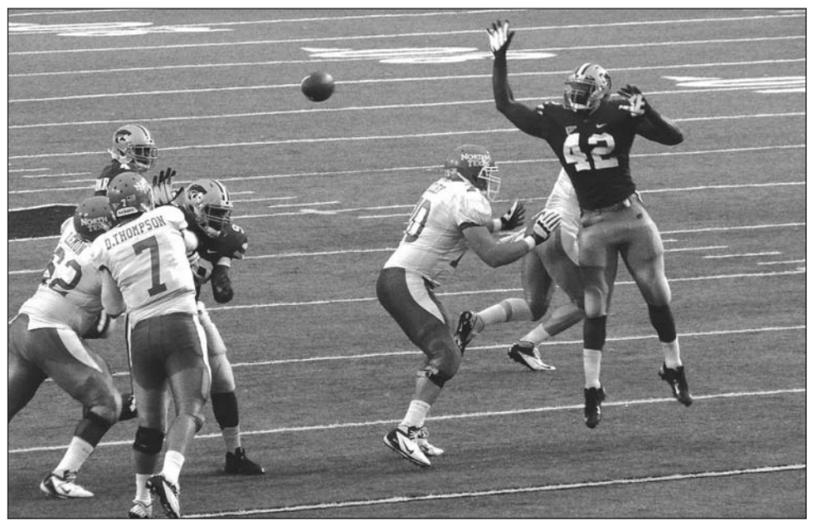
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After North Texas scored they kicked off to K-State's Tyler Lockett (16) and Lockett took it all the way back for a touchdown. Look at who the blocking was lined up to make the play happen. (Photo by Tonya Ricklefs)



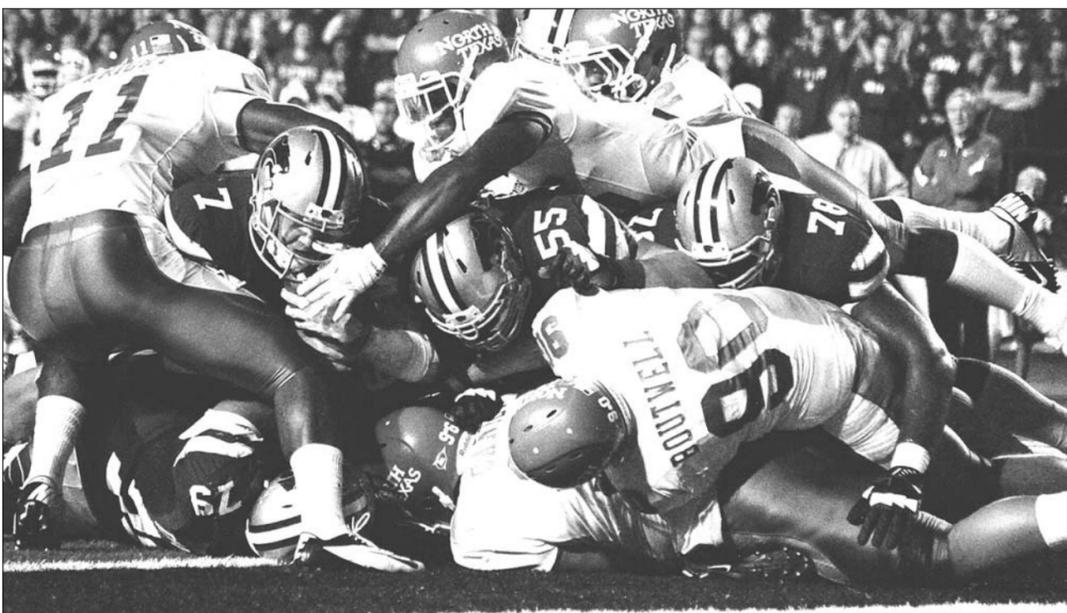
KSU's Arthur Brown and one other player make a fine defensive play. (Photo by Jon A. Brake)



Meshak Williams (42) Defensive End for K-State tries to knock the pass down but missed. (Photo by Jon A. Brake)

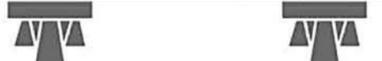


Vai Lutue (92) second standing from left, blocked a Zach Olen (37) field goal in the second half to keep the score at 7-7. (Photo by Jon A. Brake)



Kansas State Quarterback Collin Klein (7) scored after he was called down on the one yard line. The replay official ruled Klein had the ball over the line and then pushed back. (Photo by Tonya Ricklefs)

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**Kansas State 35  
North Texas 21**

**POSTGAME NOTES**

• Saturday evening's contest between Kansas State and North Texas marked the sixth between the two schools with K-State holding a 6-1 edge, including a 5-1 record in Manhattan... The Wildcats are now 478-613-41 (.440) in program history, including a 162-83-1 (.661) mark under head coach Bill Snyder... Snyder's first-career victory came against North Texas (then North Texas State) in 1989... The Wildcats went undefeated in non-conference play for the third-straight season and the 14th time under Bill Snyder... The Wildcats are now 99-33 (.750), including a 98-29 (.772) mark under Bill Snyder, when ranked in the Associated Press Top 25... Under Snyder since 1990, K-State is 66-7 (.904) against regular season non-conference opponents... K-State is now 62-3 (.954) in its last 65 games against non-conference foes at home... Since the start of the 1990 season, K-State is 120-27-1 (.814) when playing at Bill Snyder Family Stadium... Since the 1992 season under Snyder, K-State is 54-5 (.915) in games played in September, including a 45-2 mark in games played in Manhattan.

• Kansas State extended its scoring streak to 193 consecutive games on Tyler Lockett's 96-yard kickoff return touchdown... The streak is the 10th-longest in



The Kansas State Quarterback Collin Klein drops the pass over Tramaine Thompson (86) for a touchdown. (Photo by Jon A. Brake)

the nation and the longest in the Big 12... The Wildcats now have 83 non-offensive touchdowns since 1999, which is tied for the most nationally with Virginia Tech... Both schools were tied

with 82 entering the day, and the Hokies returned a punt 94 yards for a touchdown.

• K-State was 2-of-3 in the red zone on Saturday night with two touchdowns... The Wildcats are 15-of-17 in the

red zone this season...

Of the last 77 red zone chances, K-State has scored 68 times including 52 touchdowns... Over the last 13 regular season games, K-State is 60-of-67 in the red zone with 50 touchdowns... In the last six wins, K-State is 26-of-28 in the red zone with 21 touchdowns.

• K-State was 5-of-7 (.714) on third down chances on Saturday... K-State is 18-of-31 (.581) on third down this season.

• K-State took a 14-7 lead into the locker room at half-time... It was the second-straight week K-State led at the half as the Wildcats are 2-0 when leading at the break... Since 1990, the Wildcats are 152-5 when leading at the half.

• Senior quarterback Collin Klein made his 20th career start on Saturday... Klein finished 15-of-20 for 230 yards passing with two touchdowns, while he rushed 11 times for a team-leading 85 yards and a touchdown... One of his rushes went for 27 yards, a new season high... Klein now has 31 rushing

touchdowns since the beginning of last season, which is tops nationally among active quarterbacks.

• Sophomore wide receiver/kick returner Tyler Lockett returned his third career kickoff for a touchdown... Lockett is now in sole possession of second place in the K-State record book and is two away from tying Brandon Banks' record of five (2008-09)... Lockett is now second among active players in career kickoff return touchdowns... Lockett finished the night with 119 yards on two kickoff returns...

• Junior wide receiver Tramaine Thompson finished the day with five catches for a career-high 102 yards and two touchdowns... It was his first career two-touchdown game... He became the first Wildcat with two or more receiving touchdowns in a game since Brodrick Smith had two against Missouri State on Sept. 11, 2010... He was also K-State's first 100-yard receiver since Chris Harper had 134 yards vs. Texas A&M Nov. 12, 2011... His first touchdown of 38 yards was a season long.

• Senior linebacker Arthur Brown notched a new career-

best with 13 stops against the Mean Green despite not playing an entire series in the first half... He pushed his K-State career total to 129 in just 16 games played for the Wildcats.

• Running back John Hubert tallied 12 carries for 38 yards and a touchdown on the day... Hubert now has three touchdowns in the first three games, matching his season total from last year... The Waco, Texas, product now has 1,294 career rushing yards, which moved him from 20th to 19th on the school's career chart, passing Mack Green (1977-78; 1,268).

• Sophomore defensive end Ryan Mueller an 11-yard sack in the second quarter... It was the first sack North Texas had given up this season (previous games at LSU and vs. Texas Southern) and the first full sack of Mueller's career... Mueller had a half sack against Eastern Kentucky in last year's season opener.

• Senior defensive tackle Vai Lutui made three tackles... He also blocked a Mean Green 45-yard field goal attempt with 4:46 left in the first half, the first of his career and the sixth by K-State in the last two years.



KSU's Allen Chapman takes out a lineman and the runner. (Photo by Tonya Ricklefs)



North Texas Wide Receiver gets the ball but Nigel Malone is there for the stop. (Photo by Tonya Ricklefs)



Running Back John Hubert (33) talks with Coach Snyder and Quarterback Collin Klein. (Photo by Ben Brake)

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