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## Riley County

# Why Destroy This Building?

Editorial  
By Jon A. Brake

The biggest issue with the Riley County Commission today is that they want to take the vote away from the Riley County Citizens.

Now when you talk to them, they sound great: "No, we don't want to take the vote away from the citizens, all we want to do is form a the Riley County Building Commission because we can finance projects easier. Yes, much easier, as we showed last week, a Building Commission can build any project for any government agency and if the City or County used Home Rule they can cut the Citizens out of a vote on the project.

The City of Manhattan is \$270 million in debt, think what they could do leasing from a Building Commission instead of going to the voter for approval of multi-million dollar projects.

The County wants to build a new office building for \$27 million and they think the voters would not go along with the project.

First the County would purchase the First Christian Church take it down. Second they would take the County Office Building and destroy it and then build a four or five story office building.

The County Office Building has had three re-models since the Free Press started publica-



Does this look like a building that should be condemned? Should the Riley County Commission destroy this building so they can build a \$27 to \$55 million depending on if they add the Jail to the new construction.

tion in 1991, and they did not hold back on what money could buy.

Take a look at the photos on the page and page 8 and tell the Commissioner they do not need to destroy this beautiful building.



At one time the Riley County Clerk's Office was the meeting room for the Riley County Commissioners. It cost a lot of money to make the building one of the best in Manhattan.



The lobby of the Riley County Office Building gives a very good first impression.



This is a view of the Office Buildings entry from the second floor. It is very unusual.



It was a slow day in the Riley County Treasurer's Office when this photo was take. If you hit here at the first of the month or at the last it is busy. But again it is in beautiful shape.

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## Betty Ukena

Betty Ukena went to be with her Lord and Savior Saturday evening, August 3, 2013 at Meadowlark Hills Retirement Community (Bramlage House) in Manhattan Kansas. She was a lifelong resident of the Manhattan area.

Betty was born on the family farm, north of Manhattan, in Clebourn, KS on October 26, 1927. She was the daughter of Frank A. and Minnie J. (Anderson) Hedman. In 1934 the family moved to Manhattan where Betty attended grade school, and was a member of the Manhattan High School class of 1945.

She was united in marriage to Darold O. Ukena on May 2, 1948. Darold and Betty celebrated 65 years of marriage in 2013.

Betty worked on the Riley County Clerk's office as a county assessor for many years. She entered the real estate business in 1971 and remained active as a Realtor until her retirement in 2005. In 1996 she received a special recognition award from the Kansas Association of Realtors for 25 years of service to the industry. She was a member of the Manhattan Board of Realtors as well as the Kansas State and

National Board of Realtors. Betty very much enjoyed her profession and made many lifelong friends and associates throughout her career in real estate.

Betty and Darold moved from Manhattan to rural Wamego, KS in 1993, where she enjoyed living in the country, gardening, and baking. Visits from her grandchildren were very special to her. They brought much joy to her life. She loved baking cookies and other sweet delights (her "famous" cinnamon rolls) and frequently sent these in care packages to her grandchildren

in college. She and Darold returned to Manhattan in October of 2010.

Betty was a member of Saint Luke's Lutheran Church in Manhattan, where she taught Sunday school and helped with Christmas programs and the children's choir for 13 years when her own children were young.

In addition to Darold her husband, she is survived by two children: a son, Donald Ukena and his wife Brooke of rural Wamego Kansas, and a daughter, Karen Zernickow and her husband Kent of Lenexa, KS. Five grandchildren also sur-

vive: Matthew Ukena and Sharon Ukena of Albuquerque NM, Robert Zernickow of Lawrence KS, Richard Zernickow and fiancée Landen Romei of Millbrae CA, and Daniel Zernickow of San Francisco CA. One brother, Lawrence Hedman and his wife Lois of Manhattan also survive along with many nieces and nephews. Betty was preceded in death by her parents, two twin brothers, Dale Hedman and Delbert Hedman, and one sister, Bernice Lewis.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, August 9 at 10:00AM at the St Luke's Lutheran Church, 330 Sunset Avenue, in Manhattan, with Rev. Michael J. Schmidt officiating. Interment will follow in the Sunrise Cemetery in Manhattan.

The family will greet friends during a visitation on Thursday, August 8 from 5:30 to 7:00PM at Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home.

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

The family suggests memo-

rials in memory of Betty to St Luke's Lutheran Church Children & Youth Ministries. Contributions may be left in care of the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home, 1616 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, Kansas 66502.



See all of the back issues of the Manhattan Free Press at: [manhattanfreepress.com](http://manhattanfreepress.com)

## Lyle W. Timmons

Lyle W. Timmons, age 95, of Manhattan, Kansas, died July 29, 2013, at Vintage Park Assisted Living in Wamego, Kansas.

He was born on September 30, 1917, in Topeka, Kansas, the son of Riley S. and Viola Baxter Timmons.

Mr. Timmons served with the United States Army during World War II. He was honorably discharged in 1945.

Mr. Timmons moved to Manhattan in 1945 where he was a carpenter by trade. He

worked in both residential and commercial construction and was superintendent for several area contractors including Milligan Construction and Cheney Construction.

On January 9, 1941, in Manhattan, Kansas he was united in marriage to the former Lillian "Lucille" Lind. She preceded him in death in 1997. Mr. Timmons was also preceded in death by three brothers: Louis L., Carroll and Melvin Timmons.

He is survived by his son:

Robert D. Timmons of San Antonio, Texas, his sister: Betty Jane Kusler of Sabetha, Kansas, and by numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends during a visitation from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, August 7, 2013, at the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home.

Funeral services was held 11:00 a.m. Wednesday at the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen

Funeral Chapel with Pastor Lori Schwillig officiating. Interment followed in the Sunset Cemetery in Manhattan.

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

A memorial has been established for the Rossville United Methodist Church. Contributions may be left in care of the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home, 1616 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, Kansas 66502.

## Barbara L. "Barb" Pretzer

Barbara L. "Barb" Pretzer, age 68, of Manhattan, Kansas, passed away peacefully Saturday morning, August 3, 2013 at the Good Shepherd Hospice House in Manhattan.

She was born on December 31, 1944, in Topeka, Kansas, the daughter of Frank Benjamin and Altha Florence (Puderbaugh) Swoyer. Barb grew up on a farm 3 miles northeast of Meriden, Kansas. She attended Meriden Elementary School and Meriden High School through her sophomore year. It was during her sophomore year that her father suffered a stroke so her family sold their farm and moved to Topeka. Barb commuted back to Meriden to finish her sophomore year. Her final two years of high school were in Topeka where she graduated from Seaman High School.

In 1963 she was married to Kenneth Kirkham and they had two daughters: Annette Marie and Lana Beth. They moved to Manhattan in 1969 so her husband could attend KSU. In 1973 they divorced.

On March 3, 1976, in Kansas City, Missouri, she was united in marriage to Don D. Pretzer, and he would precede her in death on May 30, 1990.

Barb worked for 27 years at Kansas State (1969-1996), with 23 years at the K-State Union in the Director's Office. She received the "KSU Classified Employee of the Year" Award (from among 1,800 employees) in 1980. She "Retired" from

working at KSU at the age 52 in 1996.

During her retirement years she served in many volunteer positions: Served on the Board of Directors of Konza Prairie six years and continued another four years serving as Membership Chair, resigning in 2006; Served as a volunteer at Mercy Regional Health Center (taking a leave of absence from 2007 to present); Served as an officer in the Oregon-California Trails Association during membership period of 2000-2006; Served in many officer and committee positions, including president in 1998, of the Manhattan Kiwanis Club from 1991-2003 and received the national recognition program award of Hixson Fellowship and club award of Kiwanian of the Year. She currently served on the "Little Apple Corps" at the Manhattan Chamber of Commerce Convention and Visitor's Bureau from 2002 to present; served in several officer and committee assignments with the Manhattan Chapter of the National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE); Appointed to serve as state coordinator for the "NARFE Alzheimer's Research" national philanthropy in partnership with the Alzheimer's Association in Chicago of raising money for Alzheimer's Research 2002-2004; and then was appointed to serve as the seven-state region coordinator in 2004-2006. From 2006 to February

2012, Barb served in the appointed position of National Chair of the NARFE Alzheimer's Research program (which NARFE members have raised over \$ 9.5 million as of March 2012).

Barb is also a member of the Kansas State University Alumni Association and member of the KSU President's Club. She holds a lifetime membership in NARFE; VIP Passport Program at Meadowlark Hills and member of the First United Methodist Church.

In addition to her numerous memberships, she enjoyed tending to her beautiful flowers and tailgating with friends at K-State football games and attending all K-State sports. She loved to travel, which she did extensively with her charitable interests, family and friends. Barb loved the American Southwest, western history and western movies. She could spend all day at a Lewis and Clark Museum! She was also an accomplished ballroom dancer and could dance the night away!

She was preceded in death by her husband, Don D. Pretzer, her parents, one brother Harold, two sisters Carol Swoyer and Delores Swoyer Shafer.

Barb is survived by two daughters: Annette and husband Brent German of Kansas City, MO; and Lana Smith of Denison, TX; four grandchildren Dakota German, Skylar German, Lexi Burke, Neely

Smith and three step-children. She is also survived by her brothers: Eugene Swoyer of New Smyrna Beach, FL; Don Swoyer of Ozawkie, KS; and Paul Swoyer of Topeka, KS.

The family would like to extend their sincere appreciation for the wonderful care and treatment provided to Barb from the numerous staff, nurses and doctors at Mercy Regional Health Center and the Good Shepherd Hospice House.

A visitation will be held from 7:00 until 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, August 6, 2013 at the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be held 2:30 p.m., Wednesday, August 7, 2013, at the First United Methodist Church, 612 Poyntz Avenue with Pastor Troy Bowers officiating.

Cremation will follow the funeral with private inurnment in the Sunrise Cemetery at a later date.

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, memorials can be made to the KSU Foundation for the Don D. and Barbara L. Pretzer Scholarship Fund or to the Manhattan NARFE Chapter 0366 for NARFE Alzheimer's Research. Contributions may be left in care of the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home, 1616 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, Kansas 66502.

## Marylois (Holm) Smith

Marylois (Holm) Smith, age 89, of Manhattan, died July 31, 2013, at Mercy Regional Health Center in Manhattan.

She was born May 17, 1924, in Olsburg, Kansas, the daughter of Floyd R. and Lois Wilma (Schlaegel) Holm.

Marylois graduated from Olsburg High School with the class of 1942, and from Kansas State University in 1946 with her bachelors in Home Economics and Education.

She was a teacher at Westmoreland High School for two years, worked at Riley County Clerk's Office for several years, as a social worker for the State of Kansas SRS from 1972 to 1987, and at Even Start in Manhattan from 1990 to 2000 reading and giving books to underprivileged children. She volunteered at Bluemont Elementary for three years in the literary program.

Marylois was a member of First Presbyterian Church, Flint Hills FCE, American Association of University Women, Alpha Delta Pi

Sorority, Boy Scout Leader, First Presbyterian Church Circle, Senior Vision Aid Group and the Crafty Seniors Group.

Mrs. Smith enjoyed watching birds, was an avid reader, and enjoyed her family and sharing in her grandchildren's lives.

On June 15, 1946, at the First Presbyterian Church in Manhattan, she was married to Louis Marshall Smith. Mr. Smith preceded her in death on June 15, 2004. She was also preceded in death by one sister, Betty Kidwell.

Survivors include two sons: Randall L. Smith and his wife Colleen of Milford, Kansas, and Rod A. Smith and his girlfriend Marsha Ralston of Topeka, KS; three grandchildren: Kacy, Kimberly and Kyle Smith; two sister-in-laws: Annie Smith Rossey of Youngsville, PA, and Neta Smith of Jamestown, NY; and two nieces: Beth Myers of

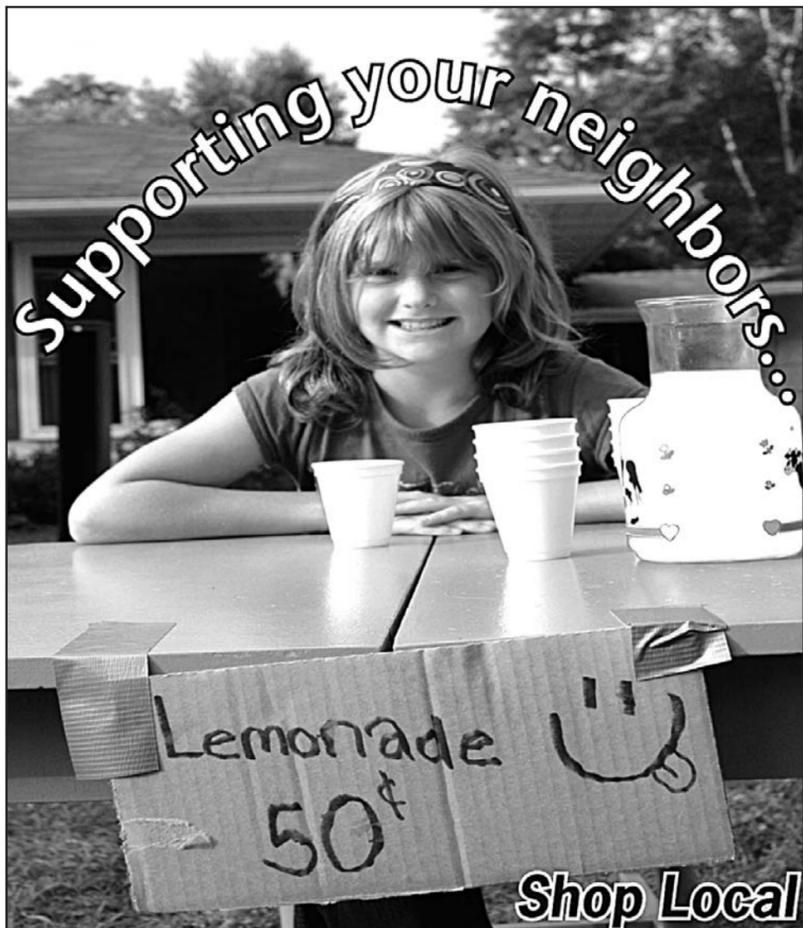
Topeka, KS, and Rebecca Furneaux of Portland, OR.

Funeral services was held at 10:00 A.M. Monday, August 5th, at the First Presbyterian Church with Reverend R. Cam McConnell officiating. Interment followed in the Olsburg Cemetery in Olsburg, Kansas.

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

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

Memorial contributions may be made to either the First Presbyterian Church or the Manhattan Public Library Foundation for Large Print Books. Contributions may be left in care of the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home, 1616 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, Kansas 66502.



## Kansas State Football Holds Media Day

### KSU Sports Information

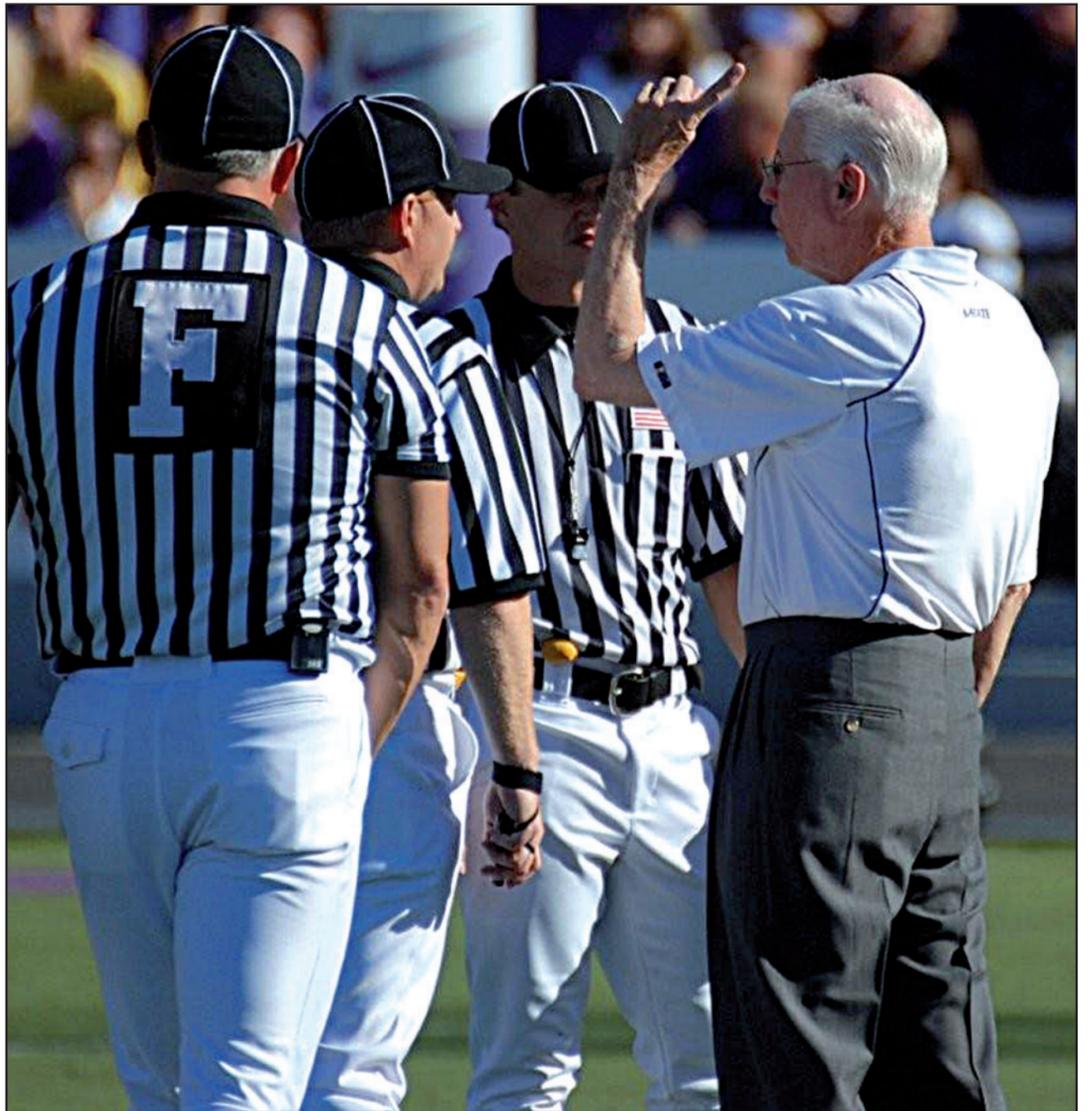
Head Coach Bill Snyder On what have you in seen in the players that they haven't taken anything for granted... "Well, it really is too early to expand on that. I'd like to think that we are not, that the young guys aren't, and I don't think they have collectively given me a particular reason to believe they have taken the upcoming season or their performance, their preparation for granted but you know the best way to define that will be after we have been given a chance on the field and compete to see whether that's the case. I think maybe as far as spring was concerned I don't know that was a major issue. As far as the summer is concerned, that part kind of remains to be seen. We have been on the practice field now three times and it's not all everything we'd like it to be, but I haven't seen that particular dynamic come forward yet."

On Jake Waters and Daniel Sams this summer... "All I can assess are the three practices that we've had and the meetings that we've had and I really probably will not be able to tell you anything differently then what we did out of spring practice. What I've seen has just been a carry over; I think both of them are being very competitive, I think both are working diligently, their work habits are extremely good. I think they are studying the system because that's a big part of it. I think both of them are attempting to provide quality leadership, that's part of it as well. They help each other as far as gaining pure understanding of what our offense is really all about; the strengths and the weaknesses and how to make the right decisions. It doesn't mean they are not playing at this point and time, that is totally up to the standards we would like but they are making headway. I don't think they have stopped improving; have a good day have a bad day, but I appreciate thcompetitiveness of it and also the fact that they are providing quality leadership. They are helping each other and showing a tremendous amount of unselfishness." On the front seven and newcomers on defense... "The challenges are evident.

But I think it's our front four, as I said in the spring and as I will say now, I think those will become or have become the most competitive segment of our program right now, or our defense. And I do feel that we have enough young people. Let me talk about competition. I'm talking about genuine competition where you got two maybe three guys competing for the same spot and that really is competitive, not just saying 'this guy is number one and the other guy is number two,' that's not what I'm saying, that either one could be in the number one spot. You have to open practice with someone on the field to take the snap whether it's defensive line, quarterback or anything else, but I think across the front (defensive end, interior defensive linemen) I think we are extremely competitive and we could draw maybe from 10 names the starting four in those positions."

On if he has changed his approach to coaching quarterbacks... "The approach is not any different and probably when I was much younger I may have done a ladder that says 'this guy should be it and somebody else comes on' but I reserve that for the right time; I need more information to be able to make that decision. I think sometimes you kind of have a sensitivity to who you think might ought of be guy that sometimes perhaps clouds your judgment and doesn't allow you to give a fair assessment to however many competitors you have at that particular spot so I think it's best to reserve for the right time, and it's not here yet."

On how much it helps the quarterback to pay attention and improve when he knows he has competition for the top spot... "It probably depends on the two, three, x-number of guys that are competing. A lot of feelings and a lot of people and I don't argue the point, you say 'pick the guy,' so you got one guy and he's out there and he's your leader and everybody knows who they're gonna get, and problem with that you may pick the wrong guy and the other part of it is all players they're pretty astute about cer-



Kansas State Football Coach had something to say to the men in strips during a game last year. (Photo by Ben Brake)

tain positions and you want to make the decisions for the right reasons so that everybody understands. Fairness is a big part of athletics and it's a big part of a program. And the only way to be totally fair with young people in their program is whoever is best is on the field, and whoever is second best is the second guy on the field, so on down the road. And if it's competitive enough and you make that decision of more rapidly that you should, it puts players in a position to be able to question some things you do, that's the last thing you want is players questioning what you're doing to the program you want them to be well invested in them. As long as they know that it's always gonna be fair then they buy in."

On his thoughts on what has been created in your time here... "In all honestly I walk out on the field and wonder how we're going to get better today. You hear me say it time

and time again and I don't have any other thoughts. Part of that is from a leadership role everybody has to set an example and I need to set the example. We ask an awful lot of our young people in our program and part of that is our diligent focus, discipline it takes to be totally focused throughout however long you have on the practice field or in your meetings or whatever you're doing, and if I get caught daydreaming then I'm not setting the example,

and I have no right to ask our bit about it and when I retire players to do exactly that. again I'll think about it again." When I retired I thought a little

### Help Wanted

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### King Crossword

Answers  
Solution time: 21 mins.

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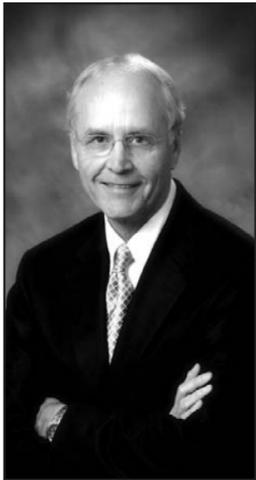
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## Over Easy...

"In the last election this was an issue. Usha (Reddi) and I ran very strongly that we should support social services ... we were elected. The community has spoken on this issue. They want to see social services adequately supported!" So opined City Commissioner Karen McCulloh in a somewhat heated debate with Mayor pro tem Wynn Butler over social services funding during Tuesday's first reading of the 2014 Manhattan city budget. She was referencing her election along with fellow commissioner Usha Reddi. And in our view her observation was spot-on.



Bob Strawn

The comment reminded us of President Obama listening to Republican gripes about his stimulus package. Like the good commissioner, Obama also left no doubt about who's in charge. "I won," Obama noted matter-of-factly according to sources familiar with those conversations. And so did McCulloh Tuesday night as the commission passed first reading of next year's \$130 million city budget.

Butler lamented the fact that city employee salaries were budgeted to increase 3.7 percent but social services would jump 7 percent. How was this fair? It was a passionate plea that in the end failed on a 3-2 vote with the two newly elected liberals, McCulloh and Reddi, joined by swing voter, Rich Jankovich. Social services are paid for with property taxes. And to their credit, Butler and Mayor John Matta have long advocated for taxpayers over special interests like these.

Butler went on to offer other motions that made sense from a conservative perspective but mostly failed under liberal scrutiny. He wanted to eliminate a fire department training officer. Nah! He wanted to fund the Wolf House and Manhattan Arts Center with bed tax. Nope! He wanted to revisit the City/University Fund allocation. Sorry! In some ways he reminded us of Winston Churchill who once cracked: "Success is stumbling

from failure to failure with no loss of enthusiasm." Butler just kept on hammering.

It was noteworthy, however, and to their credit that the commission generally agreed to look at the City/University Fund - next year. The fund utilizes city sales taxes collected by the university, for example by the athletics department, and spends those dollars on projects that have a positive impact for both the U and the city.

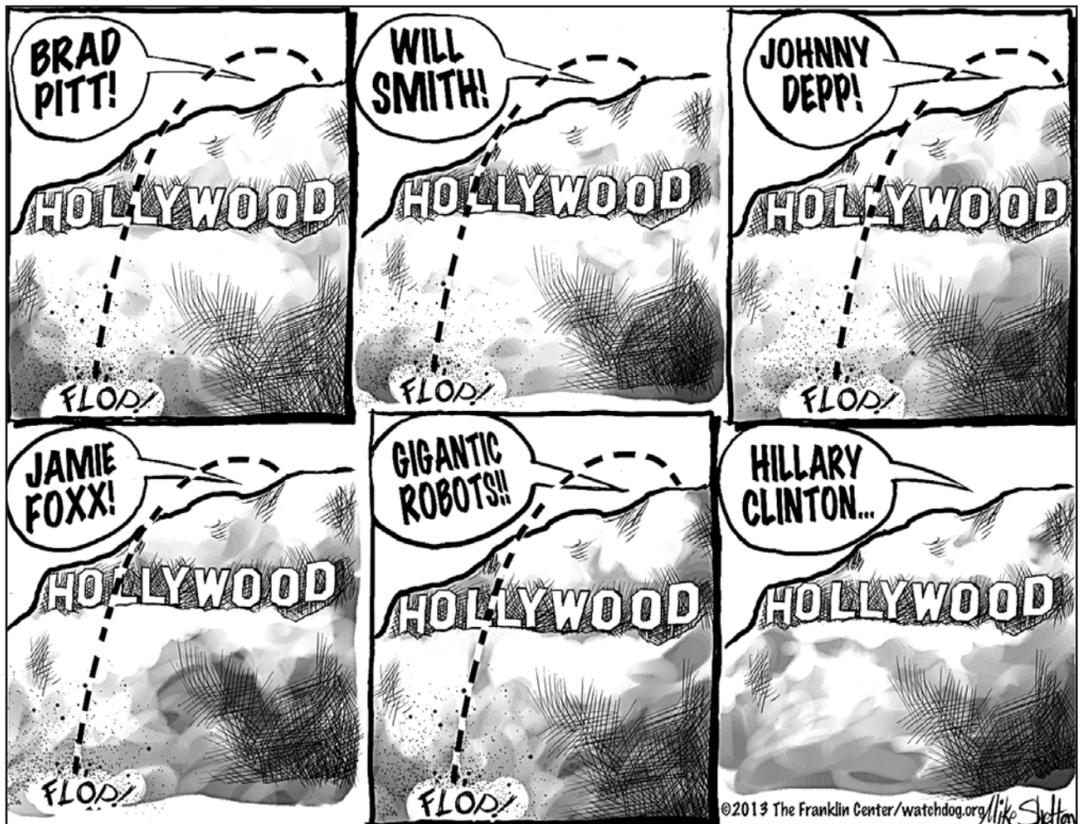
However, some of the recent allocations in their view simply have not passed the city benefit test. So the commission plans to do something about that in the future. We concur. The sales tax proceeds should not be used simply as a university building fund.

For taxpayers the budget is a double-edged sword. Yes, it increases \$9 million to a mind-numbing \$130 million or \$2500 per citizen just for city government. But it also results in a flat mill levy. So, if the county appraiser doesn't increase the value of your property your taxes remain the same as last year. In this regard, the commission did well. However, within the budget itself, as Butler pointed out, the commission rejected many opportunities to lower spending and resulting levies. So, we have to conclude that in this case "I won!" doesn't mean taxpayer. \*\*\*

## The Conservative Side...



Why federal bailouts are a bad idea



## As Detroit Goes, So Goes The Nation

By Rachel Greszler and Alison Acosta Fraser  
Heritage Foundation

Detroit is the poster child for economic decline. The city's policies and politics over the past half-century should serve as a "do not" guide for policymakers across the country.

There's a great deal lawmakers in Washington can learn. The first is understanding that Detroit's demise was the result of big-government, liberal policies promoted by self-interested politicians and coercive public employee unions.

In the wake of America's manufacturing decline, Detroit enacted policies that drove out businesses and residents. Rather than reduce the size of government as its population shrank, the city instead sought higher levels of government spending. City leaders acquiesced to unions by increasing employee benefits and ceding control and flexibility over employees.

To pay for it, Detroit continually increased taxes and engaged in prolific borrowing

—be they pensioners or bondholders—it would create an untenable moral hazard. Believing that the federal government would step in to help them, troubled state and local governments across the nation would have no incentive to enact reforms, and unions and workers would have no incentive to accept them.

Moreover, a federal bailout of Detroit or any state or local government would impose the costs of one city's fiscal recklessness on the taxpayers of

an untenable moral hazard. Believing that the federal government would step in to help them, troubled state and local governments across the nation would have no incentive to enact reforms, and unions and workers would have no incentive to accept them.

Moreover, a federal bailout of Detroit or any state or local government would impose the costs of one city's fiscal recklessness on the taxpayers of other, more responsible states and localities.

Perhaps most important, though, the federal government is in no fiscal position to be providing bailouts.

As significant as Detroit's debt is, the federal government is in far worse shape. In fact, as the chart above shows, the federal government's debt and unfunded obligations are more

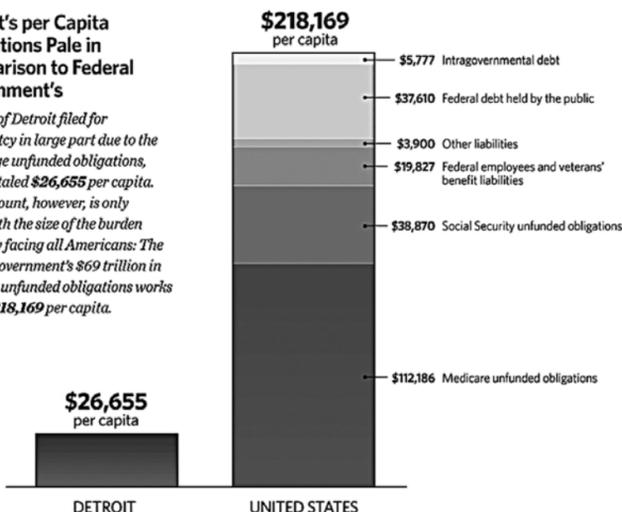
than eight times that of bankrupt Detroit.

Detroit's spiraling decline is a tragedy. Lawmakers in

Washington should learn from Detroit's mistakes and rein in big government now before it's too late.

CHART 1  
Detroit's per Capita Obligations Pale in Comparison to Federal Government's

The city of Detroit filed for bankruptcy in large part due to the city's huge unfunded obligations, which totaled \$26,655 per capita. That amount, however, is only one-eighth the size of the burden currently facing all Americans: The federal government's \$69 trillion in debt and unfunded obligations works out to \$218,169 per capita.



Note: Figures shown are based on \$2.8 trillion in the Social Security trust fund and \$227 billion in the HI and SMI Medicare trust funds being included in the long-term Social Security and Medicare obligations and are excluded from intragovernmental debt.  
Source: Authors' calculations based on data from U.S. Department of the Treasury, Government Accountability Office, Social Security and Medicare trustees' reports, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, U.S. Census Bureau, and Kevin Orr, "City of Detroit Proposal for Creditors," June 14, 2013, <http://s3.documentcloud.org/documents/713693/detroit-emergency-manager-kevin-orr-report-to-creditors> (accessed July 30, 2013).

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"Were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter."  
Thomas Jefferson, 1787



## 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 July 29, 2013 with the following members present: Dave Lewis, Chair; Robert Boyd, Vice Chair; Ron Wells, Member; and Cindy Kabriel sitting in for Rich Vargo, County Clerk.

8:30 Pledge of Allegiance  
Public Comment, Commission Comments, & Business Meeting

Clancy Holeman, Counselor /Director of Administrative Services; Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Cindy Volanti, Human Resource Manager/Deputy Clerk; Curtis Porter, 17440 LKW Road, Clay Center; Ralph Wahl, 13080 Homestead Road, Riley; Eileen King, Treasurer; Maura Wery, Manhattan Mercury; and Laura

Monsanto, KMAN, attended. Wahl said he picked up information on the Public Building Commission from the Riley County Clerk's Office last week.

Wahl said "his" group met and is one hundred percent against the Public Building Commission.

Wahl asked about ownership and how a Public Building Commission is dissolved.

Holeman said he will research questions and come back to the commission. Hobson discussed Wildcat Creek Road.

Wells said there was a great crowd Friday at the Riley County Fair.

Wells thanked Wahl and Porter for attending the commission meeting for public input.

Lewis said further public meetings will be held to include at least one meeting in rural areas.

Boyd moved to approve an Exclusion of Law Enforcement Personnel with Scottsdale

Indemnity Company. Wells seconded. Carried 3-0.

Boyd moved to approve an Annual Peopleware Agreement with CIC for the Treasurer's Office. Wells seconded. Carried 3-0.

Boyd moved to approve the following warrant vouchers for July 31, 2013:

2013 Budget	County General	\$925,001.26
Health Department		56,125.16
Teen Court Collected Fund		183.34
Court Technology		3,452.17
Juvenile Intake Case Mgr		120.00
Riley Co Juvenile Service		3,708.36
21st Jud Dist Teen Court		60.00
Riley Co Adult Services		9,607.45
Economic Development		30,333.00
Emergency 911		4,057.39
Solid Waste		407.82
County Building		3,062.71
RCPD Levy/Op		1,746,214.48
Riley Co Fire Dist #1		19,210.04
Hunters Island Water Dist		1,120.48
Moehlman Bottoms		298.73
Konza Water Operations		2,086.01
<b>TOTAL . . .</b>	<b>\$2,805,048.40</b>	

Wells seconded. Carried 3-0. Boyd moved to approve the minutes of July 25, 2013 as amended. Wells seconded. Carried 3-0.

9:04 Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services Administrative Work Session

Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Curtis Porter, 17440 LKW Road, Clay Center; Ralph Wahl, 13080 Homestead Road, Riley; Maura Wery, Manhattan Mercury; and Laura Monsanto, KMAN, attended.

Holeman said there is a KAC Policy Committee Meeting on Friday. Holeman said he would

like a commissioner to attend to show support for the anti-lobbying bill discussion.

Holeman said he will attend.

Holeman said there is shelving left at the Noxious Weed Department from when the LEC was built. Holeman said Greg Riat with Pottawatomie County would like to use the shelving for their new Justice Center.

Holeman said a resolution would be required to dispose of excess property.

Holeman said Sheriff Riat would like to borrow 7-9 units to see if they will fit.

The Board agreed Sheriff Riat could borrow the shelving units to see if they will fit.

Holeman discussed the Intergovernmental Support Partnership (ISP) sharing of equipment and training opportunities with Fort Riley and surrounding communities.

9:30 Press Conference  
Gregg Eyestone, County Extension Agent; Pat Collins, Emergency Management Director; Eileen King, Treasurer; Maura Wery, Manhattan Mercury; and Laura Monsanto, KMAN, attended.

Eyestone said the Riley County Fair continues today and will wrap up with an auction at 6:45 p.m. Eyestone said the carnival is still going this evening. Eyestone said they will release exhibits at 5:00 p.m. today.

King said presented the following:  
July Vehicle Renewals:  
Wednesday, July 31 – All "J-K-L" tags are due.

MUST SHOW CURRENT INSURANCE CARD ON EACH VEHICLE.

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MILITARY must present current full month LES and Orders/ORB/ERB for Personal Property tax exemption. A work station outside our office for military personnel to access the information needed.

Renewals can be done by mail or online. www.riley-countyks.gov, Online Services, Vehicle Registration. No convenience fee is charged at this time. The PIN number is

required to do online. Transactions that can't be done online are: military members exempt from property tax, plates that need verification of eligibility, plates without insurance information submitted to state.

Specialty plates that require a royalty payment can now be done online and pay the annual fee with their registration.

Wildlife and Parks passports can also be purchased online.

Reprint a renewal notice – www.rileycountyks.gov, Online Services, Reprint Renewal Notice. (Includes PIN Number to do online)

Online renewals – Renew on first day, second day the Treasurer's Office receives the file, registration is mailed either the day they receive it or the next day.

Wildlife and Parks Passports:

The passports for State Parks are continuing to be a great success. The price of \$15.50 at renewal time has been a very popular item. The Treasurer's Office has sold over 1884 permits so far this year.

P. Collins presented the 2013 2nd Quarter Run Report for Fire District #1.

10:00 Eileen King, Treasurer Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Shelly Williams, Community Corrections Director; and Laura Monsanto, KMAN, attended.

King discussed her year as President of NACCTFO.

10:23 Shelly Williams, Community Corrections Director

Clancy Holeman, Counselor /Director of Administrative Services; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Joe Knopp; and Laura Monsanto, KMAN, attended.

Williams said Kansas Department of Corrections (KDOC) rules and regulations require that any line-item adjustments that total \$5,000 or one percent of the current fiscal year grant award, whichever is higher in a quarter require advisory board and governing authority signatory approval.

Written justification must be included in the comments section of the fiscal workbook. In addition, discussion of these transfers should be included in the Joint Corrections Advisory Board's (JCAB) minutes.

Williams said as the Board knows, their budgets are due to the state on May 1st based on flat funding. Following the completion of the legislative session and the KDOC determining agency allocations, they are notified in June of their fiscal year budgets.

Williams said they report progress of their program outcomes quarterly to JCAB. Following the end of each fiscal year, they review their program outcomes with the Board of County Commissioner (BOCC).

Williams said the FY13 Quarterly Budget Adjustment Report shows which line-item the money is being moved from and which line-item it is going. If any of the individual line-item transfers exceed \$5,000 then signature approval is required. The Joint Corrections Advisory Board met on July 18th and approved the line-item transfers.

Williams said they were notified on June 26th of their FY14 Adult Services budget in the amount of \$442,185.00. This is a reduction from their FY13 budget of only \$11,598.00. A key reason they did not lose substantially more was due to the number of probationers successfully completing supervision.

Boyd moved to approve the Adult Services FY13 Line-Item Adjustment for Community Corrections Department. Wells seconded. Carried 3-0.

Boyd moved to approve the Adult Services FY14 Revised Budget for the Community Corrections Department. Wells seconded. Carried 3-0.

Boyd moved to approve the FY13 Year-End Outcome Report for the Community Corrections Department. Wells seconded. Carried 3-0.

10:35 Boyd moved to adjourn. Wells seconded. Carried 3-0.

## Salina To Get \$3.5 Million Bulk Solids Facility

SALINA, Kan. (AP) A new facility in Salina that will research the best ways to move bulk solids could someday benefit industries that ship such materials as sugar, minerals, chemicals and starch, supporters said.

Construction is scheduled to begin next summer on the \$3.5 million, 17,000-square-foot research facility, which will be called The Salina Bulk Solids Innovation Center. The project is expected to provide 31 jobs,

The Salina Journal reported (<http://bit.ly/17XU4TZ>).

The facility, which has been in the planning stages for about four years, is a collaboration among Kansas State University, the Salina Area Chamber of Commerce, the city of Salina, a number of private companies and K-Tron Salina.

It will be the only facility of its kind in the United States, although similar research centers exist in the United

Kingdom and in Australia, said Todd Smith, general manager of K-Tron Salin. Those centers are operated by universities, while the Salina facility will have a commercial component, he said.

"What will make the difference is the people who are doing the research. The university is the primary partner but there are industrial companies along with it," Smith said.

The city of Salina has been awarded a \$1 million federal

grant for the project, which is pending a few requirements, including an environmental assessment of the site. The first two tenants, K-Tron and Salina Vortex, will provide the equipment.

Smith said the research is needed because the science behind moving bulk material isn't fully understood. While systems for liquids and gases require standard equations, bulk solids behave differently, he said.

"There are not defined equations for those, so we have to rely on trial and error and things we've learned over a lot of years, and we realized if we could combine a lot of knowledge of many different industrial companies along with their application knowledge over the years with Kansas State University's rigorous research methods and their detail for understanding basic research, then we can figure out how a lot of the bulk solids science

works together," he said.

Verna Fitzsimmons, dean and chief executive officer of Kansas State University at Salina, said the research could someday be applied to grain science.

"We can take the knowledge we'll be developing here and use it in the grain sciences, and some of that we'll be able to bring here, so we see it as a true collaboration between the Manhattan campus and the Salina campus," she said.

## The Rising Cost Of Social Security Disability Insurance

By Tad DeHaven  
CATO Institute

Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) is one of the largest federal programs, and it is one of the most troubled. The program's expenditures have doubled over the last decade, reaching an estimated \$144 billion this year. Spending has risen so rapidly that SSDI's trust fund is projected to be depleted just three years from now.

SSDI was originally created as a modest safety net aimed at severely disabled workers who were close to retirement age. But Congress has expanded benefit levels over the decades, and eligibility standards have been greatly liberalized. The result is that people capable of

working are instead opting for the disability rolls when confronted with employment challenges. Once on the disability rolls, experience shows that individuals are likely to remain there, which is bad for the individuals, taxpayers, and the economy.

The process for determining eligibility for disability insurance benefits has become a bureaucratic nightmare. Applicants often pursue a lengthy and litigious appeals process if their initial applications are denied. And there is a growing reliance on subjective considerations in evaluating claims, which has exacerbated the difficult task of determining whether an individual is truly "disabled." Specialty law firms

working on a contingency fee basis have taken advantage of the complex system and its inconsistencies to reap a financial bonanza at taxpayer expense.

Instead of providing a wage-replacement back stop for the disabled workers who are permanently incapable of working, disability insurance has become more like permanent unemployment insurance or a general welfare program. SSDI has become financially unsustainable and economically damaging, and policy makers should pursue major spending cuts to the program. They should also explore the potential to transition responsibility for disability insurance from the government to the private sector.

## National Guard Up For Future Demands

By JOHN MILBURN  
Associated Press

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) National Guard Air and Army units should be able to maintain their readiness and deployment capabilities indefinitely despite a murky federal military budget outlook, the chief of the National Guard Bureau said Monday.

Gen. Frank Grass told soldiers and airmen of the Kansas National Guard during a stop at the State Defense Building in Topeka that the 460,000-member force is capable of continuing missions both overseas and domestically.

"When we can do that indefinitely as long as the resources are there and we keep our readiness high," Grass said. "And this generation of Guardsmen and women expect to deploy."

He said he has spoken with Army Chief of Staff Gen. Ray Odierno about keeping Guard units in the mix for traditional rotations to Kosovo, the Sinai Peninsula and the Horn of Africa in coming years. Grass would also like to see the Guard continue missions in other countries for several months that could be integrated into two- or three-week annual training programs.

Grass, a member of the Joint

Chiefs of Staff, said while fewer soldiers and airmen may deploy in the coming years, those rotations will be shorter than in the past decade.

He also said the National Guard isn't immune to the federal spending challenges facing the Pentagon, but any decision about cutting the number of reserve forces in uniform hasn't been made yet. The automatic budget cuts that took effect in March resulted in more than 48,000 National Guard technicians being furloughed through the end of the current fiscal year.

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## Dr. Daniel Thomas Hinkin

Dr. Daniel T. Hinkin, age 58, died August 5, 2013 in Manhattan, Kansas.

He was born on July 25, 1955 in Lansing, MI the son of Paul E. and Mabel (Wesson) Hinkin. Dan attended Sacred Heart High School in Salina, Kansas during his freshman year and graduated from CM Russell High School in Great Falls, Montana. He attended the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado from 1973 until 1977. Dan graduated from the University of Kansas School of Medicine in 1980. He completed his flexible internship at Scott AFS, Illinois then served his residency at Wilford Hall Medical Center, Lackland AFB, San Antonio, Texas specializing in Orthopedic Surgery from 1981 until 1985. He also completed his Sports Medicine fellowship at the University of Iowa. Dr. Hinkin was an orthopedic surgeon for 12 years in the Air Force before his retirement in 1997. He joined the Orthopedic and Sports Medicine Center in Manhattan, Kansas in 1997. He also served as a team physician for the Kansas State University varsity sports and for the U.S. Ski Team.

He was united in marriage to Eileen McCarthy on August 9, 1980 in Birmingham, Alabama. This union was blessed with 3 children: Stephen, Michael and Erin.

Dan had many joys in his life

including fishing, riding motorcycles, singing in the St. Isidore's Church Choir and supporting all of the K-State Sports and activities. Above all, his true love was his family. He cherished the time that he spent with all of them. He always made time for his family and he will be truly missed every day.

He was a member of the American Orthopedic Society

of Sports Medicine, Society of Military Orthopedic Surgeons, Mid-America Orthopedic Association, Kansas Medical Society and the Riley County Medical Society. He was also a member of the St. Isidore Catholic Student Center, Manhattan, Kansas.

He was preceded in death by his father: Paul E. Hinkin on July 8, 1992.

Survivors include his wife: Eileen of the home; son: Stephen Hinkin and his wife Natalie and their son: Henry Michael of Grand Rapids, Michigan; son: Michael Hinkin of Manhattan, Kansas and daughter: Erin Boidock and her husband Stephen of Austin, Texas; his mother: Mabel Hinkin of Manhattan, Kansas. He is also survived by his brothers: Douglas Hinkin and his wife Maureen of Manhattan, Kansas, Lawrence Hinkin and his wife Karen of Colorado Springs, Colorado and Matthew Hinkin and his wife Deborah of Knoxville, Tennessee; 2 sisters: Beth Cartner and her husband Bruce of Naperville, Illinois and Barbara Setter and her husband Ralph, Omaha, Nebraska along with many cousins, nieces, nephews and many friends.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10:00 a.m. on Friday August 9, 2013 at the St. Thomas More Catholic Church 2900 Kimball Avenue, Manhattan, Kansas with Father Keith Weber as Celebrant and Father Don Zimmerman as Concelebrant. Burial with full military honors by the United States Air Force will follow in the Kansas Veterans Cemetery at Fort Riley.

A Rosary will be at 6:30 on Thursday August 8, 2013 at the St. Thomas More Catholic Church followed by a 7:00 p.m. Vigil/Visitation until 8:00 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Isidore Catholic Student Center Choir and left in care of the Yorgensen-Meloan-Londeen Funeral Home 1616 Poyntz Avenue, Manhattan, Kansas 66502.

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



Dr. Daniel T. Hinkin

## Invasive Tree And Weed Field Day

Foley Equipment to Host Invasive Tree & Weed Control Field Day

Foley Equipment is hosting an invasive tree and weed control field day at the Pottawatomie County State Park, north of Westmoreland, Saturday, August 17 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The event includes lunch.

A number of educational and

technical presentations on tree and weed control as part of pasture reclamation will be given by local experts from Pottawatomie County Weed Control, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks and Kansas State University.

The field day event also includes hands-on equipment

demonstrations of a variety of skid steers and attachments including tree saws, shears, brush cutters and mulchers.

Interested attendees are encouraged to register online for the event by August 14 at [www.foleyeq.com/fieldday](http://www.foleyeq.com/fieldday). If attending, gather at the camp ground on the north end of the lake by 10:00 a.m.

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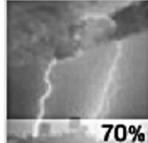
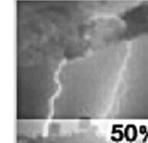
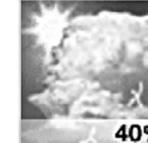
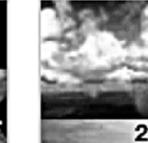
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# Chicken Chesapeake Recipe



In this unique recipe for chicken Chesapeake, chicken and seafood are combined to make a delicious dish that is perfect for dinner. This dish consists of chicken breasts that are seasoned with old bay seasoning and stuffed with a crab mixture. The crab mixture gets a great deal of flavor from cream cheese and lemon juice. After the chicken breasts are

stuffed, they are fried in the bacon grease and then placed into the oven to finish the cooking process. To add even more depth and flavor to this already great recipe, the chicken breasts are topped off with crumbled bacon and cheddar cheese to finish cooking! This recipe for chicken Chesapeake makes a get meal for any night of the week. Enjoy! Adapted

from Tide & Thyme.

- Ingredients:**  
 4 boneless skinless chicken breasts  
 5 strips thick-cut bacon (sliced)  
 1 tablespoons Old Bay seasoning  
 4 ounces shredded sharp cheddar cheese  
 1 teaspoon kosher salt  
**Filling-**  
 3 ounces cream cheese (softened)  
 1 tablespoon sour cream  
 ¼ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce  
 juice of ½ lemon  
 ½ teaspoon kosher salt  
 4 ounces lump crab meat (picked for shells)

**Cooking Instructions:**  
 Step 1: Preheat the oven to 375 degrees and lightly grease a 9x13 inch baking dish (with olive oil or cooking spray). Cook bacon in a large skillet over medium-high heat, turning once, until starting to crisp. Remove the bacon from the pan and drain on paper towels. Leave the bacon grease in the pan to cook the chicken after it has been stuffed.  
 Step 2: To make the filling- in a medium bowl combine cream cheese, sour cream, Worcestershire sauce, lemon juice, and salt. Gently fold the lump crab into the mixture until just combined. Season the chicken breasts on both sides with Old Bay seasoning. With a paring knife cut a pocket into the center of each chicken breast that's about 2 inches long by 1 inch wide. Stuff 2-3 tablespoons of the crab mixture into the pocket of each chicken breast. Tuck the top back over

the filling and secure using two tooth picks. Repeat until all of the chicken breasts are stuffed.  
 Step 3: Heat the pan with the reserved bacon grease to medium-high heat. Add the chicken breasts to the pan, and cook for

about 3 minutes on each side (until brown). Remove the chicken from the pan and place into the greased baking dish. Top each chicken breast with cheddar cheese and crumbled bacon. Place into the oven and

bake for 25-30 minutes or until the chicken is fully cooked (has reached an internal temperature of 165 degrees). Let cool for 5 minutes before slicing and serving.  
 (Makes 4 Servings)

# King Crossword

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- 1 Gets a glimpse of
  - 5 Tree fluid
  - 8 One of the Three Bears
  - 12 "Gone With the Wind" plantation
  - 13 Actress Carrere
  - 14 Letter jumble (Abbr.)
  - 15 "Yeah, right!"
  - 16 Dig
  - 18 Soothe
  - 20 On an angle
  - 21 Tiers
  - 23 Homer's interjection
  - 24 Rough calculation
  - 28 Outlet
  - 31 "Humbug!"
  - 32 "Top Chef" network
  - 34 Cattle call?
  - 35 Bjorn of tennis lore
  - 37 Weaken
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  - 41 Leg joint
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  - 52 -a-ling
  - 53 Auto fuel
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  - 56 Tummy muscles
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  - 24 Recede
  - 25 - Paulo, Brazil
  - 26 Prosperous
  - 27 Uniformity
  - 29 "To be or - ..."
  - 30 Sock part
  - 33 Sandwich cookie
  - 36 Needing more sleep, maybe
  - 38 Oral
  - 40 Make a mistake
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Answers On Page 3

**HOCUS-FOCUS** BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

CAN YOU TRUST YOUR EYES? There are at least six differences in drawing details between top and bottom panels. How quickly can you find them? Check answers with those below.

Differences: 1. Hair is different. 2. Bracelet is missing. 3. Handle is missing. 4. Snake's head is moved. 5. Ring is missing. 6. Lamp post is missing.

**THEY'LL DO IT EVERY TIME** BY AL SCADUTO

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# Why Destroy This Building?

In 2011 Bowman, Bowman and Novock, Inc. was commissioned to assess a number of items for Riley County. These are the recommendations taken from that study:

### RECOMMENDATIONS COURTHOUSE

The historic Courthouse Building is a flagship building

for Riley County and downtown Manhattan. It should remain a courts building but should be freed of court support uses in order to accommodate technology updates and to provide mandated security facilities and protocol. An additional large courtroom and court services should be pro-

vided in a new building immediately adjacent with shared security features.

### CARNEGIE LIBRARY

The historic Carnegie Library is also an iconic building for Riley County and downtown Manhattan. It should be preserved as an ancillary office space, possibly

for County Extension or the County Commission.

### COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING

The County Office Building should remain in operation until such time as a new County office building is completed to the west. It then should be razed.

### PLAZA EAST

The Plaza East Building should be sold for adaptive reuse to the private sector at such time as the new office building is complete.

### FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The Christian Church should be acquired and razed to pro-

vide site area for the new building.

### NEW COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING

The new Riley County Office Building should be sited and configured as documented in this report.



Does the Register of Deeds office look like it needs to be destroyed?



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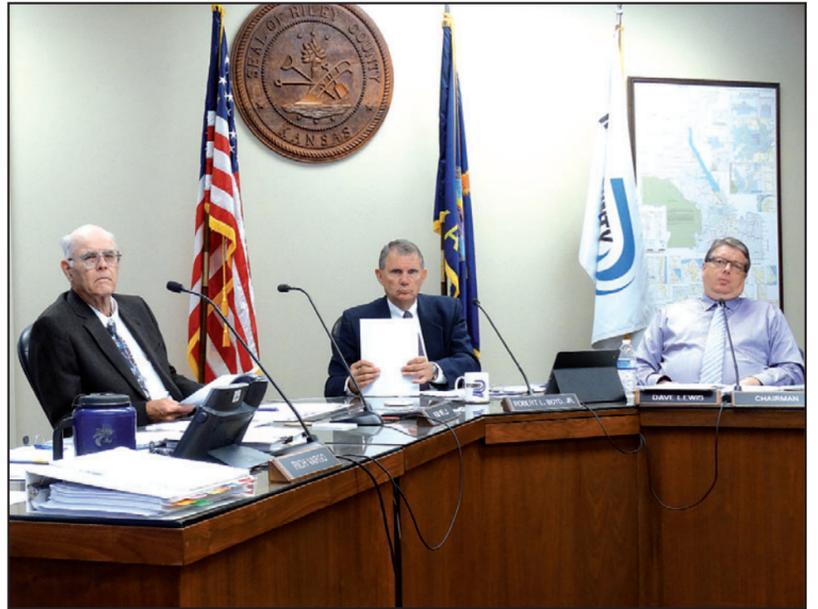
The Riley County Planning & Development office still looks new, clean and bright.



The Riley County Extension Office was getting new carpet Friday.



Why would anyone want to destroy the First Christian Church Building?



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