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Towers In For Re-Construction

The Manhattan Apartment Tower at 4th and Leavenworth St. are about to under go re-construction work.

The Manhattan Housing Authority which owns the property is having the building vacated and are about to take bids from contractors.

The construction would start sometime this spring and should take about a year to complete.

JoAnn R. Sutton, Executive

Director of the Manhattan Housing Authority told the Free Press on Wednesday "we have relocated some residents from the building who had underlying health problems as a precautionary measure. This happened some time ago, after the discovery of some mold problems in the building in 2013 – which have been caused in part by various elements of the building's aged infrastructure and mechanical

systems."

Sutton told the Free Press that the project will cost \$5.4 million. The Housing Authority has received a HUD Grant and used cash from the sale of other properties to pay for the construction.

The Towers were built in 1974 and had to office addition added in the 1990's.

Kansas Payday Lending Operation Agrees to \$21M

OVERLAND PARK, Kan. (AP) — Two payday lending companies with ties to racecar driver Scott Tucker have agreed to pay \$21 million and waive \$285 million in unpaid fines and loans assessed to consumers in order to settle federal claims that they misled borrowers.

The Federal Trade Commission said in a news release Friday that the proposed settlement with AMG Services Inc. of Overland Park, Kansas, and MNE Services Inc. of Miami, Oklahoma, includes the largest recovery in a payday lending case. Neither company admitted wrongdoing.

Bradley H. Weidenhammer, an attorney for AMG and MNE, didn't immediately return a phone call from The Associated Press.

The FTC said the two companies are both part of the same lending operation, The Kansas City Star reported. The agency said AMG serviced cash advance payday loans offered by MNE on websites using the trade names Ameriloan, United Cash Loans, US Fast Cash, Advantage Cash Services, and Star Cash Processing.

But complaints poured in from borrowers facing unexpected fees and higher-than-advertised interest rates. Contracts, for instance, showed that

borrowers were told a \$300 loan would cost \$390 to repay, but they were charged \$975 to repay the loan, the FTC said.

The lenders claimed to be immune from legal action because of their affiliation with Native American tribes.

An FTC complaint filed in 2012 in federal district court in Nevada said Tucker was the main beneficiary and used \$40 million collected from borrowers to sponsor his racing team. Tucker has not settled the FTC charges against him.

A federal magistrate judge ruled in 2013 that the lenders had to obey federal consumer protection statutes, even if they were affiliated with tribes. A U.S. District Court judge upheld that ruling last year.

Tucker's attorneys have said the tribes' business practices were "fully compliant with federal law" and they would contest the allegations, the Star reported.

AMG previously had reached a partial settlement with the FTC in 2013 over allegations that the company had illegally threatened borrowers with arrest and lawsuits. That settlement prohibited AMG from using such tactics to collect debts.

Transportation Officials Reassure Lawmakers On Budget

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) — Kansas transportation officials told state lawmakers Tuesday some infrastructure projects would be delayed but none would be cut, despite major drops in funding.

In his proposed budget, Gov. Sam Brownback has recommended transferring state transportation funds into general state coffers to fill shortfalls over the next three years. Under his recommendations, a total of \$412 million would be transferred in fiscal year 2015 and \$362 million in both 2016 and 2017.

The state's budget problems arose

after lawmakers aggressively cut personal income taxes in 2012 and 2013 at Brownback's urging to stimulate the economy. The state now faces projected budget shortfalls totaling more than \$710 million for the current budget and the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

Transportation Secretary Mike King told the House Appropriations Committee on Tuesday that the department will be forced to delay some projects to preserve roads and bridges in the state, but it expects to have the funds to complete those projects by 2020.

TransCanada takes steps to acquire Keystone pipeline land

By GRANT SCHULTE
Associated Press

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — The developer of the Keystone XL oil pipeline made good on its promise Tuesday to try to seize access to the Nebraska land it needs to finish the project — the first steps it's taken since the state's high court removed a major legal barrier.

TransCanada employees said the company filed legal papers in nine Nebraska counties to invoke eminent domain for the land that's needed to construct, operate and maintain the pipeline. The filings come just before the company's two-year window closes Thursday.

The pipeline still faces legal challenges in Nebraska, even though the state's Supreme Court allowed the route to stand by default. Opponents have sued to try to prevent the Calgary, Alberta-based company from using eminent domain and to overturn the state pipeline-siting law that allowed ex-Gov. Dave Heineman

to approve the route in 2013.

The pipeline would carry an estimated 800,000 barrels of crude oil a day to Nebraska, where it would connect with existing pipelines headed for Gulf Coast refineries.

By law, TransCanada can use the courts to force Nebraska landowners to sell access to their land. Company officials say they still need to acquire 12 percent of the total land easements from owners who have not yet reached a deal. Some holdouts have said they won't negotiate no matter how much TransCanada offers.

The company has acquired 100 percent of the private landowner easements in Montana and South Dakota, according to TransCanada's Keystone projects land manager Andrew Craig.

"This is all we have left," Craig told The Associated Press. "... We think 88 percent voluntarily agreements in the last two years is a substantial success."

Pipeline opponents argue that many of the landowners in Montana and South Dakota were "bullied" early in the process and told they had no other option.

Craig said the company has secured voluntary agreements with as many as 96 percent of the landowners in some of the remaining Nebraska counties. And he expects the company will sign agreements with at least half of the remaining landowners without having to use eminent domain.

Those still willing to negotiate mostly have concerns about compensation and restoration of native grasslands that could take three to five years to regrow, Craig said.

Jim Tarnick has received at least six offers — ranging from \$30,000 to \$58,000 — for his land on the route just south of Fullerton. TransCanada also sent the 39-year-old a letter and tried to call him last week after the court's ruling.

He opposes the pipeline and plans to continue fighting it, though he isn't part of the new lawsuits.

"If we can't stop the project, we at least have to do what's best for us and future generations," said Tarnick, who is concerned about the pipeline's possible effects on groundwater and soil. "When they're done with it, we're going to be left with a pipe in the ground."

Environmentalists and other pipeline opponents argue that any leaks could contaminate water sources and the project would increase air pollution around refineries and harm wildlife. Supporters, including state and national Republicans and oil industry members, say those fears are exaggerated and argue that the pipeline would create jobs and ease the country's dependence on foreign oil.

President Barack Obama has downplayed the project's benefits, and the White House has publicly threatened

to veto legislation in Congress that would fast-track the project.

Nebraska lawmakers may debate the issue again this session. State Sen. Ernie Chambers introduced a bill Tuesday that would repeal the pipeline-siting law and bring the project "to a virtual standstill."

"The pipeline is like King Kong, and the people and farms are like ants and grasshoppers," Chambers said. "If they get in the way, they will be crushed with no redress."

It's not clear how it'll be received in the Legislature.

In the two lawsuits filed last week — which could delay the entire 1,179-mile Canada-to-Nebraska project — seven landowners in Holt and York counties said they've received written warning that TransCanada intends to initiate eminent domain proceedings.

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Riley County Minutes Cost Taxpayers \$700 Per Month

What the Riley County Clerk and the Riley County Commissioners are doing with the Commission Minutes is Deceiving.

Look at the Minutes taken by Rich Vargo this

year (left) and the Minutes taken by Rich Vargo last year (right). This year the County is paying \$700 per month to produce nothing but filler (left) and last year it did not cost extra to write a complete history of the meeting.

Board of Riley County Commissioners Regular Meeting Minutes January 08, 2015 115 North 4th Street Manhattan, KS 66502 Commission Chambers 8:30 AM Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance
Public Comment
1. Public Comments
Commission Comments
2. Commission Comments
Business Meeting
3. Approve payroll/accounts payables (when completed)
Move to approve the payroll vouchers in the amount of \$290,422.10 and the following warrant vouchers for January 9, 2015:

2014 Budget
County General\$276,760.48Health Department2,089.14Riley Co Juvenile Service49.64Motor Vehicle Operations52.7721st Jud Dist Teen Court12.23Riley Co Adult Services72.78Emergency 911828.12Solid Waste395.13County Building6,093.60Riley Co Fire Dist #127.76University Park W&S20.40Exp Lakesd Sew/UP Water12.00Valleywood Operations89.13
TOTAL. \$286,482.78

2015 Budget
County General\$228,488.10Health Department55,234.61Riley Co Juvenile Service6,854.84Motor Vehicle Operations6,040.94 21st Jud Dist Teen Court
1,338.76Riley Co Adult Services15,800.59Emergency 91120,200.64Solid Waste4,791.32Road & Bridge Cap Project70,243.96RCPD Levy/Op13,332.98Riley Co Fire Dist #13,478.92
TOTAL. \$425,805.66
RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Dave Lewis, County Commissioner SECONDER: Ronald Wells, County Commissioner AYES: Boyd, Wells, Lewis

Review Minutes
4. Board of Riley County Commissioners - Regular Meeting - Jan 5, 2015 8:30 AM
Move to approve the minutes.
RESULT: ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Dave Lewis, County Commissioner SECONDER: Ronald Wells, County Commissioner AYES: Boyd, Wells, Lewis

Review Tentative Agenda
5. Tentative Agenda
Press Conference Topics
6. Discuss Press Conference
9:00 AM Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services
7. Administrative Work Session
Holeman asked the Board if he could present the PBC power point to the Department Head Committee.
The Board agreed.
Holeman discussed the proposed intergovernmental support partnership agreements.
8. Contract with the Carter Group
Holeman presented the contract from The Carter Group for lobbying services.
The Board asked for the lobbying services fees to be budgeted in the County Commission Budget for 2016.
Move that the Board authorize the Chairman to sign the contract as presented.
RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Dave Lewis, County Commissioner SECONDER: Ronald Wells, County Commissioner AYES: Boyd, Wells, Lewis
9:20 AM Break
9:30 AM Shilo Heger, Treasurer
9. Treasurer Staff Report - January 2015
Heger presented the treasurer's staff report.

9:45 AM Lyle Butler, Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce
10. Economic Development update
Butler discussed next weeks Leaders Retreat. Butler discussed local economic activity.
Butler discussed the need for legislation for the collection of sales tax on internet purchases.

Lewis said in working closely in the community he attributes a lot of the success of our community directly to Butler's leadership and being an instrumental part.

10:00 AM Brenda Nickel, Health Department Director
Move to recess as the Board of County Commissioners and convene as the Board of Health.
RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Dave Lewis, County Commissioner SECONDER: Ronald Wells, County Commissioner AYES: Boyd, Wells, Lewis
11. Health Department Monthly Budget Review & Report to the Board of Health
Nickel presented the Health Department monthly budget review. Nickel presented the Message from the Board of Health for the annual report.

Move to approve the Message from Board of Health for the Annual Report.
RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Dave Lewis, County Commissioner SECONDER: Ronald Wells, County Commissioner AYES: Boyd, Wells, Lewis
12. Nickel discussed the space in the Family Child Resource Center which has become available since the KSU CDC ended their contract for the facilities.

Nickel discussed the space in the Family Child Resource Center which has become available since the KSU CDC contract ended. Nickel present the Health Department staff report.
Move to recess as the Board of Health and reconvene as the Board of County Commissioners.
RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Dave Lewis, County Commissioner SECONDER: Ronald Wells, County Commissioner AYES: Boyd, Wells, Lewis
10:30 AM Budget and Planning Committee - Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer
13. December Monthly Cash Flow Reports

The Board of County Commissioners Of Riley County, Kansas

The Regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners met at the Riley County Plaza East Building January 9, 2014 with the following members present: Dave Lewis, Chair; Robert Boyd, Vice Chair; Ron Wells, Member; and Rich Vargo, County Clerk.

8:30 Pledge of Allegiance
Public Comment, Commission Comments, & Business Meeting
Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Cindy Volanti, Human Resource Manager/Deputy Clerk; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Craig Cox, Assistant County Counselor; Monty Wedel, Planning/Special Projects Director; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; and Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer, attended.

Boyd moved to approve an Agreement for Professional Planning Services with Spencer Fane Britt & Brown for the preparation of digital sign regulations in the amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. Lewis seconded. Carried 3-0.

Boyd moved to approve an Agreement for Professional Services with Alfred Benesch & Company for engineering design of phase services for Daniels Drive bridge replacement project in the amount of \$27,680.00. Lewis seconded. Carried 3-0.

Boyd moved to sign the Real Estate Tax Roll Correction for Fayeze Hussein Trust (212-10-0-20-01-001.07-0) for tax year 2013. This results in a decrease in tax dollars of \$2803.46. Lewis seconded. Carried 3-0.

Boyd moved to sign the Real Estate Tax Roll Correction for Michael T. Heigert (263-07-0-20-07-006.00-0) for tax year 2013. This results in a decrease in tax dollars of \$1177.72. Lewis seconded. Carried 3-0.

Boyd moved to sign the Real Estate Tax Roll Correction for Apostolos Evangelidis Et ux (212-03-0-30-02-006.00-0) for tax year 2013. This results in a decrease in tax dollars of \$848.24. Lewis seconded. Carried 3-0.

Boyd moved to sign the Real Estate Tax Roll Correction for Kevin W. Howard (111-12-0-10-07-028.00-0) for tax year 2013. This results in a decrease in tax dollars of \$552.16. Lewis seconded. Carried 3-0.

Boyd moved to sign the Real Estate Tax Roll Correction for Donald S. & Hazel J. Sargent Trust (261-11-0-00-010.00-0) for tax year 2013. This results in a decrease in tax dollars of \$583.14. Lewis seconded. Carried 3-0.

Boyd moved to approve a Real Estate Sales Data Search Service Agreement with Joseph Roth for the Appraiser's Office. Wells seconded. Carried 3-0.

Wells moved to sign the Real Estate Tax Roll Correction for Robert L. Boyd Jr. Et ux (172-04-0-00-00-003.01-0) for tax year 2013. This results in a decrease in tax dollars of \$372.66. Lewis seconded. Carried 2-0. Boyd abstained.

Boyd moved to approve the payroll vouchers in the amount of \$291,069.02 and the following warrant vouchers for January 10, 2014:

2014 Budget	
County General	\$438,162.87
Health Department	53,141.21
Riley Co Juvenile Service	6,649.96
Motor Vehicle Operations	6,478.03
21st Jud Dist Teen Court	1,362.51
Riley Co Adult Services	12,327.59
Economic Development	14,127.26
Emergency 911	1,200.00
Solid Waste	4,708.80
Road & Bridge Cap Project	60.00
RCPD Levy/Op	12,509.81
Riley Co Fire Dist #1	3,232.15
TOTAL.	\$553,960.19

2013 Budget	
County General	\$43,345.76
Health Department	1,777.66
Riley Co Juvenile Service	47.72
Motor Vehicle Operations	49.14
21st Jud Dist Teen Court	12.02
Riley Co Adult Services	73.73
Emergency 911	29,208.11
Solid Waste	36.23
County Building	15,307.35
Road & Bridge Cap Project	7,597.06
RCPD Levy/Op	3,298.01
Riley Co Fire Dist #1	26.68
University Park W&S	579.49
Hunters Island Water Dist	656.18
Deep Creek Capital Replac	800.00
Moehlman Bottoms	453.38
Valleywood Operations	95.28
Konza Water Operations	2,169.56
Univ Park W&S Cap Reserve	12,300.00
TOTAL.	\$117,833.36

Wells seconded. Carried 3-0.
Boyd moved to approve the minutes of January 6, 2014. Wells seconded. Carried 3-0.

9:00 Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services
Administrative Work Session
Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; and Corene Brisendine, Manhattan Mercury, attended.
Holeman presented an update on pending county projects.
9:30 Eileen King, Treasurer
Trent Armbrust, Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; and Corene Brisendine, Manhattan Mercury, attended.

King presented monthly financial reports.
9:45 Lyle Butler, Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce
Trent Armbrust, Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; and Corene Brisendine, Manhattan Mercury, attended.
Butler presented an economic development update.

10:04 Budget and Planning Committee - Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer
Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer; Trent Armbrust, Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; and Corene Brisendine, Manhattan Mercury, attended.

Shepek presented a CIP, county building, economic development, and 1/2 cent sales tax update.

10:13 Brenda Nickel, Health Department Director
Shelly Hayes, Administrative Analyst; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Trent Armbrust, Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; and Corene Brisendine, Manhattan Mercury, attended.

Boyd moved to recess as the Riley County Commission and convene as the Riley County Board of Health. Wells seconded. Carried 3-0.

Nickel presented a Riley County Health Department monthly report.

Boyd moved to recess as the Riley County Board of Health and reconvene as the Riley County Commission. Wells seconded. Carried 3-0.

10:50 Gail Urban
Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Trent Armbrust, Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; Jon Brake, Free Press; Greg Lund, Parks Manager; and Corene Brisendine, Manhattan Mercury, attended.

Urban provided an update on the Fieldhouse project.
Urban requested that Riley County work with the City of Manhattan, Geary County, and Pottawatomie County on the Fieldhouse project and fund the \$10,000 request for the Fieldhouse project in the spring of 2014. The Board asked Urban to return at a later date to continue discussion on the Fieldhouse project.

11:32 Pat Collins, Emergency Management Director
Fire District portable radio bids
Scott Fischer, KaComm President; Mark Grabar, Topeka TBS Electronics; Jon Martin, Topeka Motorola Solutions, Inc.; David Vance, Riley County EMS; RJ Meierhoff, KaComm, Inc.; Doug Schmitt, Assistant Fire Chief; and Michelle Rutherford, EMS, attended.

P. Collins reviewed the radio bid process.
P. Collins presented the following alternatives:
Agree to the bid award as previously awarded.
Reject all bids and rebid.
Reject only the portable radio bid award and leave the mobile radio bid award alone.

Stop The Building Commission... Elect Two New Commissioner... and Take Your Vote Back



Riley County Commissioners Ron Wells and Bob Boyd voted to form the Riley County Building Commission. If they stay in office and start financing Riley County and Manhattan building projects the citizens of Riley County will not vote on another City or County building project again. If they decide to run for re-election it will be in 2016.

What is next?

The Riley County Commission have signed the papers forming a Riley County Building Commission. It can not be stopped.

What the voters of Riley County can do for the next two years is watch the Commissioners. If they try to use the Building Commission, voters need to put together a petition to take the project to a vote of the people and turn it down.

In two years Commissioners Bob Boyd and Ron Wells will be up for re-election, vote them out of office and replace them with two who will kill the Building Commission.

Any two Commissioners can change anything that these Commissioner have put together but if a building is constructed using the Building Commission it can not be stopped until the Bonds have been paid off. It might be a long time coming. The County Commissioners (see the video at manhattanfreepress.com) have been talking about a 50-year bond issue for a new Courthouse.

If this continues you will see the Building Commission become the lending agency for the City, County, School District and the State of Kansas. You will not have another vote on any new buildings projects in Manhattan or Riley County

Check out the Videos of the two meetings the Riley County Commission held on a Public Building Commission at our web site: manhattan-freepress.com

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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

Kansas Press Association **AP**

Report finds 'dark money' scolder CMD doesn't disclose union donations

By M.D. Kittle: Watchdog
MADISON, Wis. — The Center for Media and Democracy likes to position itself as a crusader against anonymous contributions in the political realm.

But despite CMD's self-righteous fight against so-called "dark money" in politics, the left-wing propaganda machine apparently doesn't mind keeping the public in the dark about some big labor union checks it has cashed.

In fact, mega labor donors make up a pretty sizable share of CMD's revenue, according to a new review of the organization's latest tax records by the Center for Union Facts, a nonprofit 501(c)(3) that "fights for transparency and accountability in America's labor movement."

Madison-based CMD, a "critical cog in the Wisconsin liberal-progressive infrastructure network, has taken significant funding from major labor unions in recent years," Union Facts states.

In 2013, \$118,000 in identifiable union expenditures went to CMD, accounting for nearly 14 percent of the organization's contribution and grant revenue.

It should be no surprise that this mouthpiece of organized labor has taken so much union money.

As CMD's executive director Lisa Graves told Wisconsin Reporter Friday, "CMD is a union shop, and we work with community groups including unions and other non-profits to help spread the word on corporate distortion of public policy."

Graves sent a follow-up email hastening to point out that "union shop" means that "we collectively bargain with our staff and I trust that term won't be mischaracterized."

Graves called the undisclosed union donations "a small percent of its overall funding."

What is interesting is that CMD, purveyor of the evil conservative "dark money" narrative, has failed to disclose donations from the big labor unions on its contributor list.

Conspicuously absent are the

three international labor unions known to fund CMD: The American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, the AFL-CIO, and Service Employees International Union.

"CMD — which purports to accept 'donations from individuals and philanthropic foundations through gifts and grants' and lists what it purports to be a list of past and current foundation funders — does not explicitly acknowledge (in its IRS filings or on its website) that it receives significant funding from labor unions," the Center for Union Facts report notes.

But CMD's undisclosed donations aren't "dark money," Graves contends.

"... (A)s we have made clear time and time again 'dark money' is money spent on ads to influence elections without disclosing the donors and the reason it is called 'dark' money is because money given directly to an electoral candidate is supposed to be disclosed to prevent corruption of politicians and lawmaking," Graves said. "The agenda to paint us with that brush ignores the plain meaning and context of that term, which I wonder if you will print."

Yet, CMD has shrilly criticized conservative organizations, such as Wisconsin Reporter's parent company, the Franklin Center for Government and Public Integrity, for accepting anonymous, undisclosed donations — something CMD seems to have no problem doing with its big, secret union checks.

And how's this for a little quid pro quo?

"Koch-Tied Group Pushes New Union Busting Bill in Wisconsin."

"ALEC Bills Quash Public Sector Unions, New Study Finds."

Those are just two of many headlines found at CMD's left-wing, big labor-cheering site, PR Watch, one of several liberal propaganda machines run by CMD. The "dark money" conspiracy theorists publishes a lot of union advocacy stories, presumably using the big checks organized labor is sending CMD's way.

But so what. That's not illegal. CMD has every right to support causes and organizations it deems important, as do right-of-center groups. And they can all do so under the constitutional protections of anonymous speech that have existed since before the founding of this nation.

CMD wants to change the rules, however — at least for their conservative enemies.

There was a time, about four years ago, when CMD eschewed contributions from

The Conservative Side...



organized labor.

"CMD does NOT accept corporate, labor union or government grants," the organization's website stated as late as November 2010.

On Dec. 20, 2010, according to a Center for Union Facts analysis of the Internet cache, CMD removed 'labor unions' from the prohibited list of

donors.

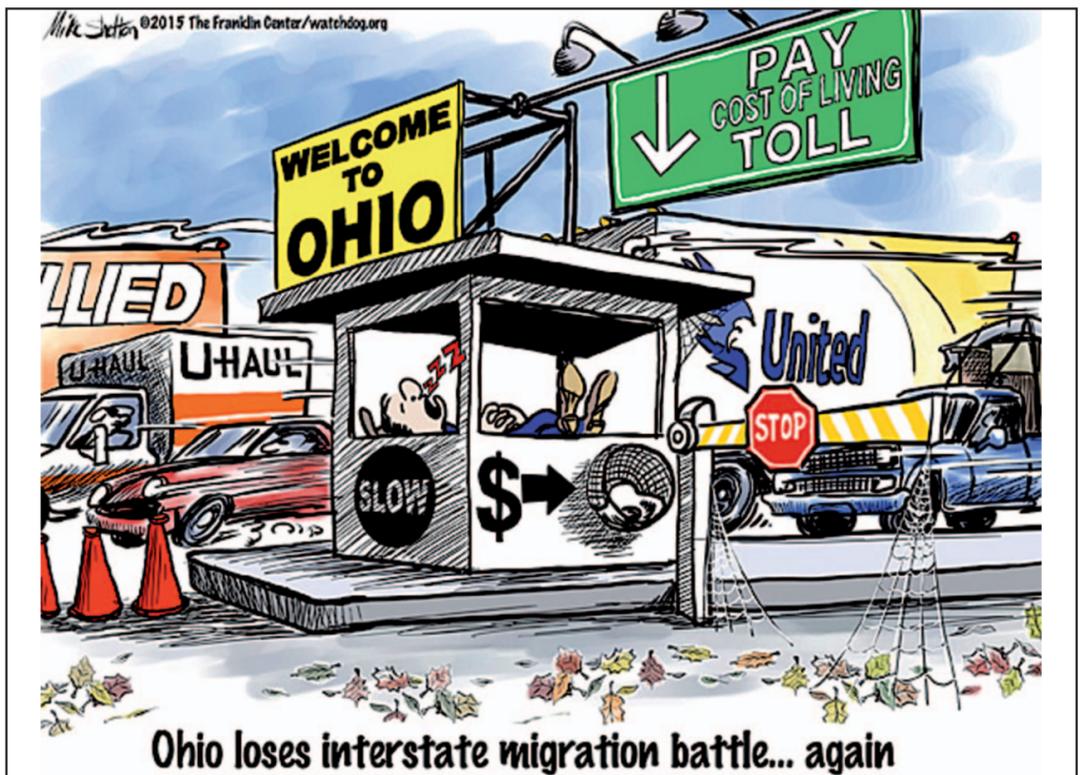
"CMD does NOT accept money from corporations or grants from government agencies. Contributions from individuals and non-profit organizations are accepted ..." the organization boasted.

"The statement that CMD would not take money from labor unions quietly disap-

peared," Union Facts report states. "It is unknown precisely why this occurred, although the closeness to the 2010 (general) elections cannot be ignored."

Within days of Republicans sweeping into office in Wisconsin, led by Scott Walker's victory as governor, union donations seemingly became acceptable to CMD.

Big Labor soon camped out in the state, leading protests of thousands against Walker's public sector collective bargaining reforms known as Act 10, and driving a failed recall campaign against the Republican governor, his lieutenant governor and Republican senators in 2011 and 2012.



King Crossword — Answers

Solution time: 27 mins.

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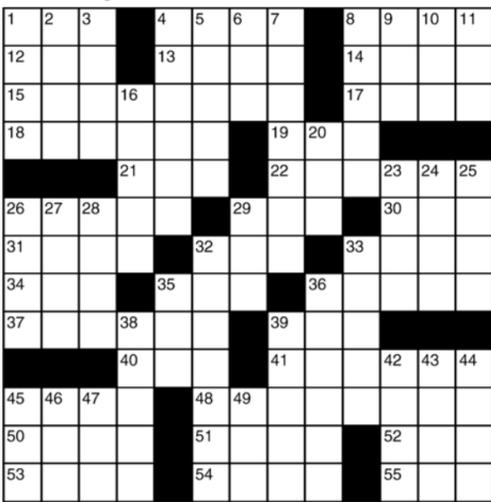
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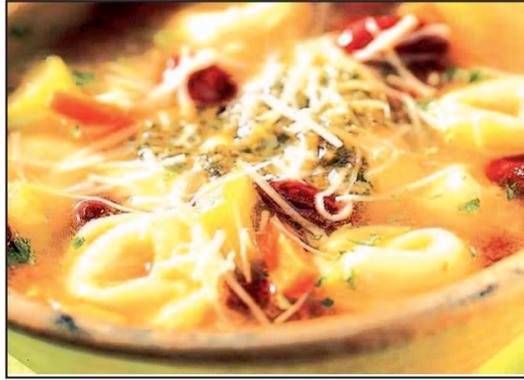
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King Crossword

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 - 15 Escalade, e.g.
 - 17 Troop group
 - 18 Veer
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 - 21 Help
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 - 35 "Monty Python" opener
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- DOWN**
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 - 9 Coffee shop vessel
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 - 26 Spotted
 - 27 United nations
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 - 29 On the rocks
 - 30 Clear the tables
 - 31 Sign
 - 32 painter's aid
 - 33 Hammerstein's contribution
 - 35 Jr.'s junior
 - 36 Study
 - 38 Nerdy sort
 - 39 Utah city
 - 42 Mountain-top
 - 43 Whine
 - 44 Get a glimpse of
 - 45 Occupation
 - 46 "The — Daba Honeymoon"
 - 47 Neither mate
 - 49 Big bother



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Tortellini, Bean and Pesto Soup

Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 1 garlic clove, finely chopped
- 1 medium carrot, cut into julienne strips
- 1 medium onion, chopped (1/2 cup)
- 1 medium celery stalk, chopped (1/2 cup)
- 6 cups water
- 2 teaspoons vegetable or chicken bouillon granules
- 1 can (19 oz) Progresso™ red kidney beans, drained, rinsed
- 1 package (10 ounces) dried cheese-filled tortellini (2 1/2 cups)
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh parsley
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 6 tablespoons basil pesto
- 6 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan cheese

Directions

- 1 Melt butter in 4-quart Dutch oven over medium-low heat. Cook garlic, carrot, onion and celery in butter 10 minutes, stirring occasionally.
- 2 Stir in water and bouillon granules. Heat to boiling; reduce heat. Stir in beans and tortellini. Cover and simmer about 20 minutes, stirring occasionally, until tortellini are tender.
- 3 Stir in parsley and pepper. Top each serving with pesto and cheese. Serve immediately.

Expert Tips

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No. 9 Iowa State holds off K-State 77-71

By LUKE MEREDITH
AP Sports Writer

AMES, Iowa (AP) Kansas State showed its surprising start in the Big 12 wasn't a fluke.

Iowa State proved it could win the kind of games that teams with title aspirations need to win.

Monte Morris hit a floater with 37 seconds left and No. 9 Iowa State held off the Wildcats 77-71 on Tuesday night, moving into a tie for first place in the Big 12.

Jameel McKay tied a career high with 15 points off the bench for the Cyclones (14-3, 4-1), who joined No. 11 Kansas atop the league. Iowa State beat Kansas in Ames 86-81 on Saturday.

This one was just as tough for the Cyclones. But they held K-State scoreless from the 4:04 mark of the second half until a meaningless basket just before the buzzer.

"I was really proud of the way they finished the game," Iowa State coach Fred Hoiberg said. "But at the same time, I talked about how we're going to get everybody's best effort. They're going to look at us now and see that No. 9 in front of our name and they're going to come out swinging."

Kansas State turned it over at mid-court after Morris put the Cyclones ahead 73-69. That miscue allowed Iowa State to seal the game at the line.

Nino Williams had a career-high 22 points for Kansas State (11-8, 4-2), whose winning streak was snapped at four games.

"I thought our offense was good," Kansas State coach Bruce Weber said. "But down the stretch, you've got to make the plays that make the difference."

Kansas State made a surprising early run through the Big 12 by playing great defense. But the Wildcats had yet to see



Kansas State Coach Bruce Weber talks with Nigel Johnson during a game. (Photo by Ben Brake)

an offense as potent as Iowa State, the Big 12's leader at 80.3 points per game entering play.

Still, Kansas State pushed the Cyclones for over 39 minutes with some quality offense of their own.

Williams turned a steal into a layup to help K-State jump ahead 54-49, as the Wildcats hit 6 of their first 10 shots to open the second half.

Iowa State finally retook the lead, 71-69, with 2:48 left on a pair of Naz Long free throws following a crucial block by Abdel Nader.

McKay then grabbed a loose ball and wisely called timeout with 1:09 left and the Cyclones still up by two.

Georges Niang had 14 points and Morris and Nader each had

11 for Iowa State.

"Abdel sprinting back on defense and blocking that shot and Jameel diving on the floor and calling that timeout, I just think we have a bunch of winners in our circle that make winning plays," Niang said.

Kansas State was 15 of 16 from the free throw line, and Marcus Foster scored 16 points. But the Wildcats allowed their most points since Purdue scored 79 on them on Nov. 24.

TIP-INS
Iowa State: The Cyclones are 4-1 in the Big 12 for the first time since 1999-2000. They won the Big 12 regular season title that season. Iowa State has also won 17 straight at home.

Kansas State: Williams scored 10 points in the opening

7:08. The Wildcats finished the first half on a 9-3 run to close to within 39-38.

STAT LINES
Thomas Gipson had 15 points, including 7 of 7 from the line, for Kansas State. The Wildcats also had 20 assists on 26 baskets, while Iowa State had just 15 on 27 field goals. The game featured 11 lead changes and 10 ties, and neither team led by more than eight points.

QUOTEABLE
"We allowed them to be too comfortable. That urgency wasn't quite the same as it was in the last four minutes," Hoiberg said of Kansas State's strong shooting effort.

K-State Falls in 2nd Half to Iowa State

KSU Sports Information
MANHATTAN, Kan. — Playing in front of a season-high crowd on Saturday night, Kansas State responded with a strong first half but Iowa State shot themselves to a 79-59 win over the Wildcats in the second half.

The Basics

• Score: Iowa State 79, Kansas State 59

• Records: Kansas State (11-5, 1-4 Big 12), Iowa State (12-4, 3-2 Big 12)

• Quick Hitter: A close game was broken open in the second half, as Iowa State used a 13-3 run to distance themselves from the Wildcats on Saturday night.

• Leaders: Sophomore Breanna Lewis tallied 15 points, while junior Deborah Meeks registered 10 points and four rebounds off the bench for the Wildcats. Iowa State had three players score in double figures led by Nikki Moody with 20 points and 12 assists off the bench.

First Half

• K-State got off to a solid start, holding a 12-5 lead following an Erica Young jumper with 13:51 to play.

• The teams traded the lead seven times in the first half, as the Cyclones captured a seven-point lead with 1:26 to play.



Shaelyn Martin (50) drives for the basket. (Photo by Tonya Ricklefs)

• K-State cut the deficit to two at the half, 37-35, as Deborah Meeks drove the length of the floor for a three-point play with 43.7 seconds remaining and Antoinette Taylor found Ashia Woods for a fast break layup with 25 seconds left.

• The Wildcats shot .556 (15-of-27) from the field in the half and outrebounded the Cyclones, 14-13. K-State recorded 22 points in the paint in the opening frame.

Second Half

• Kansas State trailed by one, 44-43 with 14:29 to play fol-

lowing a Woods fast break layup. Over the next four minutes, Iowa State broke open a tight game with a 13-3 run to take control of the game.

• The Wildcats were able to only get as 10 late in the game, as the Cyclones ended the game on a 11-1 run to build their lead to 20 to end the game.

• K-State shot just .281 (9-of-32) from the floor in the second half, while Iowa State registered a .577 (15-of-26) effort including 7-of-13 from deep.

Game Totals
• Iowa State connected on

14-of-33 from beyond the 3-point line. The 14 made 3-point field goals are a new record for a K-State opponent and a new opponent record for Bramlage Coliseum.

• K-State finished the night shooting .407 (24-of-59) from the field, but were just 2-of-12 from beyond the 3-point line.

• The Wildcats pocketed 10 steals on Saturday for the 12th time this season.

Noteworthy

• Saturday was the 84th meeting between K-State and Iowa State. K-State leads the series, 48-36.

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Kansas State holds on late to beat No. 22 Baylor, 63-61

By **DAVE SKRETTA**
AP Sports Writer

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — Nino Williams possess an old man's game. He loves to shoot baseline jumpers, prefers layups to dunks. The next time he takes a 3-pointer might just be the first.

In short, he has the perfect game for taking down Baylor's zone defense.

Kansas State's senior forward had 18 points to fuel a big second-half rally Saturday, and then helped the Wildcats force hot-handed guard Kenny Chery into missing a layup at the buzzer that preserved a 63-61 victory over the No. 22 Bears.

"I thought I was in the groove," Williams said. "I got a couple of easy ones, the crowd got into it. Once the crowd got into it, everyone had energy."

Marcus Foster added 11 points and Thomas Gipson finished with nine for the Wildcats (10-7, 4-1 Big 12), who have bounced back from an ugly non-conference run to win their fourth straight.

"They've come back and fought and listened and been coachable, and that's what we talk about a lot: We try to stay positive," Kansas State coach Bruce Weber said.

The Wildcats trailed by as many as 12 in the second half before taking their first lead with about 6 minutes to go. The Bears (13-4, 2-3) were still within 61-58 with 45 seconds left, but Chery and Lester Medford each missed open 3-pointers that would have tied it.

Nigel Johnson made one of two foul shots for Kansas State, and Chery quickly raced the other way for layup with 5.4 seconds to go. And after Thomas Gipson was fouled and made his second of two free throws, Chery's runner to the left of the lane bounced off the rim as the buzzer sounded.

Chery, who hit the winner with 4

seconds left against No. 11 Iowa State this week, finished with 21 points for Baylor. Taurean Prince added 20 points off the bench.

"First, you have to give them credit on the defense, and second, we made some mistakes, too," Baylor coach Scott Drew. "There's some layups we missed that you have to make in Big 12 play."

The Bears made life miserable for the Wildcats at the start, turning them over six times in the first 5 minutes and building a 13-2 lead by the time many fans had found their seats.

Kansas State, no defensive slouch itself, finally settled into a rhythm midway through the half. Starting with a dunk by pint-sized point guard Jevon Thomas, the Wildcats rattled off a 12-0 run over more than 7 minutes, whittling a 14-point lead to 24-22 with 2:04 left.

Prince and Chery answered with consecutive 3-pointers, and then Chery knocked down one more in Thomas's face as the buzzer sounded to give Baylor a 33-24 halftime lead.

The Bears kept the defensive pressure up in the second half, double-teaming at the top of the key and forcing Kansas State's inconsistent post players to beat them.

The plan was working for a while as Baylor held tight to a 51-42 lead with 9:26 to go. But about the same time Foster went to the bench with his fourth foul, the Wildcats took off, driving the lane for fouls and going on a 17-2 charge that allowed them to take their first lead.

Despite a nip-and-tuck final few minutes, the Wildcats held on for their 11th win in their last 14 games against ranked teams at Bramlage Coliseum.

"Everybody in the Big 12 is a good team. Nobody can really get comfortable at home," Williams said. "We were fortunate to make a couple of easy baskets."



Kansas State Marcus Foster (2) hit drives hard to the basket against Baylor. (Photo by Ben Brake)

K-State Men upset Baylor Bears 63 to 61

Kansas State was facing #22 Baylor Bears on Saturday in Bramlage after two hard fought wins against Texas Tech and Oklahoma. There were serious reasons to have concerns about how K-State would fair in the Big 12 after the Cats dropped two games pre-season, and the Big 12 opener in Stillwater. But, the Cats rebounded nicely with three straight Big 12 wins. Facing Baylor would be another challenge from a ranked Big 12 team, but they should feel confident that they could handle it after upsetting OU at home. The starting Line up for K-State against Baylor was Jevon Thomas, Marcus Foster, Nino Williams, Wesley Iwundu and Thomas Gipson.

The first thing noticeable factor in the game was both teams were playing some pretty sloppy ball. They both quickly had bad passes turning the ball over, and at first neither team is capitalizing on those turnovers. That did not last for long. Soon, Baylor was taking advantage of Kansas State's mistakes. Within the first five minutes of the game Kansas State had only two points, but 5 turnovers. Soon, that changes though, but it becomes six points and six turnovers. Baylor does begin to capitalize on these turnovers and Kansas State cannot get their offense to click. Foster was cold to start, and Gipson was having some trouble getting to the basket.

The other nightmare early was Baylor's player Kenny Chery. By the time Kansas State had a team total of 10 points, Chery had 10 points of his own. In the first half Chery couldn't miss a 3-pointer making 4 of 4, and hit 6 of 7 for field goals. By the time Kansas State began to get their offense going, Chery had buried them 33 to 24 at the half.

In the second half Kansas State



Wesley Iwundu starts off on a fast break. (Photo by Ben Brake)

started out shooting well and causing Baylor some problems, but after getting within 6, quickly fell behind by 10. K-state was needing better defensive rebounding. At one point, Baylor got three looks and the Cats were just lucky that they did not make it. The other adjustment that the Cats had made at halftime was that Wesley

Iwundu had begun to make trouble for Kenny Chery. With Chery shut down, the Cats began to crawl back into the game.

Kansas State took the lead from Baylor with Justin Edwards shooting two free throws with 6:24 left in the game. With a Nino Williams foul Baylor was tied back up with the Cats 54 all. What became very scary during

the game is that with 4 minutes left both Nino Williams, the scoring leader, and Marcus Foster, who was right behind him, had 4 fouls each. With time running out, Baylor began to foul Kansas State. With the final possession going to Baylor, Baylor went for the tie and Kansas State's defense was able to hold the Bears off for the win. 63-61

The exciting part of the win on Saturday was that Kansas lost on the road in Ames to Iowa State. This loss put Kansas State on the top of the Big 12 with a Big 12 record 4-1. This will be challenging to stay on top with a road trip to Iowa State on Wednesday night.

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