

Seventh Road Takes New Dip For Old Mine Shaft



Blue Rapids Police Chief Ryan Woodyard talks to Dan Gallagher about the new dip in 7th Road. The road and part of a field has caved into an old mine shaft. 7th Road going north is just west of the pipeline pump house going north. (Photo by Deb Barrington)



Seventh Road is not a place to go these days.

Blue Rapids High School Alumni Association Meeting

The Blue Rapids High School Alumni Association invites all alumni of BRHS to the annual banquet on Saturday, May 23, 2015 at the Blue Rapids Community Center. The social time begins at 5:30 p.m. with the dinner following at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$12.50 each and are to be purchased in advance at The State Bank of Blue Rapids, PO Box 157, Blue Rapids, KS 66411, 785-363-7721. When ordering tickets, please indicate your year of

graduation and the class with whom you desire to sit. The deadline for purchasing tickets is Friday, May 15.

The class of 1965 will observe the 50th anniversary of their graduation from BRHS.

Symphony Conductor Coming to Marysville

Kyle Wiley Pickett will do a lot of talking when he comes to 27 and 28. Pickett, the music director and conductor for the Topeka Symphony Orchestra, will be in the county to promote Orchestra on the . While here the Marshall County Arts Cooperative has scheduled many conversations with the maestro.

“Kyle is a dynamic speaker,” said John Schwartz, producer for Orchestra on the . “He is passionate about the arts and has a strong conviction about how the arts build communities. While he’s here we want to provide opportunities for people to talk to him and learn about the orchestra’s concert at Alcove Spring.”

A will be Monday, April 27, from 4:30 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. at the for Fine Art, Marysville. The public is invited to this free event.

“We’re serving a light meal, providing drinks, and having some live entertainment,” Schwartz said. “We’re doing all we can to encourage people to come to this mixer.”

The informal reception will give people the chance to meet Pickett and hear about his ideas for the orchestra’s concert on September 6. The concert will take place at one of the meadows at .

“Kyle is one of the leading music directors in the nation,” Schwartz explained. “This is a rare opportunity for people to spend some one-on-one time with him.”

Pickett looks forward to meeting area residents and conversing with them. This notion isn’t new to him. When he was the music director of the Juneau Symphony Orchestra in he instituted a popular pre-concert series called “Conversation with the Conductor.” While in the orchestra saw unprecedented artistic and administrative growth and tripled its budget.



Kyle Wiley Pickett

Organizers of Orchestra on the will be at the reception with Pickett to explain the event and talk about how to buy tickets. May 1 is the date tickets go on sale for the general public.

“There are a limited number of tickets,” explained Mandy Cook, one of the event’s volunteers. “This isn’t the event where you want to wait until the last minute to buy tickets. We’re encouraging people to purchase early.”

Those who attend the

Community Conversation will have the opportunity to view the paintings of Mary Louise Tejada Brown. Brown’s paintings are part of the art center’s permanent collection and are displayed during the month of April.

“When you come to this event you’ll be surrounded by the arts,” Schwartz said. “You’ll be in good company.”

For more information about the reception or Orchestra on the , people may call 844-252-6830.

Media is snowblind to school “budget cuts” and Scheduling realities

By David Dorsey
Kansas Policy Institute
Contestant: “Alex, I’ll take ‘Media Bias’ for 200.”
Alex: “It’s what the news media calls a ‘snow day’ in Kansas.”
Contestant: “What is a budget cut?”
Alex: “Correct!”

Although to my knowledge that answer/question combination has never been on Jeopardy!, it certainly would be appropriate the way the media continues to misrepresent the state of education funding in the Sunflower State.

An article in Education Week and this similar one in the Huffington Post, both of which were published April 3, used sensationalized headlines and irresponsible reporting to contrive a false financial crisis for the state’s public schools. Both headlines, the Huffington Posts “Kansas Schools Will Close Early This Spring For Lack Of Funds” and Education Week’s “Funding Cuts Force Kansas Districts to End School Year Early,” even make it appear that all 286 school districts will be starting summer vacation early this year. The reality is that there are only two: Concordia (USD 333) and Twin Valley (USD 240) and the headlines are false. It’s not a disastrous a financial picture that is precipitating a shorter school year, the districts are

State Aid excluding KPERs, Special Education and Bond & Interest Aid*							
USD #	County	District Name	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2014-17 Change
240	Ottawa	Twin Valley	4,484,830	4,655,847	4,639,147	4,670,839	4.1%
333	Cloud	Concordia	7,104,188	7,299,595	7,316,233	7,367,377	3.7%

Source: Kansas Dept. of Education. *Per KSDE, a few smaller aid programs are also not included such as juvenile detention facilities, parents as teachers, pre-K pilot and school food service.

Concordia State Funding has increased by 3.7%, Twin Valley by 4.1%.

merely forgoing some unused snow days. The Education Week piece cited this Salina Journal article to support their assertion that it is Governor Brownback’s late year funding cuts and the new block grant funding law (which restored those cuts) that have precipitated the early dismissal. But regardless of the misleading headline, the Salina Journal story gives a much different picture of the real reasons those districts chose to end their schools years ahead of the original schedule.

Concordia has chosen to cut six days from the current school calendar. Their buildings will close four days early and there will be no school two other days. However, contrary to the article’s premise, the Salina Journal piece did not quote Concordia Superintendent Bev Mortimer as using budget constraints as a reason, although both Education Week and the

Huffington Post chose to make that inference in relying heavily from that article. Specifically, Superintendent Mortimer cited one reason for the decision is to provide a perk to the teachers. “We haven’t been able to give raises to teachers like we like. One thing we could give them is some time...It was one positive thing we could do for our staff.” And they are able to give teachers that time by cashing in their unused snow days. “We would have done some of these [snow]days anyway,” the superintendent said. “We might not have chosen to do all six of them.”

Mortimer did state, however, that the decision would save USD 333 about \$30,000. To put that dollar figure in perspective, the district’s total budget for the current school year is in excess of \$18 million, putting the savings at 0.2%. Furthermore, Concordia’s cash reserves at the beginning of the last two schools years

have exceeded \$800,000.

So much for a financial crisis. Twin Valley’s situation is not unlike that of Concordia. That district decided to forgo 7.5 “discretionary days” as they call them and end the year on May 8 instead of May 20. As an example of sensationalistic reporting, Huffington Post implies the students are missing 12 days of schools. (Maybe they think kids in Kansas go to school on the weekends?)

“Discretionary days?” Sounds like more unused snow days? Schools build into their calendar. Although the Salina Journal quoted Twin Valley Superintendent Jan Neufeld as saying, “Twin Valley’s ‘financial status’ was among the reasons” for the decision, she “declined to guess how much the district would save” by ending the school year earlier. Again, it sounds like much more than just financial considerations. How can you blame a funding cut for ending the school early

if you don’t know how much money it will save? Twin Valley also had healthy cash reserves in excess of half a million dollars each of the last two years.

These financial conditions provide a reality that is a far cry from Education Week’s claim that “education funding cuts are forcing two Kansas districts to end the school year early.” What the media outlets failed to report is that both districts will still meet state law requirements for the number of days or hours students will be in school for the year.

Also, the media has been spewing misinformation that the new block grant funding approach will result in a cut of dollars to education. As the table below shows, both districts are receiving increases this school year, not decreases. Concordia will get nearly \$200,000 more than 2013-14 and Twin Valley will receive over \$170,000 more. The impact statewide is similar. Record state aid to education will continue under the block grants to the tune of 5.6% additional money allocated to schools over a three year period.

So, is there any evidence that schools in Kansas are teetering on the edge of a fiscal cliff?

As Alex Trebek would say: “No, sorry.”

See more on pages 2 & 3

Wyatt Townley final event as Poet Laureate of Kansas

TOPEKA: The Kansas Humanities Council (KHC) announced that Wyatt Townley will be presenting her final presentation as Poet Laureate of Kansas at the Koester House Museum in Marysville on Thursday, April 30. The event, "Coming Home to Poetry," will begin at 7 PM.

Townley began her two-year term as Poet Laureate of Kansas in 2013. In this role, she

has promoted the humanities as a public resource for all Kansans through public presentations and discussions about poetry in communities across the state and a statewide newspaper column. She lives in Shawnee Mission, Kan.

"When Wyatt was chosen as Poet Laureate of Kansas, the selection committee knew her talents and charismatic presence. What we didn't fully

realized was Wyatt's passion for the position and her devotion to sharing poetry with Kansans statewide," said Julie Mulvihill, KHC Executive Director. "While the humanities connect us to the larger human experience, her poetry magnified it. The Kansas Humanities Council is grateful for this gift Wyatt shared with all of us."

As Poet Laureate, Townley presented "Coming Home to Poetry" and poetry readings to 68 organizations across Kansas. Her newspaper column, "HomeWords," was published for 53 weeks and featured 105 cinquain poems written by Kansans a number that reflects the 105 counties of the state.

Obituaries

Anna "Susie L. Genschoreck

Anna "Susie" L. Genschoreck, 90, of Frankfort, KS, died Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at the Frankfort Community Care Home.

A funeral service were held at 10 a.m., Saturday, April 11 at the Salem Lutheran Church near Axtell. Visitation will be one hour prior to service time. Burial was in the Home City

Cemetery. Susie was born on a farm near Vermillion, KS, on June 6, 1924 to Vern and Marie (Hayes) Carlson. After graduating from Vermillion High School, Susie taught in several rural schools.

On February 27, 1952, she was united in marriage to Elvin Genschoreck. Susie and Elvin

lived and worked on the farm in Marshall County before retiring to Home City where they lived until Elvin's death in August of 1991.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; and two brothers, Dale Carlson and Wally Carlson.

Survivors include sister-in-law, Margaret Carlson, Manhattan; and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial fund is established to the Salem Lutheran Church. Contributions may be sent in care of Padden Funeral Chapel, Frankfort.

John Alfred "Johnny Harper

John Alfred "Johnny" Harper, 91, of Frankfort, KS, passed away April 7, 2015 at the Frankfort Community Care Home.

Visitation was Friday, April 10 from noon to 8 p.m. at Padden Funeral Chapel in Frankfort.

A funeral service was held at 10 a.m., Saturday, April 11 at the First Presbyterian Church in Frankfort.

Burial was in the Frankfort Cemetery. John was born December 11, 1923, on a farm west of Frankfort, the son of John Justin "Junk" and Marguerite (Morton) Harper. He attended a rural grade school near Frankfort and was graduated from Frankfort High School in 1941.

After attending Kansas State University for one year, he enlisted in the U. S. Army Air Corp in October 1942. He was stationed at Fort Worth, Texas, for one year and served two years in World War II in England, France, Germany, and Belgium, where he worked in ground crews for P-47 airplanes.

John was married to Dorothy Bronaugh on September 9, 1945. She preceded him in death on September 29, 1970. On November 14, 1971, he married Bette Brun Dierking of Atchison, who preceded him in death on December 23, 2006. He had five children, Kay (Ron) Harper Gammon of Oak Harbor, Washington, Peggy Harper Seematter who preceded him in death on December 8,

1972, Janet (Mike) Harper Schooler, of Riley, Kansas, Drew (Joanne) Dierking of Lander, Wyoming, and Cathy (Jerry) Dierking Venters of Kansas City, Missouri.

Following WWII, John worked for implement dealers in Manhattan and Marysville for six years before moving to Frankfort in 1951 and beginning his career as a farmer. He farmed west of Frankfort until 1982. Between 1983 and 1996, the Harpers spent their winters in Corpus Christi, Texas, and their summers in Frankfort, finally retiring full-time to Frankfort in 1996.

John was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Frankfort, where he served as an elder and sang in the choir.

He was a member of the American Legion and the VFW and served as a Master and held other offices in the Masonic Lodge. He enjoyed making contacts with people across the U.S. for many years as a ham radio operator.

In addition to four children, John is survived by eleven grandchildren and twenty-five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his only sister, Marjorie Mabel Harper, of Belpre, Ohio, in 1997.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Frankfort Community Care Home, First Presbyterian Church in Frankfort or the Frankfort Public Library. Contributions may be sent in care of Padden Funeral Chapel.

Leroy Outhet

Leroy Outhet, 88, of Oketo, KS, died Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at the Frankfort Community Care Home.

Visitation was Thursday, April 9, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Kinsley Mortuary in Marysville. The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m.

A funeral service was held at 10 a.m., Friday, April 10 at the Oketo United Methodist Church with Rev. Shirley Edgerton officiating.

Burial was in the Oketo Cemetery.

Leroy was born on August 17, 1926 at his Grandma Barnes' home south of Oketo to Wesley and Cassie (Barnes) Outhet. In 1943, he graduated from Oketo High School. He proudly served in the United States Navy from July 24, 1944 to June 5, 1946 aboard the USS LSN 375.

On May 30, 1947, he married Leona Mae Behrens at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church in Marysville. He was a member of the Oketo Methodist Church. Leroy spent most of his 88 years in the small town that he loved before moving to Marysville in 2008 due to

health issues. In 2012, he moved to Frankfort.

Leroy worked as a section foreman for the Union Pacific Railroad for 38 years until retiring in 1991. He enjoyed gardening, watching birds, and fishing, fishing, fishing with his children, grandchildren and friends. He never went anywhere without his fishing pole and a small tackle box.

Survivors include his daughter, June (Mike) Kieffer, Marysville; sister, Maxine Warren, Wymore, NE; seven grandchildren, eleven great grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 57 years, Leona; daughter, Mary Rogers; son, Steve Outhet; grandson, Joshua Middleton; great-great-granddaughter, Riley Bigham; sisters, Clarice Brooks and Jean Prochaska-Prebyl; and brothers, Fred, Dale and James Outhet.

A memorial fund has been established and will be designated later. Contributions may be sent in care of Kinsley Mortuary. The information contained in any email and

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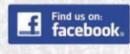


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Seniors: Dedication and Desire

**By Jerrika Chase
VHHS Journalism**

Haden Myles Botkin is the son of Sandy and Todd Tegmeier and Thad Botkin. He was born on September 20, 1996 and was raised in Blue Rapids, KS.

Haden has always been a mature person for his age and enjoys reading, watching the news, and enjoying a nice cup of coffee. "I read about a book a week. I also watch the news every day and keep up on current events."

Haden is involved in many clubs including: All School Play 4 years, Forensics 3 years, Journalism 1 year, Teens as Teachers 4 years, Peer mentor 1 year, Peer tutor 1 year, Art 1 year, Student Council 3 years, Model UN 2 years, Band 1 year, Scholars Bowl 2 years, VH Club 4 years, and FCA 3 years. He also is a part of the

Marshall County Arts Cooperative, New Hope EPC youth group, and the Marysville Berean youth group.

He also has held a few leadership roles including Jr. Class President, Student Council President, and FCA Leadership Team for 2 years.

The song that best describes Haden is "American Kids" by Kenny Chesney. He will always remember the All School Play every fall and getting to spend times with his friends. Also weekends at the square with his friends. His greatest influence in life has been, "All my family and friends because they have helped me through rough times and been my support system."

After high school Haden plans to attend Benedictine College in Atchison, Kansas and study theology. A future

goal for him is to receive his graduate degree and become a Theology professor. "I want people to remember me as someone who was always in a good mood and always smiling"

A quote that inspires him is "We must be willing to let go of the life we have planned so as to live the life that is waiting for us" E.M. Forster.



Haden Botkin

Trees are Tremendous to Blue Rapids

Nebraska City, NE – Blue Rapids has once again been recognized by the Kansas Forest Service and

the Arbor Day Foundation as a Tree City USA Community. Ceremonies were held in Nebraska City to pay tribute and recognize the 101 Kansas Communities that are actively managing their community forest. Blue Rapids has been recognized as a Tree City USA for 33 years.

To qualify for Tree City USA a community must designate a tree board or department by municipal ordinance to operate the program, have an annual budget of \$2 per capita and participate in

Arbor Day with a proclamation and tree planting ceremony.

"People tend to take trees for granted. That's why Blue Rapids' accomplishments in the Tree City

USA program are so important. Collectively, Kansas Tree City USA Communities spent \$16.5 million in 2014 managing Kansas' community forest by planting over 8,759 trees, pruning 44,052 and removing over 13,793 dead or defective trees," said Tim McDonnell, Community Forestry Program Coordinator for the Kansas Forest Service.

Research indicates that Kansas' community forestry is

at risk. Only one tree is being planted for every four removed. The national trend reveals that urban areas are expanding by 2.2 million acres each year. The values that trees provide are generally not considered as urban expansion occurs. Consequently valuable green space is lost each year.

"Communities like Blue Rapids are making a difference but they need additional support with funding and volunteers," he said. "Only when community-wide involvement exists will positive change occur in the present trends." McDonnell encourages the people of Blue Rapids

to take the time to thank the volunteers who serve on the city's Tree Board and to ask the simple question "How can I help?"

Individuals or organizations interested in further information about trees, the

Blue Rapids Tree Board or what you may do to help with community forestry in Blue Rapids may contact

Don Musil, Chairman, Blue Rapids Tree Board.

USD 498 Board Minutes

Unified School District No. 498
School Board Meeting
April 8, 2015

Present: David Vermetten, Pres.

Chris McNary
Melva Sanner
John Walsh
Mike Vermetten
Sharon Osborne
Tim Manley
John Bergkamp, Superintendent
Teresa Penning, Clerk

1. The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 498 met in regular session on April 8, 2015 at the Board office in Waterville. Board President David Vermetten called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Others in attendance included Kris Hargrave, Angie Lewis, Kathy Steinfort, Shelly Swayne and Robert Green.

2. Tim Manley moved, seconded by Mike Vermetten to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

3. No one was present during Public Forum.

4. Kris Hargrave, Angie Lewis and Kathy Steinfort gave the Curriculum Corner on the Parents As Teachers Program.

5. It was moved by Mike Vermetten and seconded by Melva Sanner to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0. Items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

- USD 498 Board of Education regular meeting minutes March 11, 2015 and Special board meeting March 25, 2015
- Bills Payable
- Willson Fund Request
- Summer School and Camp Exploration Contracts
- Driver's Education Contract
- Certified Resignation
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- Resolution to Non-Renew Teacher Contract
- Substitute License

-Treasurer's Report

6. Principal Shelly Swayne updated the Board on the Kansas Assessments, Pre-enrollment/Orientation, Graduation Plans, State Music Qualifiers, State FFA Degree Recipients, and State Speech/Drama Qualifiers. Principal Robert Green reported on the State Assessments, ELA Committee Update, Law Enforcement Day, Book Fair and Elementary School Improvement Plan update. (Chris McNary left the meeting at 7:04 p.m.)

7. Superintendent John Bergkamp discussed the Policy Manual update, School Finance, May Board Meeting change, Prom Rsvp reminder and Maintenance/Transportation Director position. Melva Sanner moved, seconded by Tim Manley to approve Mr. Bergkamp's recommendation to continue to review

the policies and plan to adopt them in June. Motion carried 6-0. Tim Manley moved, seconded by David Vermetten to approve the position of Maintenance/Transportation Director and advertise the opening as a salaried position. Motion carried 6-0.

8. Tim Manley moved, seconded by David Vermetten to publish the Notice of Hearing on Amending the 2014-15 Budget and changing the Hearing time and place to 4:45 P.M. at the High School. Motion carried 6-0.

9. In Individual Board Member Issues discussion was maintenance issues and long jump pit.

10. Mike Vermetten moved, seconded by Melva Sanner to adjourn. Motion carried 6-0.

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Valley Heights Senior Sidney Blackburn signs a letter of intent to attend to Highland Community College to play basketball. Father Darin and mother Nori Blackburn look on. (Photo by Deb Barrington)

Proper Timing for Crabgrass Preventers

Anastasia Johnson
County Extension Agent

Crabgrass preventers are another name for preemergence herbicides that prevent crabgrass seeds from developing into mature plants. Many people have a somewhat foggy idea of how they work. They do not keep the seed from germinating but kill the young germinating plant.

Crabgrass preventers are just that – preventers. With few exceptions they have no effect on existing crabgrass plants, so they must be applied before germination. Additionally, preventers do not last forever once applied to the soil. Microorganisms and natural processes begin to gradually break them down soon after they are applied. If some products are applied too early, they may have lost much of their strength by the time they are needed. Most crabgrass preventers are fairly ineffective after about 60 days, but there is considerable variation among products. (Dimension and Barricade last longer.)

For most of Kansas, crabgrass typically begins to germinate around May 1 or a little later. April 15 is a good target date for applying preventer

because it gives active ingredients time to evenly disperse in the soil before crabgrass germination starts. The April 15 target works well for most of the state. Additionally, weather varies from one spring to the next, and with it the timing of crabgrass germination. It is often better to base timing on the bloom of ornamental plants. The Eastern Redbud tree is a good choice for this purpose. When the trees in your area approach full bloom, apply crabgrass preventer. A follow-up application will be needed about 8 weeks later unless you are using Dimension or Barricade. Products that do require a follow-up application include pendimethalin (Scotts Halts) and Team (Hi-Yield Crabgrass Control). Dimension and Barricade are the only two products that give season-long control of crabgrass from a single application. In fact, they can be applied much earlier than April 15 and still have sufficient residual strength to last the season. Barricade can even be applied in the fall for crabgrass control the next season.

Dimension can be applied as early as March 1. Because of the added flexibility in timing, these products are favorites of

lawn care companies who have many customers to service in the spring. Though Dimension cannot be applied as early as Barricade, it is the herbicide of choice if it must be applied later than recommended. It is the exception to the rule that preemergence herbicides do not kill existing weeds. Dimension can kill crabgrass as long as it is young (two- to three-leaf stage). Dimension is also the best choice if treating a lawn that was planted late last fall.

Normally a preemergence herbicide is not recommended unless the lawn has been mowed two to four times. But Dimension is kind to young tall fescue, perennial ryegrass, and Kentucky bluegrass seedlings and some formulations can be applied as early as two weeks after the first sign of germination. However, read the label of the specific product you wish to use to insure that this use is allowed. Lawns established in the fall can be safely treated with Dimension the following spring even if they have not been mowed. Note that products containing Dimension and Barricade may use the common name rather than the trade name. The common chemical

name for Dimension is dithiopyr and for Barricade is prodiamine. Remember, when using any pesticide, read the label and follow instructions carefully.

It is recommended that crabgrass preventers be applied before fertilizer so that the grass isn't encouraged to put on too much growth too early. However, it may be difficult to find products that contain pre-emergents without fertilizer. Those that don't contain fertilizer are: Pendimethalin, Scotts Halts, Team (Benfin + Trifluralin), Hi-Yield Crabgrass Control, Dimension, Hi-Yield Turf & Ornamental Weed and Grass Stopper, Bonide Crabgrass & Weed Preventer, and Green Light Crabgrass Preventer. I didn't find any products containing Barricade that did not also have a fertilizer.

Uses of brand names are for educational purposes only and in no way endorse any particular product.

If you have any questions contact the Extension Office at (785)562-3531 or email anastasia@ksu.edu.

Workshop for Seniors to Focus on Healthcare Decisions

Older Kansans and their caregivers have a special opportunity to meet with an attorney to set up or review documents involving healthcare decisions at the Answers for Older Kansans (AOK) Workshop on Thursday, April 30, at The Onaga Senior Center, 200 Bypass Road.

"Attorneys will be available to answer questions and all are invited to come to get excellent information on living wills and durable powers of attorney," said Julie Govert Walter, Executive Director of North Central-Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging.

The Workshop on Healthcare

Decisions is presented in partnership with Kansas Legal Services.

Paul Shipp, Managing Attorney with Kansas Legal Services, will explain documents and also be available to answer questions. Those who attend will be able to meet with an attorney to set up documents or have their documents reviewed. Appointments are required.

There is no cost to attend AOK workshops. Lunch will be provided on a contribution basis to all who pre-register. Call the Area Agency on Aging at 800-432-2703 or 785-776-9294 to register.

The North Central-Flint Hills Agency on Aging, Inc. is a private, non-profit organization that plans, coordinates and sponsors services in 18 north central Kansas counties to enhance the quality and dignity of life for older Kansans and

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Retired AT&T Employees To Meet

Five retired members of the Southwester Bell Telephone Co. Outside Plant Employees will be getting together on Saturday, April 25th at 9 a.m. at the Wagon Wheel in Marysville.

The five worked Blue Rapids, Waterville and Frankfort.

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Ruling on California marijuana classification disappoints advocates

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — A federal judge in California declined Wednesday to remove marijuana from the list of most dangerous drugs, disappointing activists who saw the case as a chance to get closer to their goal of nationwide legalization.

U.S. District Judge Kimberly Mueller said during a brief court hearing that she was initially prepared to rule that marijuana should not be a Schedule 1 drug but then decided it was up to Congress to change the law if it wishes.

"It has been 45 years since Congress passed the Controlled Substances Act," Mueller said, noting "the landscape has

changed" since then.

However, the judge pointed out that courts are not designed to act as a maker of public policy and explained that she had made her decision based on the facts of the marijuana growing case that sparked the legal challenge.

"This is not the court and this is not the time" to overturn federal law, she said.

The ruling came after more than 20 states legalized medical marijuana use, and voters in four — Colorado, Washington, Oregon and Alaska — allowed recreational pot use. An effort is underway to legalize recreational marijuana in California as well.

A decision by Mueller to reject marijuana's classification would have applied narrowly to the case she is hearing and likely would have been appealed. Still, it would have set a precedent for other criminal prosecutions and added to the growing push to change federal drug law, experts and advocates said.

The classification of pot as one of the most dangerous drugs has pitted federal authorities against states that have legalized medical marijuana and prompted raids on growers and dispensaries that appear to be operating legally under state law.

A ruling against marijuana's

classification "would have been significant because you would have had a federal judge acknowledging what a majority of the public has already concluded: That marijuana does not meet the three criteria of a Schedule 1 drug," said Paul Armentano, deputy director of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws.

Armentano, who helped the defense, said he has always believed the issue would have to be decided by a federal appellate court. He expects the case being heard by Mueller to be appealed.

Legal experts said Mueller's decision to hold a fact-finding hearing last year that included expert testimony marked the first time in decades that a federal district court judge seriously considered marijuana's classification on constitutional grounds. Judges have generally accepted the classification and the federal ban on its use, growth and distribution.

Alex Kreit, a drug law expert at Thomas Jefferson School of Law in San Diego, called the hearing a "sign that at least some judges are increasingly skeptical of marijuana's status under federal law" and said it would influence marijuana policy despite the outcome.

The ruling came in a case alleging that marijuana was being grown in a remote area of Northern California. Attorneys for the defendants had sought to dismiss the charges on the grounds that pot should not be listed among Schedule 1 drugs, which include heroin and LSD and are defined as drugs with no accepted medical use and a high potential for abuse.

Historical Society Celebrating

The Blue Rapids Historical Society is hosting their own party celebrating their 10th year as a 501c3 organization. April 19th at 2:00 at the Museum on the Round Town Square will be the celebration

with President Sump's video presentation of the work it takes to preserve a 100+ year old home and carriage house.

Eight years ago the Historical Society paid \$1 for a

5,000 square foot building and the Museum was hatched. The ugly duckling has matured and is ready for presentation to the public. Come celebrate with us.

Kansas casino cites legislation in delaying hotel project

KANSAS CITY, Kan. (AP) — Operators of an eastern Kansas casino said this week "ongoing attempts" in the state Legislature to make it easier for the nearby Woodlands racetrack to install slot machines played a role in their decision to delay a \$200 million hotel project.

Kansas Entertainment, one of two entities that run Hollywood Casino adjacent to Turn 2 at Kansas Speedway, said Monday proposed changes

in property tax laws for casino operators also figured into the decision to postpone construction, which was scheduled to begin this week.

Instead of breaking ground on the 248-room hotel, the casino will pay a penalty of 1 percent of its revenues for the past year to the Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City, Kansas. It will pay the same 1 percent penalty each year it fails to start construction,

according to the casino contract signed four years ago.

The Unified Government estimated it will receive about \$1.4 million this year.

"While I'm disappointed the hotel project is not moving forward at this time, I'm pleased the Unified Government will receive significant new revenues from the casino operator for as long as the project is postponed," Unified Government Mayor Mark Holland said Monday.



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Marshall County Commission Minutes

April 6, 2015

The Board of Marshall County Commissioners met in regular session with Robert S. Connell, Chairman; Charles R. Loiseau and Thomas K. Holle members and Sonya L. Stohs, County Clerk present.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

The Board opened the meeting with the flag salute.

The minutes and agenda were approved as presented upon a motion by Charles R. Loiseau seconded by Thomas K. Holle. Unanimous.

RSVP Director Joni Spellmeier met with the Board to ask them to sign a proclamation honoring the RSVP Volunteers. Charles R. Loiseau moved, seconded by Thomas K. Holle to approve the Chairman signing a proclamation honoring the RSVP Volunteers. Unanimous.

County Health Nurse Sue Rhodes met with the Board to give a monthly update on the Health Department.

County Health Nurse Sue Rhodes recommended a step raise for LPN Megan Woodyard from LPN, Probation at \$16.00 an hour to LPN, Step 1 at \$16.81 an hour effective May 1, 2015.

Robert S. Connell moved, seconded by Thomas K. Holle to approve the step increase LPN Megan Woodyard from LPN, Probation at \$16.00 an hour to LPN, Step 1 at \$16.81 an hour effective May 1, 2015.

Unanimous.

Sheriff Daniel A. Hargrave met with the Board to present the following bids for a server and backup system in the Sheriff Department.

Blue Valley Telecommunications, Home, KS \$12,409.29-server and labor \$12,600.00 - 3 TB offsite / 2TB local storage \$22,320.00 - 5TB offsite / 3TB local storage

Manatron, Hays \$7,988.00 - server, 8 TB on-site storage and labor

Charles R. Loiseau moved, seconded by Robert S. Connell to approve the purchase of the server and on-site storage from Manatron, Inc., Hays, KS in the amount of \$7,988.00. Unanimous.

Public Works Administrator Mike Craig and Public Works Coordinating Supervisor Larry Polson met with the Board.

Public Works Coordinating Supervisor Larry Polson presented the following bids for two 20 x20 bridge packages.

Husker Steel, Columbus, NE -\$ 22,229.60 Midwest Service and Sales, Schuyler, NE - \$24,924.16

Husker Steel, Columbus, NE - \$27,645.60 Midwest Service and Sales, Schuyler, NE - \$31,117.70

Charles R. Loiseau moved, seconded by Robert S. Connell to approve the low bids from Husker Steel, Columbus, NE Public Works Administrator

Mike Craig informed the Board that there was a discrepancy with the J & J Drainage bid they left off 2 tubes so there bid is \$55,343.50 instead of last week's bid of \$49,205.50.

Thomas K. Holle moved, seconded by Robert S. Connell to approve the following purchase orders. Unanimous.

Mike's OK Tire, Marysville, KS for tires \$533.38-Road & Bridge fund-P.O. # 108382

Mike's OK Tire, Marysville, KS for tires \$1,252.50-Road & Bridge fund-P.O. # 108381

Midwest Products, LLC, Hanover, KS for concrete \$964.75-Road & Bridge fund-P.O. # 108379

Husker Steel, Columbus, NE for bridge material package \$22,229.60-Road & Bridge fund-P.O. # 108383

Husker Steel, Columbus, NE for bridge material package \$27,645.60-Road & Bridge fund-P.O. # 108384

Welborn Sales, Inc. Sales Representative Gary Montre met with the Board.

Thomas K. Holle moved, seconded by Robert S. Connell to approve the Home City Sewer bills and pay them from the appropriate funds available. Unanimous.

Thomas K. Holle moved, seconded by Charles R. Loiseau to approve the following purchase orders. Unanimous.

Merck, Carol Stream, IL for private vaccine \$8,979.47-

Health fund-P.O. # 4813 Election Systems and Software, Chicago, IL for Election ballots \$2,037.10-Election fund-P.O. # 4886

Herbster Law Firm, LLC, Topeka, KS for contract attorney fee \$1,700.00-General (District Court) fund-P.O. # 4885

Steven A. Kraushaar, Attorney, Marysville, KS for contract attorney fee \$2,100.00-General (District Court) fund-P.O. # 4884

Manatron, Inc., Chicago, IL for annual maintenance and software \$29,146.70-General (Computer & Equipment) fund-P.O. # 4887

Robert S. Connell moved, seconded by Charles R. Loiseau to go into executive session for five minutes at 10:48 a.m. to discuss matters of non-elected personnel with Public Works Administrator Mike Craig and Public Works Coordinating Supervisor Larry Polson present. Unanimous.

Thomas K. Holle moved, seconded by Charles R. Loiseau to adjourn at 11:25 a.m. p.m. Unanimous. The next scheduled meeting will be Monday, April 13, 2015 starting at 9:00 a.m.

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National Volunteer Week is about taking action and encouraging individuals and their respective communities to be at the center of social change - discovering and actively demonstrating their collective power to make a difference.

Many tasks would not be completed without the help of volunteers, whether it be at your job or an organization you are part of. Have you ever thought of how important those volunteers are? Or how many other ways volunteers could be used in your job, organizations, and other activities?

Volunteers come to work for you with all sorts of skills and knowledge. The important part is to match the volunteer with the right job. It would not make sense to have a volunteer who doesn't like children but is good at creating web sites, work in an elementary school classroom, but that person would be well suited to help your small business out with building a web site.

They also bring patience, time, loyalty, and love to the job they do. If the right volunteer is matched with the right job, it can be a partnership that all involved thrive from. Many daily things or even those wild ideas you have but never can

get to in your job or organization, may be the perfect fit for volunteers.

There are two kinds of volunteers, and each one may have a fit in your workplace or organization.

What is a volunteer?

A volunteer is a non-paid representative of the unit for which they provide services. Typically this form of volunteer is a long term volunteer who serves for many years or months doing a task or numerous tasks. These might include a person who helps out once a week all school year long in a classroom assisting a teacher with making copies, cutting out pieces, etc. Or someone who for an extended time keeps a website up-to-date for a local business owner. This even includes volunteers in 4-H, Boy Scouts, and other civic groups.

What is an episodic volunteer?

An episodic volunteer would be a volunteer helping with a single "episode" or activity. Volunteers who are considered episodic volunteers serve as a workshop presenter, judges, assistant fair superintendents, guest speakers, etc. This volunteer may only help with a single activity in your workplace or in your organization. The great thing about these volunteers is that they may bring a skill or fill a need with great expertise that they can share with an organization. They can be very valuable in meeting a need with skills that no one else may have.

Embrace the skills and knowledge of those willing to volunteer and you will have one successful relationship.

We are always looking for volunteers at the Marshall

County Extension Office to help with various programs. We are constantly on the look out for people knowledgeable about training dogs, working with pets, sewing garments, crocheting, building rockets, cooking, photography, wood-working, electricity, small engines, rocks, shooting sports, and other fine arts. You could be a presenter at a workshop for our 4-H youth. Kids need hands on experiences to know what they are interested in and what they are good at. You could be a county project leader and use your leadership skills to help coordinate project meetings for youth. Support staff is also needed for various events to run smoothly. If you are interested in being a comment writer, door supervisor, organizer, or love to put up displays, let us know as we would be excited to find a volunteer job for you that you would enjoy. The Marshall County Fair Board is always looking for people to help prepare the grounds for the fair and to run the open class portion of the fair.

None of these jobs interest you. I work with some very special volunteers providing Volunteer Income Tax Assistance or Medicare Education to beneficiaries. If you are interested in providing this type of volunteer service contact the Marshall County Extension Office or RSVP of NE KS.

We are fortunate to have RSVP of NE KS here in Marshall County. We appreciate these volunteers putting together our Extension Newsletter 6 times a year, assisting with the Bread in the Bucket and Cultural Arts Day

programs. There are many other volunteer opportunities available through the RSVP program so if you are sitting home with nothing to do but watch TV there are plenty of opportunities to help out your community. Just let us know what you are interested in doing and when you are available.

National Volunteer Week is a great time to recognize all the people that make K-State Research and Extension in Marshall County such a successful organization without Extension Board Member, Program Development Committee Members, 4-H Leaders, Project Leaders, Junior Leaders, Camp Counselors, it wouldn't be possible to accomplish all the things we do. So we salute you during National Volunteer Week.

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Senior: Common Sense

"Common sense isn't common sense anymore, is a quote that best describes Kolt Cooper.

Kolt Matthew Cooper was born September 29th, 1996 to Justin Cooper and Kristie Carnes. Cooper lives in Waterville, Kansas with his step father, mother, two sisters and brother.

Kolt played football for two years, participated in FFA for 4 years and has been in VH Club for 4 years. Planning to get his CDL once he graduates, Kolt dreams of driving a semi and hopefully one day own his own semi and be an owner and operator.

One memory that Kolt will never forget is surprising fellow classmate Colton Skalla on the first day of senior year. Colton thought that Kolt was

still attending Washington Co. High School at the time. Lights of my Hometown by Brantley Gilbert is a song that best describes Cooper and his life.

Kolt says that Coach Whitson has influenced me the most in my life. He is a great coach and has taught me so much. I also consider him a good friend. Cooper has participated in some community service activities in Blue Rapids, Kansas this year. I'm really political and opinionated. But, I'm also a huge teddy bear and protective over my close friends, which is something most people don't know.

Kolt has achieved the accomplishment of being on track to be able to graduate in May. He hopes that people remember how honest he was, but also how funny he was.



Kolt Matthew Cooper

Plight of imperiled insect draws lawsuit

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) — Wildlife advocates asked a judge Wednesday to force federal officials to decide if a rare aquatic insect that's found only in Montana's Glacier National Park should be protected under the Endangered Species Act.

Western glacier stoneflies were first identified by scientists in 1963. They live in streams fed by cold water from glaciers in northwest Montana.

Those glaciers are predicted to vanish by 2030 — in part because of warmer temperatures due to climate change — and researchers say the stoneflies also could disappear.

In a Wednesday lawsuit, the Center for Biological Diversity said the U.S. Fish and Wildlife

Service failed to follow through on a 2011 finding that protections might be needed for the insects.

The group asked U.S. District Judge Emmet Sullivan in Washington, D.C., to declare the agency violated federal law by not issuing a final determination on whether the species should be listed as threatened or endangered.

Even if the group prevails, it's uncertain what can be done to preserve the insects.

"The difficult thing about listing a species based on climate change is we don't really know what to do about it," said Joe Giersch, a U.S. Geological

Survey scientist.

When Giersch and other researchers recently looked for the insects in six streams that stoneflies historically occupied, they found them in only one.

There have been preliminary discussions among biologists about raising glacier stoneflies in laboratories and seeding different streams with the species. Giersch said it's unclear if the insects could survive because the new streams likely would be warmer than those with native glacier stonefly populations.

Center for Biological Diversity scientist Tierra Curry said wildlife officials have a

chance to raise the profile of climate change's impact on species around the globe with their decision the stonefly.

"This stonefly is a story people can wrap their heads around," she said. "It's a specific species in a specific park that tells the story of what's happening around the globe right now."

Fish and Wildlife Service spokesman Ryan Moehring said the agency does not comment on pending litigation.

The lawsuit also seeks a decision on several fish species in the southeastern U.S. that Curry says are threatened largely by water pollution.

Court upholds finding of racial profiling by Arizona sheriff

PHOENIX (AP) — An appeals court on Wednesday upheld key findings in a 2013 ruling that deputies under Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio systematically committed racial profiling of Latinos.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the previous ruling by District Judge Murray Snow that unconstitutional practices targeting immigrants had extended traffic stops in the Phoenix area.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the previous ruling by District Judge Murray Snow that unconstitutional practices by Arpaio's office targeted immigrants with lengthy traffic stops in the Phoenix area.

The court also affirmed

remedies the judge imposed to address the profiling violations.

The ruling came after Arpaio appealed the ruling by Snow.

The appeals court also reined in a court-appointed official who is investigating misconduct at the agency. It said Snow's requirement that the monitor consider internal investigations and reports of officer misconduct created a problem by being unrelated to the constitutional violations found by Snow.

It wasn't immediately known whether the ruling by the three-judge appeals panel would affect a contempt-of-court hearing scheduled by Snow for April 21-24 on Arpaio's acknowledged violations of court orders in the case.

Arpaio's appeal didn't contest Snow's ruling on the immigration patrols known as "sweeps" in which deputies flooded an area over several days to seek out traffic violators and arrest other offenders. Instead, the sheriff appealed the judge's conclusions on only regular traffic patrols.

Arpaio's lawyers also contended that Snow imposed changes on the sheriff's office that have nothing to do with the profiling case.

The decision by Snow marked the first time that the sheriff's office known for immigration enforcement had been found to have racially profiled people. The judge is requiring Arpaio's officers to video-record traffic stops, collect data on stops and undergo

training to ensure they aren't acting unconstitutionally.

The lawyers who prevailed in the case argued that the judge stayed within his powers in ordering the sheriff's office to make changes. They said Arpaio's office was trying to manufacture a distinction between regular and special immigration patrols.

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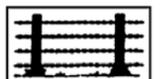


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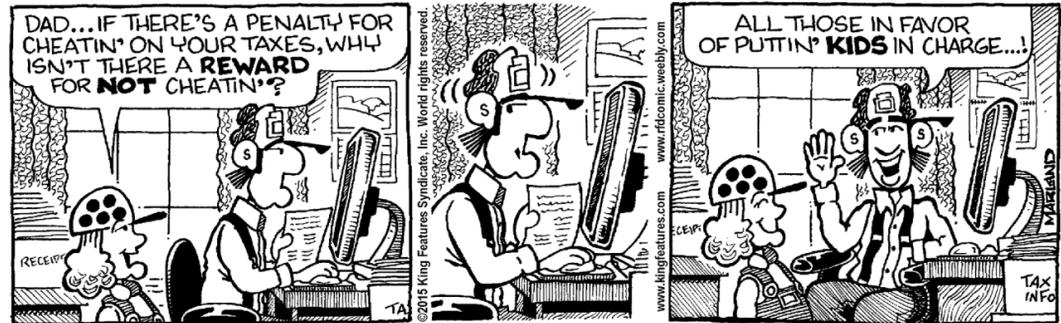
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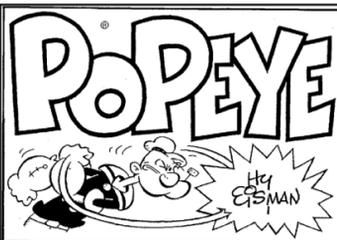
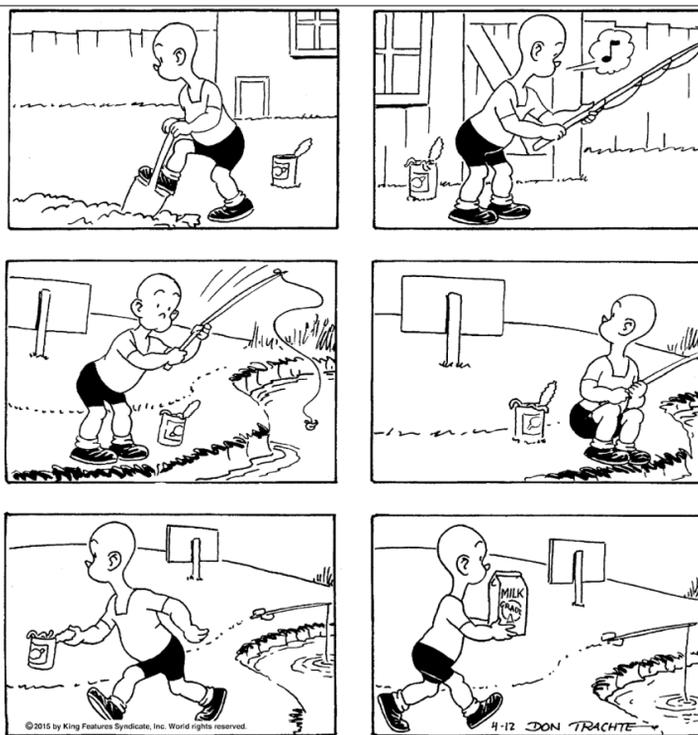
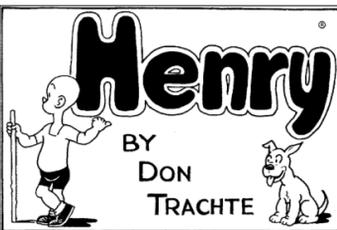
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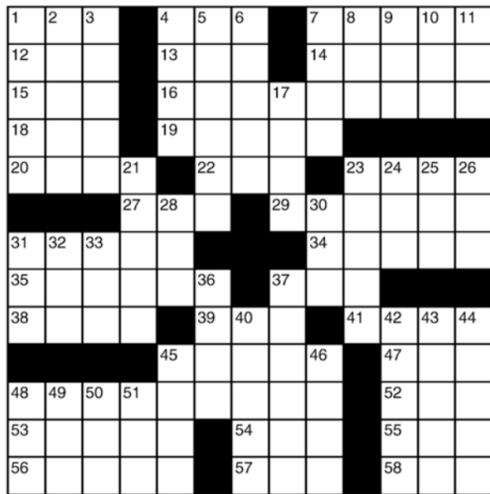
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 - 1/2 cup sliced green onions (8 medium)
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 - 1 can (2 1/4 oz) sliced ripe olives, drained
 - 1 tablespoon chopped fresh or 1 teaspoon dried basil leaves
 - 3 cups shredded reduced-fat Cheddar cheese (12 oz)
 - 8 eggs
 - 1 1/2 cups fat-free (skim) milk
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt

Topping

- 1 clove garlic, minced
 - 6 medium Italian plum tomatoes, chopped (about 2 cups)
 - 1/4 teaspoon salt
 - 2 tablespoons chopped fresh or 2 teaspoons dried basil leaves
- 1 Spray 13x9-inch (3-quart) glass baking dish and 10-inch nonstick skillet with cooking spray. In skillet, cook ground turkey over medium-high heat, stirring frequently, until no longer pink. Remove turkey from skillet; drain on paper towels.
- 2 In large bowl, mix potatoes, onions, mushrooms, olives, 1 tablespoon basil and 2 cups of the cheese. Stir in turkey; spoon evenly into baking dish. Sprinkle with remaining 1 cup cheese.
- 3 In large bowl, beat eggs. Stir in milk and 1/2 teaspoon salt; pour over potato mixture in baking dish. Cut sheet of foil large enough to cover baking dish; spray with cooking spray. Cover baking dish with foil, sprayed side down. Refrigerate at least 8 hours or overnight.
- 4 When ready to bake, heat oven to 350°F. Bake covered 45 minutes. Uncover; bake 20 to 25 minutes longer or until center is set. Let stand 10 minutes before serving.
- 5 Meanwhile, spray 8-inch nonstick skillet with cooking spray. Add garlic; cook and stir over medium heat 1 minute. Stir in tomatoes and 1/4 teaspoon salt; cook about 5 minutes, stirring occasionally, until tomatoes are tender. Stir in 2 tablespoons basil.
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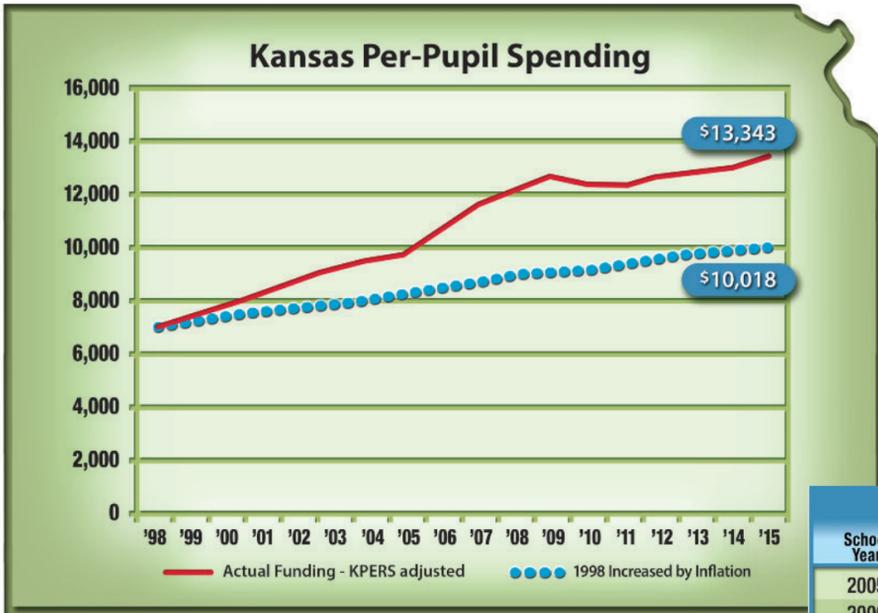
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Source: KSDE; BLS, Midwest Urban Cities, fiscal year inflation. Per-Pupil spending includes KPERS all years.

School Year	State Aid	Federal Aid	Local Revenue	Total Expenditures	Total Increase
2005	5,346	902	3,454	9,702	5.13%
2006	6,006	865	3,730	10,601	9.27%
2007	6,494	866	4,201	11,561	9.05%
2008	7,008	844	4,341	12,193	5.46%
2009	7,334	924	4,391	12,659	3.83%
2010	6,326	1,603	4,401	12,330	-2.60%
2011	6,511	1,465	4,306	12,283	-0.38%
2012	6,983	981	4,692	12,656	3.04%
2013	6,984	1,005	4,792	12,781	0.99%
2014	7,088	1,053	4,819	12,960	1.40%
2015 est.	8,649	1,107	3,587	13,343	2.96%

Source: Kansas Department of Education, Kansas Division of the Budget, 2014-15 estimate for State Aid from KSDE block grant calculation plus special education and bond & interest aid per Division of Budget; federal and local per KSDE.

USD #	County	District Name	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2014-17 Change
378	Riley	Riley	4,879,343	5,041,628	5,058,979	5,095,355	4.4%
383	Riley	Manhattan-Ogden	30,960,180	30,871,825	31,050,074	31,324,652	1.2%
384	Riley	Blue Valley	1,549,490	1,533,370	1,539,446	1,552,185	0.2%
364	Marshall	Marysville	4,522,321	4,583,709	4,601,944	4,640,169	2.6%
380	Marshall	Vermillion	3,891,092	4,127,598	4,141,778	4,171,503	7.2%
498	Marshall	Valley Heights	3,310,997	3,668,620	3,680,811	3,706,369	11.9%
Statewide totals			2,950,583,745	3,092,773,312	3,097,273,451	3,114,404,868	5.6%

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	Statewide Average			Manhattan			Valley Heights		
	2005	2014	2005-14 % Chg.	2005	2014	% Chg.	2005	2014	% Chg.
Instruction	\$ 5,177	\$ 7,000	35%	\$ 5,419	\$ 6,903	27%	\$ 6,943	\$ 7,836	13%
Student Support	\$ 443	\$ 609	38%	\$ 549	\$ 707	29%	\$ 526	\$ 621	18%
Staff Support	\$ 352	\$ 435	24%	\$ 502	\$ 517	3%	\$ 318	\$ 248	-22%
Administration	\$ 979	\$ 1,182	21%	\$ 912	\$ 1,038	14%	\$ 1,133	\$ 1,631	44%
Oper. / Maint.	\$ 829	\$ 1,058	28%	\$ 746	\$ 951	27%	\$ 1,297	\$ 1,575	21%
Transportation	\$ 366	\$ 477	30%	\$ 250	\$ 392	57%	\$ 575	\$ 429	-25%
Food Service	\$ 418	\$ 537	28%	\$ 379	\$ 477	26%	\$ 625	\$ 710	14%
Community Service	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
Capital Outlay	\$ 451	\$ 635	41%	\$ 513	\$ 606	18%	\$ 58	\$ 531	816%
Debt Service	\$ 648	\$ 1,015	57%	\$ 438	\$ 1,211	176%	\$ 465	\$ 723	55%
Total	\$ 9,666	\$ 12,950	34%	\$ 9,708	\$ 12,802	32%	\$ 11,941	\$ 14,305	20%

	Blue Valley			Marysville			Vermillion		
	2005	2014	% Chg.	2005	2014	% Chg.	2005	2014	% Chg.
Instruction	\$ 6,184	\$ 9,441	53%	\$ 6,651	\$ 11,144	68%	\$ 5,855	\$ 7,057	21%
Student Support	\$ 167	\$ 371	122%	\$ 411	\$ 813	98%	\$ 291	\$ 477	64%
Staff Support	\$ 281	\$ 316	12%	\$ 151	\$ 549	264%	\$ 96	\$ 277	189%
Administration	\$ 1,501	\$ 2,985	99%	\$ 1,105	\$ 1,359	23%	\$ 1,115	\$ 1,386	24%
Oper. / Maint.	\$ 823	\$ 1,559	89%	\$ 737	\$ 1,081	47%	\$ 1,198	\$ 972	-19%
Transportation	\$ 914	\$ 1,228	34%	\$ 431	\$ 770	79%	\$ 687	\$ 534	-22%
Food Service	\$ 710	\$ 917	29%	\$ 605	\$ 774	28%	\$ 437	\$ 531	22%
Community Service	\$ 1	\$ -	-100%	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!	\$ -	\$ -	#DIV/0!
Capital Outlay	\$ 36	\$ 946	2528%	\$ 731	\$ 1,007	38%	\$ 579	\$ 611	6%
Debt Service	\$ 594	\$ 988	66%	\$ 432	\$ -	-100%	\$ 455	\$ -	-100%
Total	\$ 11,212	\$ 18,751	67%	\$ 11,255	\$ 17,498	55%	\$ 10,712	\$ 11,844	11%