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## K-State Eyes Bowl Eligibility on Senior Day



For Kansas State to get to a bowl game they will need to make plays like Curry Sexton (14) did last year against Texas Tech. Kansas State at 5-6 needs one more win, with only the game against West Virginia 9-3. The Cats are 3-0 in the Big 12 against West Virginia.

### KSU Sports Information

Fresh off its second win in as many weeks, K-State returns home on Saturday for Senior Day with bowl eligibility on the line as the Wildcats host West Virginia in the 2015 regular season finale. The sold-out game will kick at 3:30 p.m., and be broadcast nationally on FS1 with Joe Davis (play-by-play), Brady Quinn (analyst) and Kris Budden (sideline) on the call. The contest can also be heard across the K-State Sports Network with Wyatt Thompson (play-by-play), Stan Weber (analyst) and Matt Walters (sideline) calling the action.

### A LOOK AT K-STATE

The Cats, guided by 2015 College Football Hall of Fame inductee Bill Snyder, are 5-6 this year, which includes close losses to No. 19 OSU, No. 2 TCU and No. 2 Baylor.

The Cats are coming off a 45-14 win at KU and 38-35 win over Iowa State the week before that saw them erase a 35-14 second-half deficit to tie for the largest comeback in school history (21 points).

K-State outscored the Cyclones, 24-0, in the second half and also held their offense to 144 yards and forced four fumbles over the final 30 minutes, the most since forcing four against Baylor in 2007.

K-State took the Horned Frogs down to the wire behind four rushing touchdowns by Joe Hubener and two more from running back Charles Jones. The Cats tied the game at 45 with 1:47 left, but TCU scored a late TD for the win.

That came a week after K-State took a 34-33 lead over OSU in Stillwater with 3:01 left, but the Cowboys kicked a field goal with less than a minute left for a two-point win.

Hubener ran for a career-best 153 yards against the second-ranked Bears as the Cats had the ball with less than a minute to play in the game with a chance to tie the game.

Jones has been fantastic of late, rushing for 525 yards in the last seven games. The junior had a career-best 122-yard effort at Texas, the most by a K-State running back since the final regular-season game of 2013.

Defensively, the Cats are paced by linebackers Elijah Lee and Will Davis with 70 and 50 tackles, respectively.

Defensive tackles Travis Britz and Will Geary have also been a force, combining for 77 tackles (7.0 per game), 16.0 tackles for loss and 6.5 sacks.

### SENIOR DAY

A total of 18 seniors will play their final home game as Wildcats on

Saturday: Aaron Bennett, Reed Bergstrom, Travis Britz, Marquel Bryant, Morgan Burns, Jack Cantele, Dalton Converse, Kody Cook, Andre Davis, Luke Hayes, Nate Jackson, Kyle Klein, Matt Kleinsorge, Jordan Kupersmith, Boston Stiversson, Stanton Weber, Cody Whitehair and Dillon Wilson.

### A LOOK AT THE SERIES

K-State leads the all-time series, 4-1, and is 3-0 against WVU since the Mountaineers joined the Big 12.

K-State has won the only prior meeting in Manhattan, a 35-12 victory in 2013.

### SNYDER AMONG BEST EVER

Head coach Bill Snyder currently has 192 career victories, 153 more than any other coach in school history.

Snyder ranks second in the FBS in wins among active coaches at their current schools, fifth in total victories among active coaches and tied for 29th in all-time wins.

He is eight wins away from becoming the 25th coach in FBS history with 200 career wins.

Snyder, who has 111 conference wins, is one of four coaches with 100 Big 8/12 victories (Tom Osborne [153], Bob Stoops [107], Barry Switzer [100]).

### K-STATE IN DECEMBER

K-State has won two of three December regular-season games since 2011, with both victories coming at home (Iowa State in 2011, Texas in 2012).

This weekend's game ties for the latest home game in school history as the 1896 team played to a 6-6 tie against Fort Riley on December 5 that year.

### YOUTH MOVEMENT

A total of 12 players have made their first-career starts in 2015, including a combined 10 freshmen or sophomores.

Of the 10 underclassmen to make starts this season, seven have been freshmen as fullback Winston Dimel and center Dalton Risner have started all 11 games in addition to four starts by Dominique Heath and three by Dayton Valentine. Defensively, red-shirt freshman safety Kendall Adams has made three starts, while true freshman cornerback Duke Shelley has started the last seven games.

## Kansas revenue receipts beat estimates by \$14.6 M

TOPEKA - Revenue receipts for November beat estimates by \$14.6 million, driven in part by stronger than expected individual income tax receipts.

Individual income tax receipts were \$3 million, or 1.7 percent, more than estimates.

Sales and use tax receipts continue to follow a national growth trend, and collections were more than expected. Sale tax receipts were \$3.5 million more than estimates and \$17 million more than what was collected November 2014.

"Individual income tax receipts continue to reflect growth and a low

unemployment rate," said Revenue Secretary Nick Jordan.

Tax receipts collected by the Department of Revenue for November exceeded expectations for both the month and the year to date.

Total receipts for the fiscal year to date, reflecting money collected by the Kansas Department of Revenue and other agencies totaled \$2.3 billion.

Overall revenue receipts collections "which includes corporate franchise fee, insurance premiums, interest, net transfers, agency earnings and miscellaneous" were \$439 million for the month, or \$14.6 million more than expectations.

## KSU's fall commencement ceremonies December 11-12

### KSU News Service

MANHATTAN — Kansas State University's fall commencement ceremonies will be Friday, Dec. 11, on the Manhattan and Kansas State University Polytechnic campuses, and Saturday, Dec. 12, on the Manhattan campus.

The university will award 1,300 bachelor's degrees, 340 master's degrees, 70 doctorates and 10 associate degrees. More than 300 students are earning their degree through K-State Global Campus distance education programs.

Commencement ceremonies Dec. 11 include the Graduate School at 1 p.m. in Bramlage Coliseum. Marlin Fitzwater, university alumnus and former presidential press secretary, will be the commencement speaker and receive an honorary doctorate. Representing the Kansas Board of Regents at the Graduate School ceremony will be Regent Joseph Bain, Goodland. Commencement on the Kansas State University Polytechnic Campus will be at 7 p.m. in the Student Life Center. D. Shane Bangerter, Dodge City, chair of the Kansas Board of Regents, will be the commencement speaker.

Commencement ceremonies Dec. 12 will all take place on the Manhattan campus. The following is a schedule of ceremonies and speakers:

College of Agriculture, 1 p.m. in Bramlage Coliseum. Jason Bergtold, associate professor of agricultural economics, will give the commencement address.

College of Arts & Sciences, 8:30

a.m. in Bramlage Coliseum. Donald Saucier, associate professor of psychological sciences and the university's 2015-2016 Coffman chair for distinguished teaching scholars, will give the commencement address.

College of Business Administration, 11:30 a.m. in Bramlage Coliseum. Ken Selzer, Kansas insurance commissioner, will provide the commencement remarks.

College of Education, 10 a.m. in Bramlage Coliseum. Carol Adams, executive director of teaching and learning for USD 383, the Manhattan-Ogden School District, will give the commencement address.

College of Engineering, 4 p.m. in Bramlage Coliseum. Cathy S. Ritter, president of Constellation Design Group Inc., will give the commencement address.

College of Human Ecology, 2:30 p.m. in Bramlage Coliseum. Dennis Hulsing, president and CEO of Hulsing Enterprises LLC, will give the commencement address.

A webcast of the commencement ceremonies will be streamed live at k-state.edu/graduation/.

A virtual commencement ceremony is available at global.k-state.edu/commencement for distance education students unable to attend their commencement ceremony in person. The website includes a listing of students earning degrees through distance education, a place for family and friends to post congratulatory messages and other commencement-related offerings.

## December Activities In MHK

Mayor's Spirit of the Holidays Lighted (Christmas) Parade

Join Mayor Karen McCulloh for the annual Mayor's Lighted Parade at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4. The parade starts at Manhattan Town Center, travels down Poyntz Avenue and ends in Aggieville for the lighting of the tree in Triangle Park. Non-perishable food and monetary donations for the Flint Hills Breadbasket are accepted during the parade.

Customer Appreciation Day at Manhattan Regional Airport  
Celebrate the holidays during Customer Appreciation Day at Manhattan Regional Airport from 5 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 9.

Tigers return to Sunset Zoo  
Manhattan's newest residents, Malik and Hakim, will be on exhibit starting Saturday, Dec. 12. The 8-year-

old tigers are the first at the zoo in more than a year.

The Ice Rink in City Park is open!

The Ice Rink is open daily, with longer hours on weekends and when USD 383 is out of school or dismisses early. Lessons and rentals are available.

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## Big 12 Standings

School	Big 12	Overall	Pct.
Oklahoma	8 - 1	11 - 1	.917
Oklahoma State	7 - 2	10 - 2	.833
TCU	7 - 2	10 - 2	.833
Baylor	6 - 2	9 - 2	.818
West Virginia	4 - 4	7 - 4	.636
Texas Tech	4 - 5	7 - 5	.583
Texas	3 - 5	4 - 7	.364
Kansas State	2 - 6	5 - 6	.455
Iowa State	2 - 7	3 - 9	.250
Kansas	0 - 9	0 - 12	.000

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# Riley County Commission Minutes

## Cost Taxpayers \$700 Per Month

**Editor's Note: (What the Riley County Clerk and the Riley County Commissioners are doing with the Commission Minutes is Deceiving.)**

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

**Riley County Commission Minutes**  
**November 19, 2015**  
**Riley County Courthouse**  
 9:00 AM Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance  
 1. Public Comments  
 Hanson on behalf of the REACH Committee presented the December Employee of the Month to Bob Isaac.

2. Business Meeting  
 3. KNOWiNK Software License and Service Agreement  
 Move to approve the KNOWiNK Software License and Service Agreement for poll pad software licenses and accessories for the Elections Department.  
 RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]  
 MOVER: Robert Boyd, County Commissioner  
 SECONDER: Ronald Wells, County Commissioner  
 AYES: Boyd, Wells  
 ABSENT: Wilson

4. Review and sign Appraiser's Real Estate Sales Data Search Service Agreement and Contractual Provisions attachment for Lori Rogge, real estate broker for Gene Francis & Associates  
 Move to approve a Real Estate Sales Data Search Service Agreement and Contractual Provisions attachment for Lori Rogge, real estate broker for Gene Francis & Associates for the Appraiser's Office.  
 RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]  
 MOVER: Robert Boyd, County Commissioner  
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 ABSENT: Wilson

5. Board of Riley County Commissioners - Regular Meeting - Nov 16, 2015 8:30 AM  
 Move to approve the minutes.  
 RESULT: ACCEPTED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]  
 MOVER: Robert Boyd, County Commissioner  
 SECONDER: Ronald Wells, County Commissioner  
 AYES: Boyd, Wells  
 ABSENT: Wilson

6. Tentative Agenda  
 Press Conference Topics

7. Discuss Press Conference

9:15 AM Debbie Register, Register of Deeds  
 8. Year to Date Revenue  
 Register presented year to date revenue for the Register of Deeds' Office.  
 Register asked to close the Register of Deeds' Office at 12:00 (noon) on December 31, 2015 for year end closing processing.  
 Move to allow the Register of Deeds' Office to close at 12:00 (noon) on December 31, 2015 for year end processing.  
 RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]  
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9. Administrative Work Session  
 Holeman said Hobson has asked if the Casement Outfall Structure can be extended. Holeman stated he feels it would be beneficial to have a new contract for the project. Holeman said the change in the contract is material in nature and it makes sense to rebid the project.  
 Hobson stated the project has been bid twice and the contractors interested in the job have been very limited.  
 Hobson said we now have a different solution for the outfall structure to present to the Board designed by NRCS. Hobson stated the current contractor has done many of these

10. Approval of Indigent Defense Panel Contracts for 2016  
 Holeman presented the indigent defense panel contract for 2016.  
 Move that the Board authorize the Chairman to sign all six indigent defense panel contracts.  
 RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]  
 MOVER: Robert Boyd, County Commissioner  
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10:00 AM Jennifer Wilson, County Extension Director

11. Riley County Extension Staff Update  
 Wilson discussed the 2015 Annual Extension Board meeting held Monday, November 16th.  
 Jobe discussed the 4-H Special Interest Clubs.  
 Jobe said in January they will kick-off the Riley County 4-H STEM Club.

10:15 AM John Doehling, Riley County Police Department Assistant Director

12. Riley County Police Department update  
 Doehling discussed the FOP's No Shave November fund drive for toys for kids in our community.  
 Doehling said RCPD is approaching the 3-year reaccreditation cycle.  
 Doehling discussed the Joint Terrorism Program. Doehling said the FBI has asked if RCPD is willing to dedicate an officer to the Joint Terrorism Program. Doehling discussed the advantage to RCPD in participating in the program.  
 Doehling stated RCPD is now planning to prioritize public events for safety measures.  
 Doehling said the Mental Health Task Force is working on mental health issues in our community. Doehling stated in Portland, Oregon a Crisis Intervention Response staff member is on the police department staff to assist in mental health issues in that community. Doehling said there may be an opportunity there in working with Pawnee Mental Health.

10:30 AM Pat Collins, Emergency Management Director

13. Tuttle Cove Fire Station update and Change order  
 P. Collins stated he does not have a lot of an update on the Tuttle Cove Fire Station retaining wall as the contractor and inspector are not ready to present information to the Board at this time.

10:40 AM Lyle Butler,

types of projects with NRCS and is willing to negotiate with the County on the project. Hobson stated time is of the essence as the project needs to be completed during the winter months.  
 Boyd asked, how can we assure that we stay within the engineers estimate of the changed project?  
 Hobson said staff will be involved in the negotiations of the project.  
 Rosewicz said our current dirt contractor stated they can build the project at a substantially lower cost than originally bid.  
 Wells stated he does not want to spend anymore money on the project. Wells stated this drainage looks like any other drainage problem he sees in the County.  
 Hobson stated there was an original structure there and the contractual agreement was made with the landowners that the structure and channel would be maintained.  
 Boyd asked if we are obligated to the remaining portion of the current construction contract.  
 Rosewicz stated we may be obligated to some retainage on the construction contract.  
 Hobson said he does not believe the contractor is pushing the retainage issue.  
 Boyd said he is supportive of altering the current contract or creating a new contract with the current contractor to finish the job based on the NRCS design.  
 The Board agreed to proceed with a new contract with the existing contractor on the Casement Drainage Outfall Structure.  
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14. Economic Development update  
 Butler thanked the Board for supporting Small Business Saturday.  
 Butler discussed the Chamber Leader's Retreat, which will be held January 22 & 23, 2016.  
 Butler said Fort Riley will be looking at its future regarding deployments and housing.  
 Butler stated the status of workforce in this region will be discussed from the business and educational perspectives.  
 Butler said our community will be hosting a couple inter-city visits.  
 Butler stated our community will be attending an inter-city visit in Fayetteville, Arkansas next year.  
 Butler stated there are several businesses in our community expanding and building new facilities.  
 Butler said last week the Chamber hosted the Kansas Department of Commerce with site selectors.  
 10:55 AM Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer

15. Riley County Courthouse Security Improvements Project Recommendation  
 Hobson presented the Courthouse Security Project bid recommendation.  
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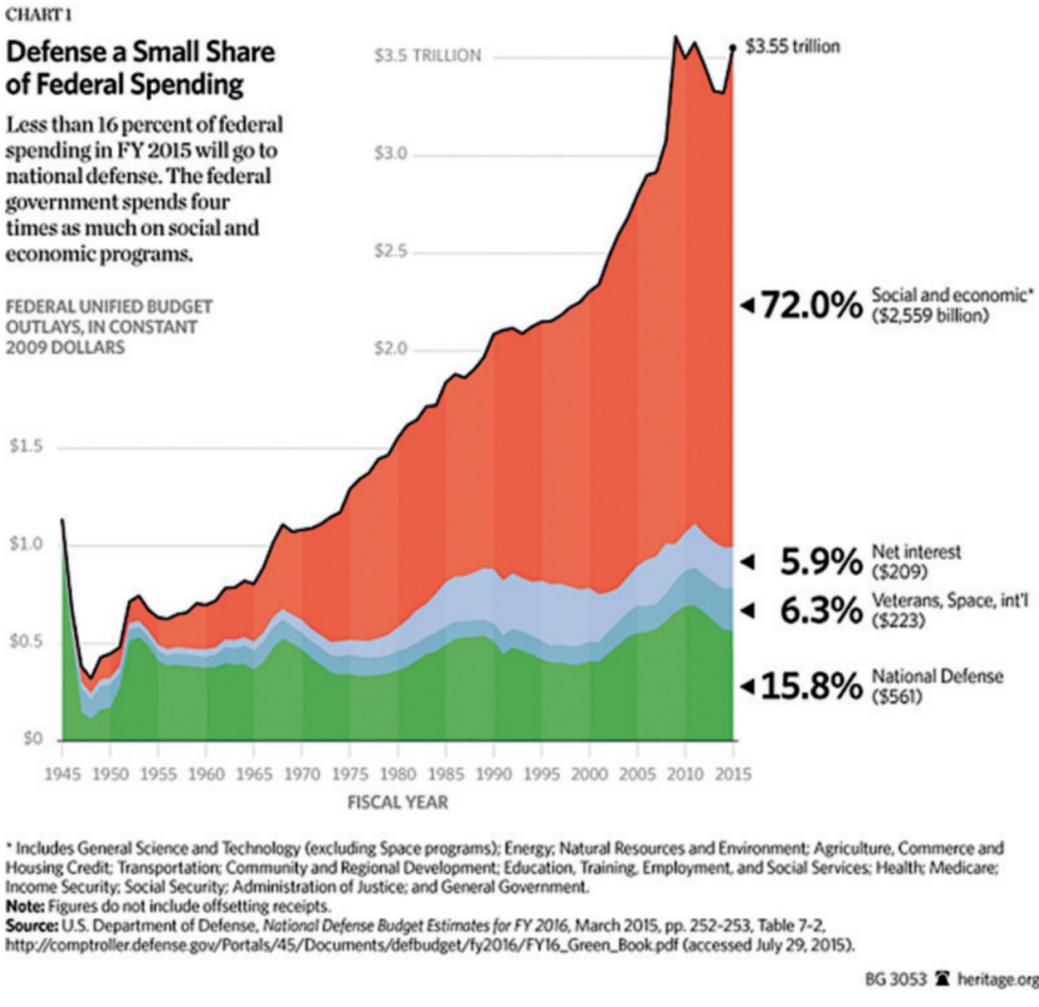
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## Flunking school districts to close in Texas

By Kenric Ward  
Watchdog

Five Texas school districts are ticketed to shut down next year after failing to meet state standards.

The state-ordered closures — the most in Texas history — affect some 10,000 students. Flunking academic or financial tests are:

La Marque Independent School District, in Galveston County.

Premont ISD, near Corpus Christi.

Jonesboro ISD, an hour west of Waco.

Pearsall ISD, in the Rio Grande Valley.

Marlin ISD, southeast of Waco.

“This is long overdue,” education advocate Peggy Venable said of La Marque. “It is one of those dropout factories where the adults need supervision and the students are a second thought at best.”

La Marque obtained a one-year reprieve in 2014, but its performance did not improve.

The district’s 2,500 students will be enrolled in a neighboring school system in July.

The Texas Education Agency revokes accreditation of districts that fail to meet scholastic or fiscal benchmarks for four consecutive years. Like many small districts around the state, the five failing systems have experienced declining enrollment.

“Closing a district is painful. It is a step that we take only as a last resort,” said TEA spokeswoman Debbie Ratcliffe. “We try many other routes before closing a district, but there comes a point where it is in the best interest of the children to close.”

Venable said, “Hats off to (outgoing TEA) Commissioner Michael Williams, who clearly has the kids’ best interest at heart. It is tough to shut down schools and to disrupt the status quo.”

But, she added, “Why aren’t legislators outraged and calling for opportunities for parents to pull their kids out of (failing

schools, providing more charter schools and scholarships to private schools?”

Robin Lennon, president and co-founder of the Kingwood Tea Party, sees a double-standard bias against school choice.

“Legislators were proud of the quick two-year failure trigger on charter schools, but couldn’t explain why public schools were allowed to fail entire families for years without closure,” Lennon said.

Marlin superintendent Mike Seabolt told Watchdog.org his district obtained a reprieve until next summer, when this year’s financial and academic records will be reviewed.

Describing the accountability metrics as “straightforward,” Seabolt said, “The process seemed pretty smooth to me.”

Venable, policy and legislative director at the Americans for Prosperity Foundation of Texas, says the state should have moved faster at La Marque.

“Students in La Marque are not getting the education that

they deserve and that taxpayers are paying for. This district has over \$10,000 per pupil, but is spending only \$4,000 per pupil on instruction. It is top-heavy, exceeding even the state average of one nonteacher for every teacher,” Venable said.

With just 2,500 students in eight schools, La Marque is \$28 million in debt.

TEA’s Ratcliffe said terminating failing districts doesn’t mean community schools are lost.

“The receiving district’s school board determines whether to continue to hold school in some of the buildings it has inherited. Typically, the size of the student population and the quality of the facilities will determine whether a building remains open as a school,” she said.

## Bad publicity, low pay blamed for law enforcement shortage

WICHITA, Kan (AP) Law enforcement agencies around Kansas are struggling to recruit new officers, and officials speculate that negative publicity that has accompanied a number of high-profile incidents could be playing a role.

From the police killing of Michael Brown in Ferguson, Mo., in 2014 to the firing of a school resource officer in South Carolina last month for his tactics in detaining a student, law enforcement is feeling the heat of public scrutiny.

“It has an impact on your 19-, 20-, 21- and 22-year-olds that maybe at some point were looking to get into law enforcement and over the last couple of years, they’ve seen the negativity,” said Capt. Brent Allred, who oversees the Wichita Police Department’s training bureau.

“Maybe they’ve changed their mind now: ‘Why would I want to be a law enforcement officer with all that stuff going on?’” he said.

Many factors

But other factors may be playing a bigger role in making recruiting more challenging these days, recruiters say.

“College is so expensive,” Allred said. “You get out of school \$40,000, \$50,000, \$60,000 in debt. ‘What job can I get that will help me pay off my debt?’”

Law enforcement positions, which typically start at around \$20,000 a year in the Wichita area, won’t be among those jobs, officials say. Graduates looking to pay off college debt will gravitate toward higher-paying careers.

“When you come to work in a law enforcement agency, you’re never going to get rich,” said Sedgewick County sheriff’s Col. Richard Powell, who oversees the department’s training center and firearms range. “You’ll get an honest wage for an honest day’s work and good benefits.”

Connecting with younger people coming out of high school and college is proving to be a struggle for law enforcement recruiters, Crawford County Sheriff Dan Peak said. His brother teaches a criminal justice course at a college in Utah, he said, and a common theme has emerged in conversations with students.

“They anticipate they’re going to graduate and go right in as a detective,” Peak said.

They expect to work 9-to-5 shifts with weekends off, he said.

“‘Entitlement’ is the word of the day” for many young applicants, Peak said.

The reality is much different.

For new police officers, deputies, corrections officers and detention deputies, “the very first thing that happens to you is you’re going to go to work nights — late nights,” Powell said. “You’ll get Monday and Tuesday off, and you’re going to be working holidays and miss a lot of family events — birthdays, weddings.”

Many open positions

The unappealing work shifts may also be a factor in why interest in law enforcement positions has been waning, officials say.

When he became a Kansas Highway Patrol trooper in 2003, Chad Crittenden said, he was one of more than 800 people who applied to become a trooper. Fewer than 300 signed up for the most recent test that is part of the application process, he said.

“I would definitely say we’re struggling with applicants,” Crittenden said. “Some of it is, I think, some people just don’t want to be in that field because of the negative light that it’s been in.”

The recruiting challenges for law enforcement agencies are significant because many are dealing with substantial manpower shortages. The Kansas Highway Patrol has more than 100 open positions — and there are just 19 cadets in the highway patrol academy class now underway in Salina.

When the highway patrol was fully staffed in the 1990s, Crittenden said, the agency did not hire new troopers for more than four years. That decision is now haunting the agency due to a higher-than-usual number of retirements in recent years, he said.

The Wichita Police Department has more than 50 open positions for officers. While the Sedgewick County Sheriff’s Department has only two open positions for deputies, Powell said, it took one of the largest academy classes in years — 14 — to reduce that shortage.

The Shawnee County Sheriff’s Office in Topeka has 34 open positions for deputies, Sheriff Herman Jones said.

## In DC, public housing tenants put out, then homes flipped

WASHINGTON (AP) — In the rapidly gentrifying nation’s capital, real estate investors aren’t the only ones flipping houses for profit. The city’s public housing authority is getting in on the action — moving aging tenants out of homes where they’ve lived for decades, renovating them and selling them to wealthy buyers.

The renovations, at a cost of more than \$300,000 per home, are outfitting the houses with luxury amenities, and some of the houses have sold for nearly \$900,000. Others, however, have sat vacant for a year or longer after tenants were forced out.

The housing authority plans to use the profits to renovate existing subsidized rental units and build new ones. But most of that work hasn’t started, and none of the money has gone to new construction yet, according to the agency. Meanwhile, sales have been slow-moving and haphazard.

Some elderly tenants and their children have asked for an

opportunity to purchase the homes, only to be rebuffed, even after spending thousands of dollars maintaining the rental properties.

The homes are known in public-housing circles as “scattered sites” — single-family properties around Washington that are rented to public-housing tenants. Many are in desirable neighborhoods, including Capitol Hill and Shaw, where median home prices have more than doubled in the past 15 years to \$500,000-plus.

The District of Columbia Housing Authority once had more than 300 scattered sites and has been slowly selling them off since the 1990s. But in 2010, when the city’s real-estate market began to rebound after the Great Recession, the agency started treating the properties as real-estate investors would — gutting, rehabbing and selling them for as much as the market can bear. Previously, the homes were sold to low- and moderate-income buyers or to nonprofits that maintained them as afford-

able housing, a practice common to housing authorities nationwide.

One home, on a well-kept block in Capitol Hill, has been vacant since late 2013, when the longtime tenants — Lula Brooks, 81, and her husband, Sonny, 82 — were abruptly moved out. Brooks and her son said the housing authority threw away many of her belongings — including a washing machine, furniture, clothing and personal documents. The authority disputes this account, but Brooks’ next-door neighbor, Jon Wadsworth, told The Associated Press he watched as employees threw the belongings away.

The house wasn’t renovated. A year later, it was put on the market for \$400,000 — unusually low for the neighborhood. It eventually sold for that price after higher offers fell through, but the housing authority asked its title company not to sign over the deed. The sale is tied up in litigation.

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## Obamacare's co-ops were regulated to death before they were even born

By Eric Boehm  
Watchdog

It's been a no good, very bad month for the Affordable Care Act.

One of the nation's top insurance companies has threatened to pull out of the government-run health insurance exchanges, while others are raising rates by double-digits after realizing that people signing up for insurance tend to be older and sicker than originally hoped.

On top of that, enrollment projections are way off.

But perhaps the biggest immediate crisis facing the Obama administration's signature health reform measure is the utter collapse of many of the so-called "cooperatives" that were set up by states as part of the 2010 law.

The Consumer Operated and Oriented Plan, or Co-Op, portion of the health care law established nonprofit health insurers that would receive federal funding and were intended to compete with private, for-profit insurers on the exchanges as a way to lower prices. They were supposed to be small-scale single-payer systems that would be free from the profit motive; a progressive's dream solution to the problem of providing health insurance for all.

Instead, they've turned into a nightmare. So far, 12 of the 23 co-ops have failed, defaulting on more than \$1.2 billion in federal loans. Only two have been able to break even so far, and most of the remaining co-ops are eyeing massive premium increases – as high as 40 percent in some cases – to stay solvent.

A government program being poorly run is nothing new, of course. But the co-ops established under the health care law were subject to a series of regulations that make you wonder how they were ever supposed to succeed in the first place.

"It should be no surprise that so many of them are going belly-up," said John Davidson, director of health policy for the Texas Public Policy Foundation, on the latest edition of the Watchdog Podcast. "The rules that they put on these co-ops almost set them up to fail."

For starters, the co-ops were barred from hiring anyone who had served at an executive level at any health insurance company in the country.

Think about that for a second. This was essentially a brand new business venture that was prevented from relying on the expertise of anyone who might have the slightest idea what they were doing.

Another regulation prevented the co-ops from raising any capital aside from what was provided via those federal loans. Other rules prevented the co-ops from being allowed to turn a profit, and if one happened to accidentally make money anyway, it wasn't allowed to use its profits to help it grow.

It's the kind of business plan that would be laughed out of a business school classroom.

"The co-ops were essentially amateur exercises," said Davidson. "Running a health insurance company and keeping it actuarially sound is a difficult thing to do, under the best of circumstances."

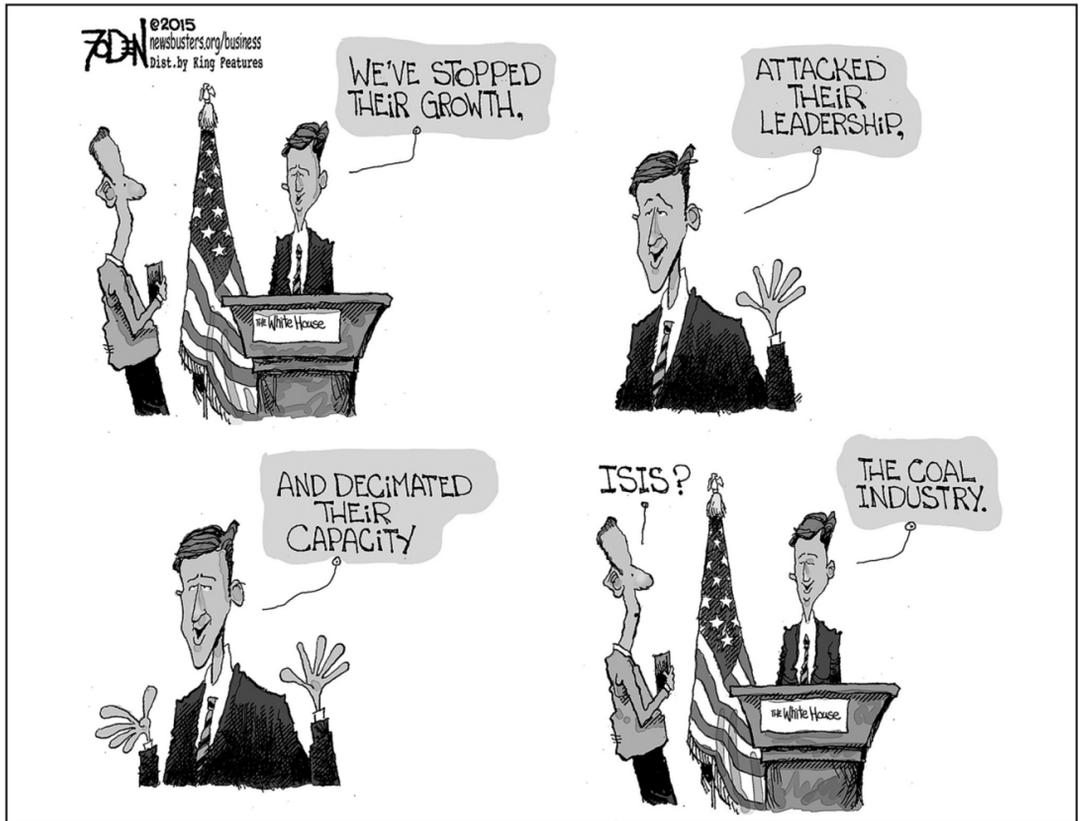
Republicans are eager to make the failures of the co-ops look like a major disaster for Democrats who backed the overhaul and particularly for the progressives who pushed for the inclusion of the pseudo-single-payer programs.

Sure, it's a political nightmare, but it's a real life nightmare too.

Several hundred thousand people – more than 100,000 in New York alone, where the nation's largest co-op is now going under – stand to lose their health insurance as a result of the implosions. Even those who don't lose coverage altogether face the prospect of paying significantly higher premiums.

"There were some hopes and prayers associated with the co-

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ops that were probably unrealistic," Larry Levitt, a senior vice president at the Kaiser Family Foundation, told National Journal's Caitlin

Owens last week. "The support for the co-ops was as much ideological as pragmatic. The way they emerged was so bizarre."

As Owens' detailed piece goes on to explain, there is a long history behind the sudden failure of so many of the co-op programs.

But the rules and regulations written into the text of the law makes it hard to believe there was ever much of a chance for the co-ops to succeed.

### King Crossword — Answers

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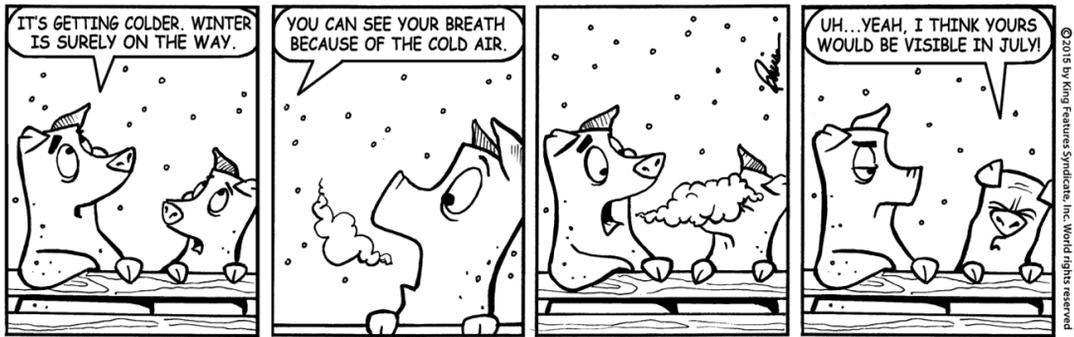
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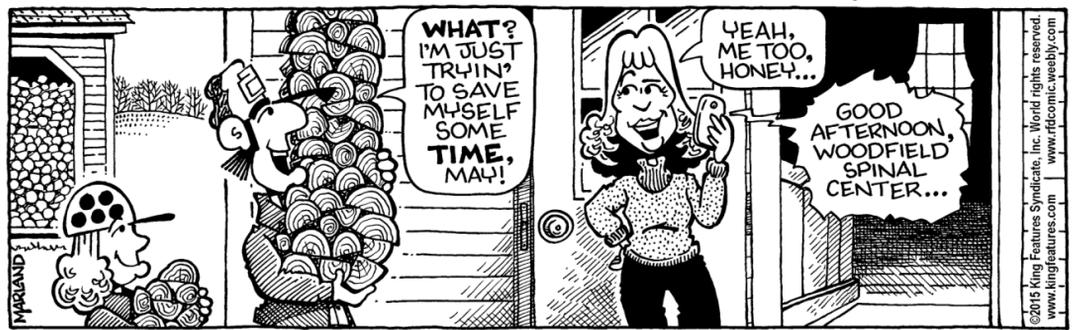
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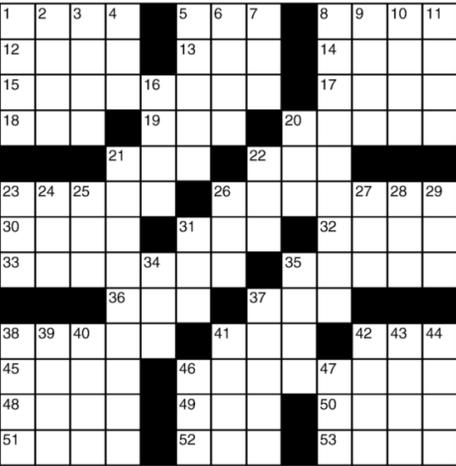
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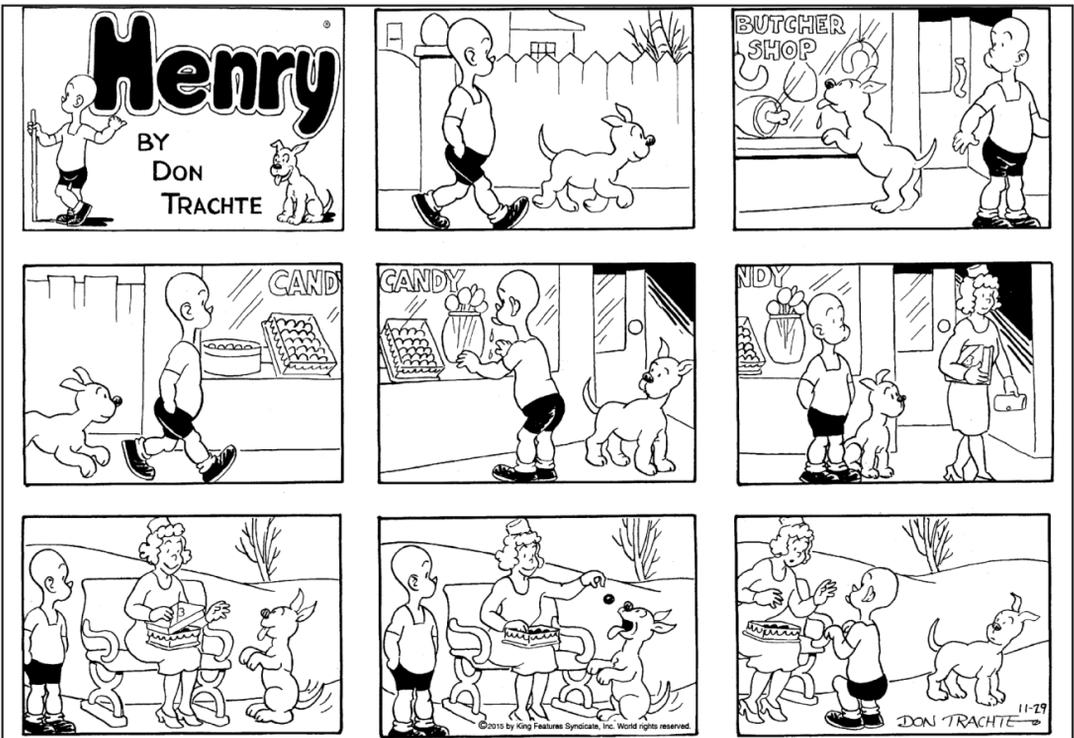
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  - 18 Lair
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  - 32 Really enjoying
  - 33 Three-part European union
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- DOWN**
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  - 5 Wedgwood product
  - 6 See 26- Across
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  - 9 Grouch
  - 10 Tresses
  - 11 "At Last" singer
  - 16 Coloration
  - 20 Type of code
  - 21 Way
  - 22 Satchel
  - 23 Scepter topper
  - 24 Fish eggs
  - 25 Prohibit
  - 26 Courteney of "Friends"
  - 27 Literary collection
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  - 29 "To be or — ..."
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  - 34 Actress Myrna
  - 35 Campus mil. program
  - 37 Glasses, slangily
  - 38 Shove
  - 39 Old Turkish title
  - 40 Unhurried
  - 41 Open slightly
  - 42 Unspoken "Alas!"
  - 43 Silents star
  - 44 From the beginning
  - 46 Shade provider
  - 47 Youngster



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## Kansas State Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Record
Sat. Sep 5	South Dakota	KSU 35-0	0-0 1-0
Sat. Sep 12, 2015	Texas San Antonio	KSU 30-3	0-0 2-0
Sat. Sep 19, 2015	Louisiana Tech	KSU 39-33	0-0 3-0
Sat. Oct 3, 2015	Oklahoma State	KSU 34-36	0-1 3-1
Sat. Oct 10, 2015	TCU Horned Frogs	KSU 52 - 55	0-2 3-2
Sat. Oct 17, 2015	Oklahoma Sooners	KSU 0 - 55	0-2 3-3
Sat. Oct 24, 2015	Texas Longhorns	KSU 9 - 23	0-3 3-4
Thur. Nov 5, 2015	Baylor Bears	KSU 24 - 31	0-4 3-5
Sat. Nov 14, 2015	Texas Tech	KSU 44 - 59	0-5 3-6
Sat. Nov 21, 2015	Iowa State Cyclones	KSU 38 - 35	1-5 4-6
Sat. Nov 28, 2015	Kansas Jayhawks	KSU 45 - 14	2-5 5-6
Sat. Dec 5, 2015	West Virginia	Manhattan	

## Kansas Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Time/Result	Record
9/5/2015	South Dakota State	Lawrence, Kan.	KU 38-41	0-0 0-1
9/12/2015	Memphis (Band Day)	Lawrence, Kan.	KU 23-55	0-0 0-2
9/26/2015	Rutgers	Piscataway, NJ	KU 14 - 27	0-0 0-3
10/3/2015	Iowa State	Ames, Iowa	KU 13 - 38	0-1 0-4
10/10/2015	Baylor	Lawrence, Kan.	KU 7 - 66	0-2 0-5
10/17/2015	Texas Tech	Lawrence, Kan.	KU 20 - 30	0-3 0-6
10/24/2015	Oklahoma State Stillwater, Okla.		KU 10 - 58	0-4 0-7
10/31/2015	Oklahoma (Homecoming)	Lawrence, Kan.	KU 7 - 62	0-5 0-8
11/7/2015	Texas	Austin, Texas	KU 20 - 59	0-6 0-9
11/14/2015	TCU	Fort Worth, Texas	KU 17 - 23	0-7 0-10
11/21/2015	West Virginia	Lawrence, Kan.	KU 0 - 49	0-8 0-11
11/28/2015	Kansas State	Lawrence, Kan.	KU 14 - 45	0-9 0-12

## Baylor Football Schedule

Date	Opponent / Event	Location	Time /	Result	Record
09/04/15	at SMU	Dallas, Texas	6:00	BU 56-21	0-0 1-0
09/12/15	vs. Lamar	Waco, Texas	6:30 p.m.	BU 66-31	0-0 2-0
09/26/15	vs. Rice	Waco, Texas	2:00 p.m.	BU 70-17	0-0 3-0
10/03/15	vs. Texas Tech *	Arlington, Texas	TBA	BU 63-35	1-0 4-0
10/10/15	at Kansas *	Lawrence, Kan.	TBA	BU 66-7	2-0 5-0
10/17/15	vs. West Virginia *	Waco, Texas	TBA	BU 62-38	3-0 6-0
10/24/15	vs. Iowa State *	Waco, Texas	TBA	BU 45-27	4-0 7-0
11/05/15	at Kansas State *	Manhattan, Kan.	6:30	BU 31-24	5-0 8-0
11/14/15	vs. Oklahoma *	Waco, Texas	TBA	BU 34-44	5-1 8-1
11/21/15	at Oklahoma State *	Stillwater, Okla.		BU 45-35	6-1 9-1
11/27/15	at TCU *	Fort Worth, Texas	6:30 p.m.	BU 21-28	6-2 10-2
12/05/15	vs. Texas *	Waco, Texas	TBA		

## Iowa State Football Schedule

Date	Opponent / Event	Location	Time / Result	Record
Sat, Sep 05	Northern Iowa	Ames, Iowa	ISU 31-7	0-0 1-0
Sat, Sep 12	Iowa	Ames, Iowa	ISU 17-31	0-0 1-1
Sat, Sep 19	Toledo	Toledo, Ohio	ISU 23-30	20T0-0 1-2
Sat, Oct 03	Kansas *	Ames, Iowa	ISU 38-13	1-0 2-2
Sat, Oct 10	Texas Tech *	Lubbock, Texas	ISU 31 - 66	1 1 2-3
Sat, Oct 17	TCU *	Ames, Iowa	ISU 21-45	1-2 2-4
Sat, Oct 24	Baylor *	Waco, Texas	ISU 27-45	1-3 2-5
Sat, Oct 31	Texas *	Ames, Iowa	ISU 24-0	2-3 3-6
Sat, Nov 07	Oklahoma *	Norman, Oklahoma	ISU 16-52	2-4 3-7
Sat, Nov 14	Oklahoma State *	Ames, Iowa	ISU 31-35	2-4 3-8
Sat, Nov 21	Kansas State *	Manhattan, Kansas	ISU 35-38	2-5 3-9
Sat, Nov 28	West Virginia *	Morgantown, W.V.	ISU 6-30	2-6 3-10

## Oklahoma Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Time (CT)	Results	Record
Sat, Sep 05	Akron	Norman	6:00 p.m.	OU 41-3	0-0 1-0
Sat, Sep 12	Tennessee	at Knoxville, Tenn.	5:00 p.m.	OU 31-24	0-0 2-0
Sat, Sep 19	Tulsa	Norman	11:00 a.m.	OU 52-38	0-0 3-0
Sat, Oct 03	West Virginia *	Norman		OU 44-24	1-0 4-0
Sat, Oct 10	Texas *	at Dallas, Texas	TBA	TX 24-17	1-1 4-1
Sat, Oct 17	Kansas State *	at Manhattan, Kan.	TBA	OU 55-0	2-1 5-1
Sat, Oct 24	Texas Tech *	Norman	TBA	OU 63-27	3-1 6-1
Sat, Oct 31	Kansas *	at Lawrence, Kan.	TBA	OU 62-7	4-1 7-1
Sat, Nov 07	Iowa State *	Norman	TBA	OU 52-16	5-1 8-1
Sat, Nov 14	Baylor *	at Waco, Texas	TBA	OU 44-34	6-1 9-1
Sat, Nov 21	TCU *	Norman	TBA	OJU 30-29	7-1 10-1
Sat, Nov 28	Oklahoma State *	at Stillwater, Okla.	TBA	OU 58-23	8-1 11-1

## Oklahoma State Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT/TIME	RECORD
Thu, Sept3	@ Cent Michigan	OSU 24-13	0-0 1-0
Sat, Sept 12	vs Cent Arkansas	OSU 32-8	0-0 2-0
Sat, Sept 19	vs UTSA	OSU 69-14	0-0 3-0
Sat, Sept 26	@ Texas	OSU 30-27	1-0 4-0
Sat, Oct 3	vs Kansas State	OSU 36-34	2-0 5-0
Sat, Oct 10	@ West Virginia	OSU 33-26	3-0 6-0
Sat, Oct 24	vs Kansas	OSU 58-10	4-0 7-0
Sat, Oct 31	@ Texas Tech	OSU 70-53	5-0 8-0
Sat, Nov 7	vs TCU	OSU 49-29	6-0 9-0
Sat, Nov 14	@ Iowa State	OSU 36-31	7-0 10-0
Sat, Nov 21	vs Baylor	OSU 35-45	7-1 10-1
Sat, Nov 28	vs Oklahoma	OSU 23-58	7-2 10-2

## TCU Football Schedule

Date	Opponent / Event	Location	Time /	Record
09/03/15	at Minnesota	Minneapolis, Minn.	TCU 21-17	0-0 1-0
09/12/15	vs. Stephen F. Austin	Fort Worth, Texas	TCU 70-7	0-0 2-0
09/19/15	vs. SMU	Fort Worth, Texas	TCU 56-37	0-0 3-0
09/26/15	at Texas Tech *	Lubbock, Texas	TCU 55-52	1-0 4-0
10/03/15	vs. Texas (Homecoming) *	Fort Worth, Texas	TCU 50-7	2-0 5-0
10/10/15	at Kansas State *	Manhattan, Kan.	TCU 55-52	3-0 6-0
10/17/15	at Iowa State *	Ames, Iowa	TCU 45-21	4-0 7-0
10/29/15	vs. West Virginia *	Fort Worth, Texas	TCU 40-10	5-0 8-0
11/07/15	at Oklahoma State *	Stillwater, Okla.	TCU 29-49	5-1 8-1
11/14/15	vs. Kansas *	Fort Worth, Texas	TCU 23-17	6-1 9-1
11/21/15	at Oklahoma *	Norman, Okla.	TCU 29-30	6-2 9-2
11/27/15	vs. Baylor *	Fort Worth, Texas	TCU 28-21	7-2 10-2

## Texas Tech Football Schedule

Date	Opponent / Event	Location	Time /	Record
09/05/15	vs. Sam Houston State	Lubbock, Texas	TT 59-45	0-0 1-0
09/12/15	vs. UTEP	Lubbock, Texas	TT 69-20	0-0 2-0
09/19/15	at Arkansas	Fayetteville, Ark.	TT 35-24	0-0 3-0
09/26/15	vs. TCU *	Lubbock, Texas	TT 52-55	0-1 3-1
10/03/15	vs. Baylor *	Arlington, Texas	TT 35-63	0-2 3-2
10/10/15	vs. Iowa State *	Lubbock, Texas	TT 66-31	1-2 4-2
10/17/15	at Kansas *	Lawrence, Kan.	TT 30-20	2-2 5-2
10/24/15	at Oklahoma *	Norman, Okla.	TT 27-63	2-3 6-2
10/31/15	vs. Oklahoma State *	Lubbock, Texas	TT 53-70	2-4 6-3
11/07/15	at West Virginia *	Morgantown, W.V.	TT 26-31	2-6 6-4
11/14/15	vs. Kansas State *	Lubbock, Texas	TT 59-14	3-6 7-4
11/26/15	at Texas *	Austin, Texas	TT 48-45	4-6 8-4

## Texas Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Result	Record
9/5/2015	Notre Dame	South Bend, Ind.	TU 3-38	0-0 0-1
9/12/2015	Rice	Austin, Texas	TU 42-28	0-0 1-1
9/19/2015	California	Austin, Texas	TU 44-45	0-0 1-2
9/26/2015	Oklahoma State	Austin, Texas	TU 27-30	0-1 1-3
10/3/2015	TCU	Fort Worth, Texas	TU 7-50	0-2 1-4
10/10/2015	Oklahoma	Dallas, Texas	TU 24-17	1-2 2-4
10/24/2015	K-State	Austin, Texas	TU 23-9	2-2 3-4
10/31/2015	Iowa State	Ames, Iowa	ISU 24-0	2-3 3-5
11/7/2015	Kansas	Austin, Texas	TU 59-20	3-4 4-6
11/14/2015	West Virginia	Morgantown, W.Va.	TU 20-38	3-5 4-7
11/26/2015	Texas Tech	Austin, Texas	TU 45-48	3-6 4-8
12/5/2015	Baylor	Waco, Texas	TBA	

## West Virginia Football Schedule

Date	Opponent / Event	Location	Result	Record
Sep 05, 2015	Georgia Southern	ROOT Sports	WV 44-0	0-0 1-0
Sep 12, 2015	Liberty	ROOT Sports	WV 41-17	0-0 2-0
Sep 26, 2015	Maryland		WV 45-6	0-0 3-0
Oct 03, 2015	at Oklahoma*		WV 24-44	1-0 4-0
Oct 10, 2015	Oklahoma State* (Homecoming)		WV 26-33	1-1 4-1
Oct 17, 2015	at Baylor*		WV 38 - 62	1-2 4-2
Oct 29, 2015	at TCU*		WV 10 - 40	1-3 5-3
Nov 07, 2015	Texas Tech* (Mountaineer Week)		WV 31 - 26	2-3 6-3
Nov 14, 2015	Texas*		WV 38 - 20	3-3 7-3
Nov 21, 2015	at Kansas*		WV 49 - 0	4-3 8-3
Nov 28, 2015	Iowa State*		WV 30 - 6	5-3 9-3
Dec 05, 2015	at Kansas State*		TBA	

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# K-State special teams send Wildcats to 45-14 win over Kansas

By DAVE SKRETTA  
AP Sports Writer

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) — Being a Kansas kid, quarterback Joe Hubener put a little extra emphasis on leading Kansas State past the rival Jayhawks in the annual Sunflower Showdown on Saturday.

He won't have a whole lot of time to enjoy it.

After the Wildcats scored a pair of touchdowns off botched punts in the first quarter, and Hubener scored twice in a 45-14 victory over Kansas, the Wildcats must turn their attention to beating West Virginia in next weekend's regular-season finale to qualify for a bowl game.

The Wildcats have not missed out since the 2009 season.

"That was a big goal of ours," Hubener said, "to get off to the right start offensively and put some points on the board early and hold them off for the rest of the game."

Hubener threw for 133 yards while running for his two TDs, Winston Dimel also ran for two scores, and Kansas State (5-6, 2-6 Big 12) won their second straight after a six-game skid.

The Wildcats' Morgan Burns scored a touchdown on special teams for the third straight game, though this one was a blocked punt recovery. His previous two were 100-yard kick-off returns.

"The first half was satisfying. Can't say the same thing for the second," Kansas State coach Bill Snyder said. "We're a team that hasn't put two halves together yet. We need to start consistent and finish and we haven't done that."

Ryan Willis threw for 215 yards with two touchdowns and a pick for Kansas (0-12, 0-9), which concluded its first season under David Beaty by going winless for the first time since 1954.

There were only a few thousand fans around to see the finish on a cold, icy day in eastern Kansas, and most of them were wearing purple. They were able to rejoice in the Wildcats' seventh-straight win over the Jayhawks, along with Snyder's 20th victory over them.

The celebration might as well have begun two minutes into the game.

After going three-and-out, the Jayhawks had trouble with the "out" part of things — punter Matthew Wyman dropped the snap and was leveled by a Kansas State defender. The Wildcats took over and on the next play, Dimel rumbled for a 12-yard touchdown run.

Kansas answered quickly with a six-play, 79-yard drive capped by a 27-yard touchdown pass from Willis to Tre Parmelee. But the Wildcats scored nearly as quickly, going 73 yards the other direction and taking a 14-7 lead when Dimel plowed into the end zone from a yard out.

The Jayhawks' special teams struggles continued moments later, when Wyman's next punt was blocked by Sam Sizelove. Burns scooped it up in the end zone and the rout was on.

"I'm going to take the blame for it," said Wyman, a place-kicker who is learning to punt on the fly. "It's definitely hard to get back into a rhythm when two things go bad."

Glenn Gronkowski added another TD run late in the first quarter for a 28-7 lead, and Hubener finished a grinding, methodical 54-yard march in the second quarter with a 2-yard TD run.

Things were so bad for the Jayhawks in the first half that their mascot was caught on video acting as if it was throwing up in a garbage can. The clip spread quickly on social media.

The loss concluded a frustrating first season for Beaty,



The Wildcats' Morgan Burns scored a touchdown on special teams for the third straight game, though this one was a blocked punt recovery. (File photo by Ben Brake)

who inherited a mess left by Charlie Weis. The Jayhawks began the season with just over 60 scholarship players, more than 20 below the Football Bowl Subdivision limit, then had numerous players — including its top three quarterbacks — go down with injuries as they struggled simply to be competitive.

"It's embarrassing to me personally and its embarrassing to KU, our university. They deserve better than that," Beaty said. "We can't do much about what's behind us, but we certainly can do something about what's ahead of us."

What lies ahead for Kansas

State is an opportunity to keep its bowl streak going.

After losing six straight to begin league play, the Wildcats engineered the biggest comeback in school history in a 38-35 win over Iowa State last weekend. Now, following a blowout of Kansas, they need

only to beat the Mountaineers on Senior Day to reach bowl eligibility.

"I feel like as a team we had a great game for the first time all season," Burns said. "I have huge pride in my team and I'm proud how they never gave up."

# Kansas State Has Very Successful Week In Big 12 Sports

This week has been a successful week for the Wildcats. The K-State sports week is summarized here:

## K-State Men's Basketball

Last week, KSU Men's Basketball beat Missouri soundly 66 to 42 in the College Basketball Hall of Fame Classic. This win propelled them to the championship game against number 19 North Carolina. When the Wildcats faced North Carolina, they produced one of the most solid games that they have had yet this season. While K-State lost, the final score of 80 to 70 does not show the close battle that K-State kept the game at most of the time. The Wildcats played a solid game right up until the last five minutes, where mental mistakes, such as bad passes gave North Carolina the

opportunities to put distance between themselves and the Wildcats. After Thanksgiving, K-State hosted South Carolina State University on Sunday. The Cats played a fairly inconsistent game allowing SCSU to lead and stay close most of the game. The Wildcats seemed to be doing well on offensive rebounding but struggled with their shooting. They were very cold with their 3-point shooting. Justin Edwards had a solid game the first half, but also seemed to struggle in the second half. The Cats manage to stay on top of SCSU 68-66. Their next game will at Georgia on Friday, December 4th at 6:00pm CST. The next home game is December 9th against Coppin State.

## KSU Women's Basketball

K-State Women faced Southern on Wednesday night in Manhattan. They were looking forward to returning home after their loss on the road to UConn. The Cats defeated Southern 59 to 47. The Jaguars led at halftime, but Kindred Wesemann quickly got them back into the game. The Cats are still at home on Thursday, December 3rd against UT Arlington at 7pm.

## KSU Volleyball

Kansas State Women's Volleyball faced the KU Jayhawks on Wednesday, November 25 and then the Baylor Bears on Sunday, November 28th. While the Cats were disappointed because they dropped both of those matches next week, they

still were invited to the NCAA tournament. K-State will face Wichita State Friday, December 4th in Lincoln, NE at 5:30pm.

## KSU Football

K-State headed east on I-70 to Lawrence for the Sunflower Showdown. While many people consider this game a "gimmie", a mark in the "Win" column for sure, this year nothing is assumed. K-State was wanting to get another win under their belt before facing West Virginia on December 5th, and KU is hoping to get their first win of the season. Early in the first quarter, KU muffed the punt and the Cats took the ball into the end zone. This was to set up the second score for the Cats. While K-State was taking advantage of KU's mis-

takes, their defense was still struggling. The Cats had a huge margin of victory, 45-14, but pass plays and the defensive secondary are still worrisome for the West Virginia. This game is still important for K-State and their bowl game hopes, but it was announced on Sunday that possibility up to five teams who have a record of 5-7 for the year could possibility go to a bowl game. While a win against West Virginia will guarantee a bowl bid, there is still a chance that the Cats will go to a bowl game. This could be the Cactus Bowl, the Liberty Bowl, or the Heart of Dallas bowl most likely. K-State plays West Virginia Dec 5th at 3:30pm at Bill Snyder Family Stadium.

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# Kansas St escapes with 68-66 win over South Carolina St

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — Bruce Weber and Justin Edwards stood some 30 feet apart, one calling out a defensive play and the other waiting to attempt a free throw, but replayed the same scenario over and over again in their own heads.

Last season, Kansas State played an emotional game at the Sprint Center in Kansas City, Missouri, before returning home and being embarrassed by Texas Southern 58-56.

Coming off a close loss to No. 9 North Carolina in Kansas City, both Weber and Edwards feared their young team would meet the same fate against South Carolina State.

The latter was determined to make sure that wouldn't happen.

Edwards scored 18 points, including four key free throws in the final 17 seconds, and Kansas State avoided an upset bid by South Carolina State, 68-66, on Sunday.

"We didn't bounce back the way we wanted to," Edwards said. "Obviously we wanted to come out and punish this team, but it shows we have some character because we toughed it out."

The Bulldogs pulled within 64-61 with 21 seconds remaining on an Ed Stephens 3-pointer - one of five for him on the day - but Edwards sealed the game at the line on two separate occasions. The senior guard also pulled down 7 rebounds and had 6 assists.

Dean Wade finished with 12 points and Wesley Iwundu 11. Stephen Hurt tallied 10 points and 10 rebounds to go along with 2 assists for Kansas State (5-1).

Stephens scored 24 points and Eric Eaves 21 for South

Carolina State (3-4). Together, they accounted for 68 percent of the Bulldogs' scoring on 15 of 28 shooting, including 7 of 13 from beyond the arc.

"Those two guys can really score the basketball," Bulldogs coach Murray Garvin said. "I tell them every day that is not our challenge. They can put the ball in the hole. They've been scoring, and they were high school teammates so they know how to play with each other."

Kansas State trailed 21-16 with 8:20 left in the opening half when it sparked a 20-9 run to close out the first period to take a 36-30 halftime lead. Iwundu threw down a highlight reel dunk on an alley-oop from Kamau Stokes early in the run, and later split the defense on a one-handed pass to Edwards to cap off the rally and give the Wildcats their biggest lead of the first half.

The Bulldogs kept it close for most of the second half after Iwundu rattled off three-straight buckets and dished out an assist to Stokes for a 3-pointer to extend Kansas State's halftime lead to 50-39 with 15:07 left.

Both teams struggled shooting the ball for much of the final period, shooting a combined 3 of 18 during one stretch. The 3-point ball kept South Carolina State in the game, as the Bulldogs shot 38 percent from deep.

Kansas State overcame 17 turnovers and poor rebounding late.

"We weren't ready to play, but we won so we have to move forward," Weber said. "We lost to North Carolina - we felt like we competed - but you have to move forward. We had some guys with a little bit of a hang-over after that."



Kansas States' Dean Wade (32) scores two of his 12 points on this play. (Photos by Ben Brake)



Kansas State's Guard Kamau Stokes (3) make a drive for the basket.



KSU's other Guard Barry Brown (5) puts up a shot from the corner.



Kansas State's Wesley Iwundu (24) gets fouled going up under the basket.



Stephen Hurt (41) picked up 10 points and 10 rebounds.

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