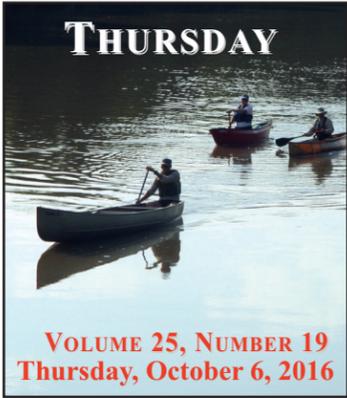


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The Question Needs To Be Asked...

Does Manhattan Need More Taxes For Streets?

Editorial
By Jon A. Brake

The Manhattan City Commission has approved a resolution to place a special question on the General Election ballot on November 8. Voters will be asked to consider a 0.20% increase in the Manhattan sales tax to fund street repairs and Safe Routes to School projects.

To answer the question above ... No!

In 2010 the City had a Budget of \$104.2 million and they were able to fix the streets. In 2012 the Budget jumped to \$113.2 million and the City was able to fix the streets.

In 2016 the Budget was \$138 million and the City was able to fix streets.

And for 2017 the Budget will jump another \$10 million but the City does not have the money to fix the streets. Why?

It called priorities. The City Staff has big ideas but ideas cost money. They want to replace ball diamonds with large indoor playing fields. Not just one but three or four. Costs... Millions.

The City Staff wants to sell most of their maintenance building and build a Maintenance Park. Like what the County did north of Manhattan.

Remember how the County got the money to pay for the eight new building? We do.

For several years county employee would call the Free Press and say that the County Commissioners would not let them spend the money in the Budget to repair roads.

The State of Kansas puts a \$300,000 limit on constructing new buildings. Anything over that has to go to the voters.

Each year the County Commissioners would hold up repair on roads and bridges and then build a new building. It works.

After five or six years the Commissioners took the badly need of repairs roads to the voters. But not before the City Commission took most of the money. For the City it was called "Economic Development." The only thing is, after the Sales Tax passed the City passed an ordinance saying that they could spend the money on anything they wanted.

Where did the County Commissioners get the idea to let the roads fail? From the City of Manhattan. Manhattan went for 5-years without repairing streets when the Town Center Mall was being built. Why? Because they needed money for parking lots and other related expenses.

The City has a Commission that the Staff plays like a fine violin, with only one string (Wynn Butler) that sounds like fingernails against a blackboard.

Mayor Usha Reddi, Mayor Pro Tem Linda Morse, Commissioner Karen McCulloh are Progressives or what was call Liberal. Progressives like to spend money (your money) just like the Liberals but Liberal developed a bad name so now they are called Progressives.

And where have these Progressives and many before them taken the City of Manhattan?

Deep, deep in Debt. One of the bonding companies downgraded the City.

**How much debt you ask...
2015 - \$277,262,987.**

**Debt Authority Remaining:
2015 - \$52,911,140**

The City pays \$29,325,555 a year just on paying off the debt but the debt has remained above \$270 million for years.

Does the City of Manhattan need another tax? No they need new Commissioners.



Downtown Manhattan looks good, it should. In the 25-years of the Free Press downtown has been "re-developed four times. But it did not cost the taxpayers a cent. The Downtown businesses pay for the re-development. Oh! This is a tax, on taxpayers, isn't it.

Stonestreet Gives \$50K To Cancer Research

MANHATTAN — "Modern Family" actor Eric Stonestreet, an alumnus of Kansas State University, has donated \$50,000 to the university's Johnson Cancer Research Center to support a promising research project.

"Cancer research is near and dear to my heart because, like so many others, it's touched my life," said Stonestreet, referring to his mother's and other family

members' battles with the disease.

Stonestreet's gift will immediately advance collaborative research being done by two chemistry professors to develop a technology to detect cancers at their earliest stages, when they are more likely to be curable.

With Stonestreet's gift, Stefan Bossmann, professor of chemistry and expert in

nanobiosensor technology, and Christopher Culbertson, associate professor of chemistry and expert in microfluidic — also known as "lab-on-a-chip" — technology, will create a working prototype of their cancer-detection test.

"Thanks to Mr. Stonestreet's support for our prototype development, we will be able to better compete for federal funding so that we can test our device

with clinical samples," Culbertson said.

"It's an exciting time in cancer research and I'm proud to be able to contribute in some way to the good work being done at the Johnson Cancer Research Center at K-State," said Stonestreet, who won the Emmy Award in 2010 and 2012 for outstanding supporting actor in a comedy series.

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Kansas Profile

Tracy Teeter – The Main ARTery

By Ron Wilson, director of the Huck Boyd National Institute for Rural Development at Kansas State University.

The main artery is vitally important in the circulatory system of every person. It carries nutrients and life-giving oxygen that is vital to the human body. Today we'll learn about a different type of artery. This one is literally about Art. The Main ARTery is a catchy name for a remarkable art gallery in a rural region of Kansas. It's today's Kansas Profile.

Tracy Teeter is owner of The Main ARTery in Ulysses, Kansas. She grew up at Ulysses and studied commercial art at Garden City Community College and Emporia State before working in the restaurant business at various locations around the country. In 1995, she returned to Ulysses and went to work for an attorney. She also met and married her husband, Lynn Teeter.

Tracy practiced painting pastels on the side. In 2005, she befriended a local frame shop owner and fellow artist named Jeani Gustafson. After seeing her friend's artwork, Tracy said, "Let's do a show together." The two joined with other artists to plan and produce an art show in

Ulysses.

In the end, there were 11 artists who participated. They called it "Rendezvous with the Arts" and they held it at the local museum.

"It was a great night," Tracy said. In fact, it was so successful that Rendezvous with the Arts has been held annually ever since.

The only problem with the first show was that it was so crowded with people.

While it was nice to have an overflow crowd, more space was needed.

Meanwhile, there was a need for a clothing store in Ulysses. No local sources for clothing were available. Tracy and Jeani and five other women got together and sold shares to the community for a community-owned clothing store. They ultimately opened a store called Trendsetters on the main street downtown.

They recognized that the 3,000 square foot space next to Trendsetters on main street would be just right for an art gallery, so these women got together and organized it. Jeani Gustafson owned the business but they all pitched in. They named the business The Main ARTery.

On January 1, 2015, Tracy and Lynn Teeter bought The Main ARTery from Jeani.

Her husband was promoted to be CEO of his company and they relocated to Nebraska. The Teeters also rented the other half of the building which had housed Trendsetters. That is now a home décor, antique, and furniture store named Main ARTery Plus.

Together, that makes a 7,000 square foot space for art and furnishings.

From that original group of 11, the Main ARTery has now grown to include 26 fine artists and 20 vendors from across the nation. These artists create works of art in watercolor, oils, pastels, sculpture, photography, jewelry, clay, collage, wood, crochet and more. Vendors within the gallery offer antiques, home decor, sports merchandise, candles, hand crafts, and lots of ideas to share in decorating. Framing is available in the store. The Main ARTery offers art classes, receptions, and other activities on a regular basis.

One sculptor lives in New York. It turns out that his aunt and uncle live here in Ulysses. Other artists come from small

and large communities around Kansas. One lives at the rural community of Cunningham, population 504 people. Now, that's rural.

The Main ARTery has become a popular place for buying gifts. "We've been compared favorably to Santa Fe," Tracy said. "We offer items in all price ranges."

Customers have visited the store from coast to coast and as far away as Germany and Norway. Wow. Here, even people from around the globe can have a Rendezvous with the Arts. For more information, see

The main artery. It's vitally important in the circulatory system of each person, and this ARTery is important in the life and culture of southwest Kansas. We salute Tracy and Lynn Teeter and all those involved with the Main ARTery for making a difference with creativity and entrepreneurship. It's like a beautiful work of art.

And there's more. The cousin of Tracy's husband Lynn owns a company which is selling innovative water-conserving equipment across the nation. We'll learn about that next week.

Riding celebrity wave, Justice Ginsburg releasing anthology

WASHINGTON (AP) — Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg is riding the wave of her rock-star celebrity, releasing a compilation of her writings that range from a high school editorial to summaries of some of her spiciest dissenting opinions.

There seems to be no end lately to the interest in the court's oldest member, the senior justice of its liberal wing

who this summer made news for her criticism of Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump.

A recent, playful biography called "Notorious RBG" was a best-seller. A children's book on the justice and a Ginsburg coloring book came out this year. There's a blog devoted to her, endless T-shirts and even people with Ginsburg tattoos.

The justice said recently of

her popularity: "It is amazing that at age 83, everyone wants to take a picture with me."

"My Own Words," a collection of the justice's writings, comes out Tuesday. It's a sort of greatest hits album. It's also her first book since joining the court more than two decades ago.

Ginsburg fans won't necessarily read anything new, but devotees will no doubt be delighted to have some 300 pages of Ginsburg all in one place. There are also a few pictures, including one of Ginsburg on an elliptical machine wearing a "Super Diva" sweatshirt.

The book includes the speech Ginsburg gave in the White House's Rose Garden in 1993 to accept her nomination to the court by President Bill Clinton and the opening statement she gave at her confirmation hearing. There's a summary of the decision she wrote in a case that opened the Virginia Military Institute to women and her dissent in a case involving Goodyear employee Lilly Ledbetter, who lost her lawsuit over being paid less than male counterparts.

The book contains talks Ginsburg has given about others, among them former colleagues: retired Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, the late Justice Antonin Scalia and the late Chief Justice William Rehn-

quist.

Ginsburg has said the anthology had been planned to come out after her official biography. But work on the biography began in 2003 and her biographers don't appear to be wrapping up any time soon, she has said. Her biographers, Wendy Williams and Mary Hartnett, did help select pieces for the anthology and provide context in introductions.

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

More court-ordered money to schools wouldn't make them any more accountable

David Dorsey
Kansas Policy Institute

KASB asks the question: "What would Kansas schools do with more money?" Despite the fact that this is a question that could be asked every school year, since K-12 funding keeps increasing annually, the query is a reference to the pending Kansas Supreme Court decision in the Gannon case.

And why not speculate? Given the track record of all the courts in this lawsuit (and all the other suits that have preceded it) reveling in their ability to usurp legislative authority, why would anyone think the Supreme Court will have a collective crisis of conscience and do the right thing this time?

Let's assume the Supreme Court will order \$ _____ million (fill in the blanks) to education, and for now disregard the crippling consequences that this will cause in the Kansas economy and the rest of state government because it will precipitate a massive tax increase and a potential decrease in other state services. (This is what happens when a court wants to play legislature.)

KASB believes that the additional money will "allow" the 286 school districts across the state to fulfill the latest initiative from the Kansas State Board of Education: Kansans Can. Kansans Can is not based on data; on the contrary, it is but a vision that serves as vehicle to justify more inputs into the education system. There is nothing in the initiative that addresses achievement, other than giving attention to graduation rates as KPI showed here and here.

Several of those Kansans Can inputs are addressed in the KASB report. However, I will limit my response to three.

Early Childhood Education (Pre-K). One of the Kansans Can cornerstones is getting more kids to school at an earlier age. Pre-K is something that sounds like such a natural that it's almost intuitive. Certainly, getting a good education at an early age is important. But the truth is, Pre-K is nothing more than a pig in a poke. Research that was cited in this blog, shows that there is no evidence that Pre-K provides long-term gains to students. Researchers at the Brookings Institute call Pre-K "a bad idea." And it's no secret that a half-century of Head Start has failed to make progress among low-income students. Research that has found learning advantages gained from Pre-K, reports that gains disappear by third grade. No amount of money can overcome "a bad idea."

Individual plans of study for career preparation. This is an-

other that falls under the heading of "sounds like a good idea," but it is actually an intrusive, unnecessarily burdensome, and ultimately ineffective concept. First of all, this is not to be confused with individualized education, which KPI stands behind and is a pillar of school choice. The individualized plan concept is a top-down approach, administered by school counselors. In this blog I addressed this idea, pointing out the weaknesses of an effort that would require all students to have a post-secondary plan. This comes with many unanswered concerns, including: parental role in the process, monitoring and implementation, what happens when plans change, will schools "direct" students or "push" students into something they don't want, how to track students after high school, among others. Ultimately, individual plans would be an administratively bloated bureaucratic nightmare.

Teacher salaries and learning time. The one nail KASB hits on the head is the idea that the money will go to teacher salaries and benefits. It's a safe bet that that's where most of the money will go because once the court super-sizes K-12 funding, the teachers' unions will be at the ready, making sure it will get directed to their members. This is exactly what happened after the Montoy decision a decade ago. We teachers were given sizable raises and more employees were hired, but the money was not targeted to improve student outcomes.

Effective teachers should be treated like real professionals and paid for performance, but simply plugging any additional money into a pre-existing salary matrix will fail to recognize the differences among teachers. There is no data that says putting more money into a one-size-fits-none salary scale produces better outcomes. Retaining and rewarding effective teachers could make a difference, but school boards and unions are perpetually opposed

to a pay-by-ability approach.

The heart of the counter argument to the KASB report is that schools already have the money that allows them to address the Kansans Can vision. More money is not going to

change that. School districts are given a wide berth when it comes to spending given the absence of state direction or mandate. And keep in mind any additional court-ordered money will also come with no strings attached, since Kansas

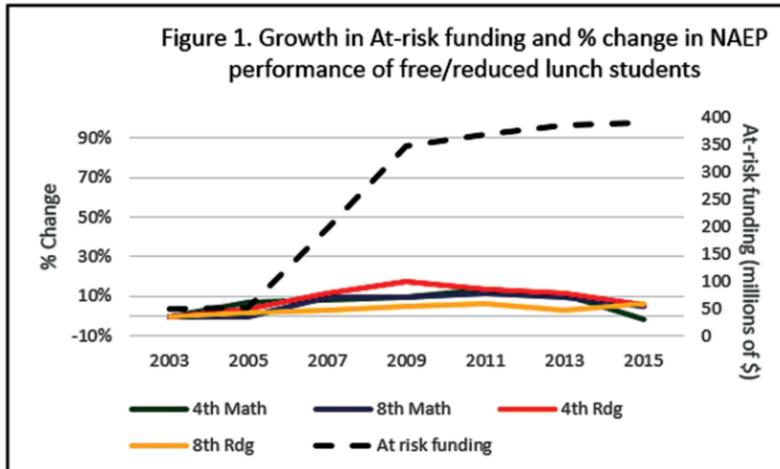
has no mechanism for requiring schools to be accountable for what they spend. Spending decisions are made at the local level, not the state level.

Any money the Supreme Court orders will provide nothing other than more of the same. It would be a redux of the post-Montoy decision in which the bulk of the extra money ordered to education ended up in the pockets of people – people who were already there. (I know because I was teaching at the time.) The money the Supreme Court ordered pursuant to Montoy was supposed to improve student outcomes, especially those deemed at-risk. It is evident from this graph that it didn't work.

Even though, according to the KASB report, local school boards "across the state" will make Kansans Can the priority for additional funding, when

given the money the schools will revert back to what they've always done: give more to the teachers and administrators at the expense of improving student outcomes.

Instead of fantasizing about what Kansas schools would do with hundreds of millions more, Kansas school boards should be held accountable for wasting a good deal of the money they already are given by taxpayers. The Kansas Association of School Boards is hoping that the Kansas Supreme Court will ignore their own test on adequacy and appropriate up to \$1 billion more for schools, but simply spending more money won't do much for students. Kansas already tried that once but still has large achievement gaps for low income kids and the majority of the more affluent students need remedial training.



Kansas Supreme Court
 Seated left to right: Hon. Marla J. Luckert, Hon. Lawton R. Nuss, Chief Justice; Hon. Carol A. Beier.
 Standing left to right: Hon. Dan Biles, Hon. Eric S. Rosen, Hon. Lee A. Johnson, and Hon. Caleb Stegall.

The General Election Will Be November 8, 2016

Would A Different Kansas Supreme Court Help Stop The Endless Lawsuits By School Boards?

KASB, school lawyers ignore reality in naked money grab

(Part of a Kansas Policy Institute Report By Dave Trabert)

"NAEP scores didn't just decline in Kansas, but across the country in 2015 and especially so in Math, a subject that has been the target of much Common Core controversy. Could the transition to Common Core have anything to do with lower scores and wider gaps? The Department of Education is on record as saying so; I attended a legislative committee hearing where KSDE was asked why they thought the 2013 NAEP scores dipped, and their only speculation was that the transition to Common Core might have been an impact. Not a word was said about funding."

"Could achievement gaps improve if most of the money allocated for improvement of low income kids' scores was actually spent for their direct, exclusive benefit? Probably, but KPI scholar David Dorsey discovered that most of the billions intended to help those kids went elsewhere."

"Could all students benefit by operating more efficiently and spending the savings on Instruction? Probably, but school administrators and their lobbyists oppose every effort to help school boards save money; they openly say they want to be inefficient and expect taxpayers to pay extra for the waste."

"Reality doesn't matter to KASB and taxpayer-funded school lawyers; they just want more money. And if they get it from the courts or the Legislature without any accountability for outcomes, students will be no better off because after all, it's just

Big-Government Presidential Candidates, Look at Venezuela

By Michael D. Tanner
CATO Institute

Even as Americans lurch toward the conclusion of a monumentally unsatisfying election campaign, Yon Goicoechea is sitting in a Venezuelan prison for demanding the basic political rights that we take for granted.

Goicoechea, who won the Cato Institute's Milton Friedman Prize for Advancing Liberty in 2008, for organizing student opposition to the Chávez regime, was seized by Venezuelan secret police a month ago and is being held on trumped-up terrorism charges at an undisclosed location. (Most observers believe he is in a cell at the secret police headquarters in Caracas.) Goicoechea joins other prominent opposition leaders, including Carlos Melo and , who are being illegally held by Hugo Chávez's successor, Nicolás Maduro. There is serious reason to worry about his health and safety.

Beyond Goicoechea's plight, there are lessons for all of us in this. What makes our country so different from Maduro's Venezuela, or Putin's Russia, or other authoritarian regimes is our commitment to the rule of law, limited government, and checks and balances.

That is why it is so deeply troubling when the major presidential candidates seek to weaken those protections. Just last week, Donald Trump de-

cried the fact that Ahmed Khan Rahami, accused of the September 17 bombing in New York City, would receive medical care, legal representation, and a trial. And, in this week's presidential debate, Hillary Clinton called for Americans to be stripped of their Second Amendment rights if the government arbitrarily, and without due process, puts them on a terrorist watch list. Trump's response was to agree with Hillary on sacrificing the Second Amendment. He then tossed in the Fourth, advocating a return to "stop and frisk." Nor should we forget about Trump's earlier calls for racial and religious profiling, and his praise for Putin, or about Hillary's promise to go even further than President Obama in ignoring congressional authority. A pen and a phone is not the democratic process.

It's also worth keeping in mind Venezuela's economic crisis brought on by the Chávez-Maduro regime's relentless class warfare and government intervention in the economy. This is a government that has managed to create shortages of everything from food to toilet paper. In the latest Index of Economic Freedom, Venezuela ranks dead last among 159 countries. If ever there was an object lesson about the follies of government economic control, it is Venezuela.

Yet both of the leading presi-

dential candidates seem determined to ignore this lesson. Both want to increase the size, cost, and intrusiveness of government. Both want the government to limit free trade — that is, to tell us whom we can buy from and sell to — and to raise taxes on and prices for consumers. Both candidates think we need massive new government spending for infrastructure and pet programs. The biggest difference between

them seems to be that Hillary wants to tax and spend, while Trump wants to borrow and spend.

Trump did give rhetorical service to cutting regulations, a thought that would cause Hillary's head to explode, but is hard to square with other parts of his program, such as his new child-care plan and call for paid parental leave. And his call for tax cuts would ring truer if his call for higher tariffs

on imports weren't a tax on consumers.

Meanwhile, Hillary continued to prove that her recent move to the left is not just tactics, designed to corral wayward Bernie voters, but a matter of genuine conviction. Most people see taxes as, at best, a necessary evil. Hillary shows them the adoration usually reserved for sacraments.

Regardless of which of these

two becomes president, the era of big government is officially back.

No one seriously believes that we are, or will become, Venezuela. But it is said that "the price of liberty is eternal vigilance." That means we should be prepared to call out candidates, regardless of partisan predilections, when they threaten to erode basic American freedoms.



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Gun Ownership, Concealed-Carry Permits Up Among Women

Heritage Foundation

Antonia Okafor, a Dallas resident, says she believes a gun can be the great equalizer for women to defend themselves—one reason she is now the southwest regional director for a group called Students for Concealed Carry.

“We see ourselves as doing this as a means of empowerment,” @antonia_okafor says.

State laws allowing residents to carry concealed weapons have been enacted in all 50 states, with varying degrees of regulation—most recently on college campuses.

“We see ourselves as doing this as a means of empowerment,” Okafor, 26, told The Daily Signal in a phone interview. “Real feminism is about empowerment and taking our safety into our own hands.”

Okafor, who is black, said more female role models, such as Olympic gold medalist Kim Rhode, have inspired more gun ownership among women.

But Okafor—a graduate of the University of Texas at Dallas, where she became involved in the movement—said her mother is opposed to guns.

In an April poll by ABC News of issues millennial women are most concerned about, gun rights scored even with equal pay and abortion, each getting 11 percent.

A study by the Crime Prevention Research Center earlier this month found concealed-carry permits have boomed nationally, but particularly among women and minorities. “In eight states where we have data by gender, since 2012 the number of permits has increased by 161 percent for women and by 85 percent for men,” the report says.

From 2007 through 2015, concealed-carry permits issued by state and local governments increased about 75 percent faster among nonwhites than whites, according to the report.

Okafor noted that those living in the inner city “are the most likely to benefit” from self-defense.

“A lot of minority homes didn’t have father figures growing up,” Okafor told The Daily Signal. “The right to bear arms is a way to protect our community. Every weekend people are dying in cities riddled with gun control.”

Okafor said increasing gun ownership could mark a political shift among both women and minorities away from pro-gun control Democrats to pro-gun rights Republicans in the longer term.

‘I’ve Begun to Look at Republicans’

However, JaQuan Taylor, a senior at Georgia Tech, is a Democrat and president of the college group that advocates allowing students and faculty to carry concealed firearms while on campus. Taylor, who is black, said he doesn’t plan on switching parties, but he is more open now.

“It’s more challenging for me to pick a politician that wants to take away guns or prohibit them in anyway,” Taylor, 22, told The Daily Signal in a phone interview. “I vote for the person more than the party, but I usually vote Democrat because they are pro-education. Since I’ve gotten a gun, I’ve begun to look at Republicans.”

Taylor said he joined a

marksmanship club at Georgia Tech and then “became comfortable with getting a gun to protect myself.”

He said he believes as more African-Americans learn about gun laws, more are buying for self-defense.

“It doesn’t see the gun issue as a left-right matter, but more of an issue of freedom, Taylor said.

“It seems like with the push for gay marriage, there is a push for freedom in all directions. That’s a good thing,” he said.

The data on women and minorities should come as no surprise, said Crime Prevention Research Center President John Lott, a noted economist and author of the recent book, “The War on Guns.”

“Women benefit more from having a gun than a man because of the large strength differential between a male-to-woman attacker compared to [a] male-to-male attacker,” Lott, the author of the August study, told The Daily Signal.

Everytown for Gun Safety, a gun control group founded by former New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg, questions the research but said any increase in recent ownership is driven by fear.

“The rate of American gun ownership has been in serious decline over the last 40 years, so it’s not surprising that gun manufacturers are desperately seeking to tap into new markets and that they’re using the politics of fear to drive new sales,” Everytown for Gun Safety spokesman Andrei Berman told The Daily Signal in an email.

‘Self-Defense and Firearms Were Demonized’

Lynne Roberts, the Massachusetts state coordinator for the pro-gun Second Amendment Sisters, said classes at a Braintree, Massachusetts, shooting range went from about five women per month a decade ago to 35 in the past year.

“We have to tell them to call before so we’ll have enough instructors,” Roberts told The Daily Signal. “Now we have to limit it to 26, and it always fills.”

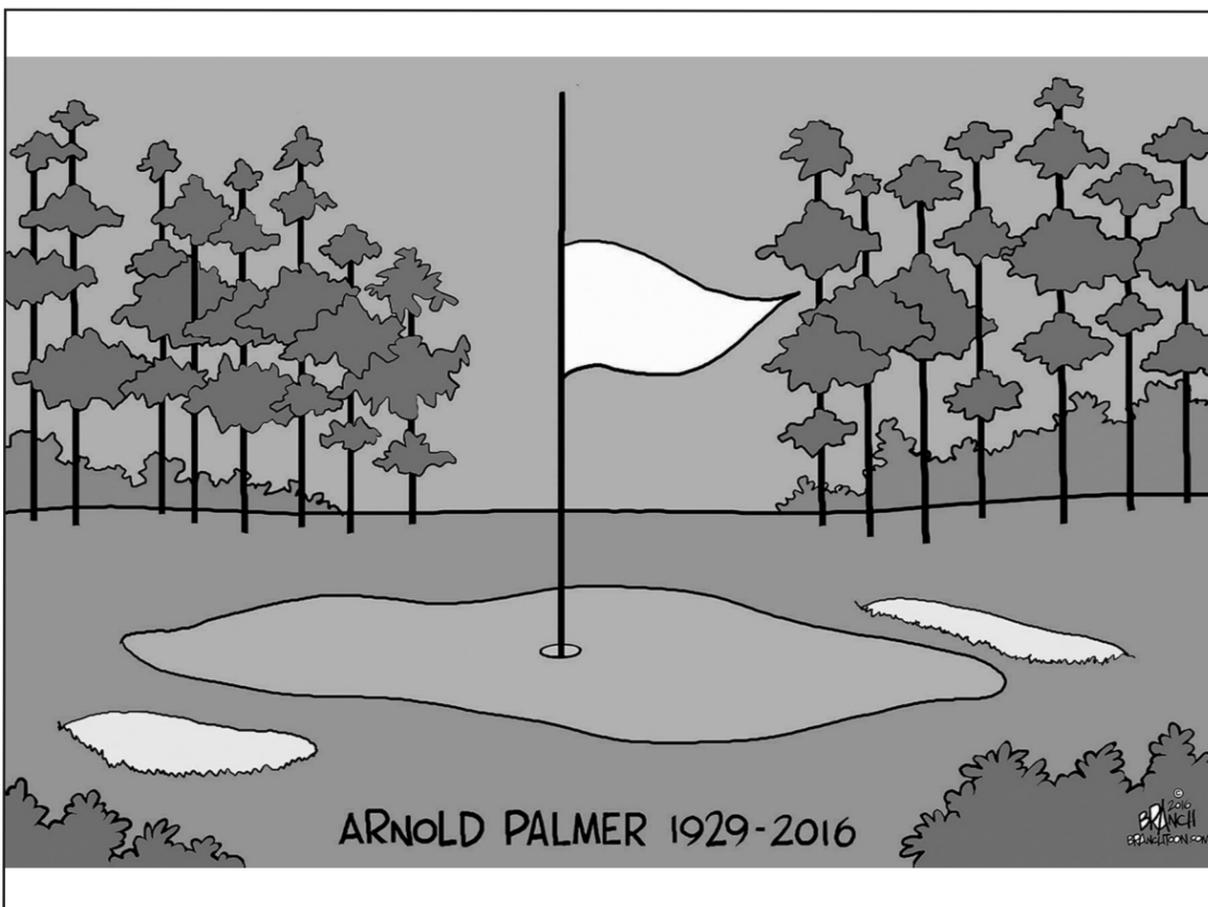
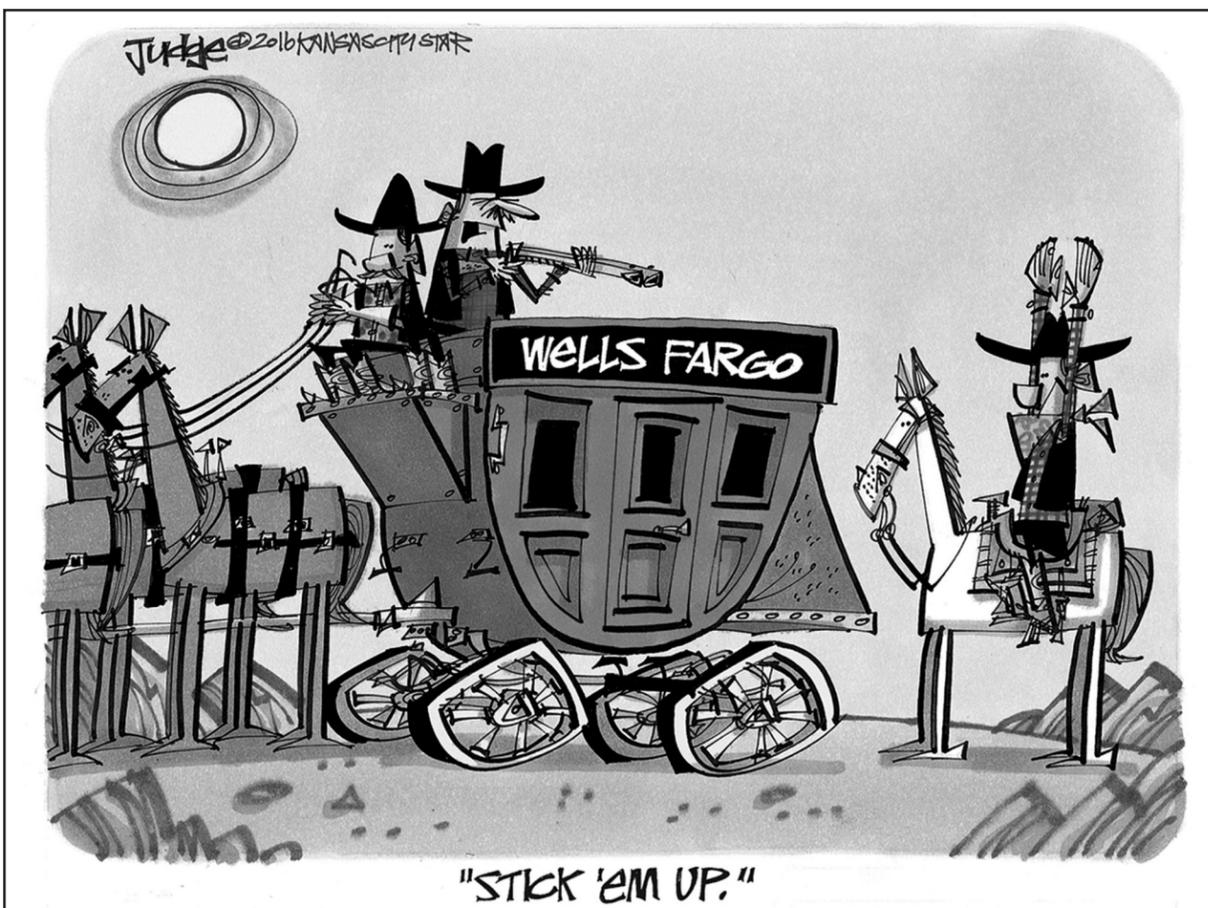
She added that in recent years, an increasingly diverse group of women has sought to learn about guns for the first time. They include single mothers and married women, from 22 to 82, in occupations such as nurses, small-business owners, social workers, accountants, and lawyers. They travel from Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Hampshire, and Maine, as well as other parts of Massachusetts.

Roberts also sees a potential political shift.

“Women are voting typically on the Democratic side because over the last two or three generations self-defense and firearms were demonized,” she said. “Women were told they can’t take care of themselves. That’s changing.”

Responsible gun ownership does not represent a political shift, said Brendan Kelly, spokesman for the Brady Campaign and Center to Prevent Gun Violence, a gun control group.

“Owning a gun and supporting sensible laws that keep guns out of the hands of dangerous people are not mutually exclusive,” Kelly said.



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Commission Comments

Wilson's Comments:

Tuesday morning I attended the Coordinated Transit District meeting of transit providers from a seven county region who are working together to coordinate services. In the near future a Coordinated Transit Council will be created as a parallel committee of elected officials from the counties that fund the CTD.

That afternoon I met with a constituent at her property to discuss storm water drainage issues and related complaints.

Afterwards I attended the Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting, where we heard a presentation on Medicaid expansion and discussed the inter-region visit.

Wednesday I attended the Flint Hills Regional Transit Administration board meeting. In the meeting we authorized a call for proposals for transit security projects, since federal regulations require that one percent of funds allocated to the RTA must be spent on transit-related security projects. The call for proposals will be sent to all the governmental entities included in the Manhattan Urbanized Area to see if they have any suggested transit security projects to fund.

Boyd's Comments: Monday 09.19.16

-Chaired the Riley County Law Enforcement Agency Board meeting at Manhattan City Commission room. The Board honored outstanding achievements of Law Enforce-

ment personnel and heard from a citizen in public comment. The Board also covered in detail the recent audit of RCPD financial data and the progress of self funding worker's compensation.

-Riley County citizens have expressed concerns with the number of police and minority community encounters which end in gun fire occurring across our nation. Citizens question if their police will become a national headline and what is being done to address the issue locally. While training, discussion, policies and leadership cannot guarantee performance, it will reduce the chances of such occurring.

Furthermore, human relation and race relation training is vital to public safety and the right course to pursue. RCPD is a leader in our state in addressing this issue with the adoption of training in recognition of biased policing from national leaders in the field. This training began with our police and community leaders and now extends throughout the police department. Such efforts will continue and expand as we work to provide the citizens of Riley County a safe community to live, work and prosper. The RCPD is embarking upon a new effort for community engagement to ascertain what policing functions are the priority for our citizens. So citizens, be involved, it is your RCPD.

We community and RCPD leaders lament the fatal incidents which have occurred across our nation and have pursued a course, which continues, to educate and instill in our police and community leaders an effective tolerance for our fellow human beings.

-Met with local business owner and discussed growing business. Tuesday 09.20.16

-Met with local business

leader and discussed local issues.

-Worked in county offices on correspondence.

-Attended the aTa Bus Executive Board meeting at the aTa facilities. The Junction City fixed route system is flourishing after a few weeks of operation.

Wednesday 09.21.16

-Met with engineering business and discussed airports and UAS.

-Worked in county offices on preparation and correspondence.

Wells' Comments:

Wells stated he attended the Law Board Meeting.

Wells said on Wednesday he attended the North Central Juvenile Detention Facility Board meeting in Marion County.

Wells reported the Keats Parade is Sunday at 4:00 p.m.

Business Meeting

Highway Use Permit, Westar Energy

Move to approve the Highway Use Permit to grant permission to Westar Energy to install a new pole on the west side of Condray Road. Address is 9729 Condray Road, Manhattan, Kansas. Westar will install 100' overhead secondary to be maintained at a minimum height of 18' over roadway.

ADOPTED[UNANIMOUS] County Commissioner Boyd, Wells, Wilson

Parallel Road Bridge Replacement Project- Contract

Move to sign and approve the contract with Reece Construction Co., Inc. for the Parallel Road bridge replacement project in the amount of \$178,409.30.

ADOPTED[UNANIMOUS] County Commissioner Boyd, Wells, Wilson

Auction of Surplus Property

Approve and sign Notice of Intent to Sell Excess Personal Property and authorize staff to proceed with current Ruckert Realty & Auction, LLC contract to conduct a public auction to sell county surplus property as per attached list in accordance with the County Resolution #011107-03.

ADOPTED[UNANIMOUS] County Commissioner Boyd, Wells, Wilson

Sign Riley County Personnel Action Form(s)

The Board of County Commissioners signed a Riley County Personnel Action Form for Timothy Norman, a Seasonal Laborer, in the Public Works Department, for Separation from County Service, effective September 13, 2016.

Shared Leave Donation Form(s)

Move to approve the Shared Leave Donation Form.

ADOPTED[UNANIMOUS] County Commissioner Boyd, Wells, Wilson

Review Minutes

Board of Riley County Commissioners - Regular

Meeting - Sep 19, 2016 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, Wilson

9. Tentative Agenda

Press Conference Topics Discuss Press Conference

Surplus Property Auction- Leon Hobson

9:15 AM

Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services

11. Administrative Work Session

Holeman stated he has visited with Barry Michie about scheduling time on the agenda on October 13th to discuss the Genealogical Society lease.

12. Approval of RCPD Workers Compensation Self-Insurance Documents

Holeman presented the RCPD Workers Compensation self-insurance agreement documents.

Boyd thanked staff for their work on the RCPD Workers Compensation self-insurance agreements.

Move that the Board approve the documents as presented and authorize the Chairman to sign, including "Resolution No. 092216-37, A Resolution authorizing the designation of funds and the approval of agreements for Riley County to enable the Riley County Law Enforcement Agency/Riley County Police Department to become a self-funded worker's compensation program."

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Robert Boyd, County Commissioner SECONDER: Ronald Wells, County Commissioner AYES: Boyd, Wells, Wilson

9:35 AM

Daniel Perez, Family Connections Supervisor

Move to recess as the Board of County Commissioners and convene as the Board of Health.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Robert Boyd, County Commissioner SECONDER:Ronald Wells, County Commissioner AYES: Boyd, Wells, Wilson

13. Out of state travel request for Daniel Perez to attend the Healthy Babies are Worth the Wait conference

Perez presented the out of state travel request.

Move to approve the Out of State Travel Request for Daniel Perez to attend the Healthy Babies are Worth the Wait Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Robert Boyd, County Commissioner SECONDER:Ronald Wells,

County Commissioner AYES: Boyd, Wells, Wilson

Move to recess as the Board of Health and reconvene as the Board of County Commissioners.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Robert Boyd, County Commissioner SECONDER:Ronald Wells, County Commissioner AYES: Boyd, Wells, Wilson

9:45 AM

Pat Collins, Emergency Management Director

14. Staff Update and Corps of Engineers lease

P. Collins discussed the lease with the Corps of Engineers for the Tuttle Creek Fire Station.

Move to approve the lease for the Corps of Engineer's property that the Tuttle Creek Fire station sits on.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Robert Boyd, County Commissioner SECONDER:Ronald Wells, County Commissioner AYES: Boyd, Wells, Wilson

P. Collins presented the Emergency Management staff report.

10:00 AM

Jane Freyenberger, WIC Supervisor

Move to recess as the Board of County Commissioners and convene as the Board of Health.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Robert Boyd, County Commissioner SECONDER: Ronald Wells, County Commissioner AYES: Boyd, Wells, Wilson

15. Out of State Travel Request to attend Certified Lactation Educator Course

Freyenberger presented the Out of State Travel Request.

Move to approve the Out of State Request for Kaylyn Speth in the Health Department to attend the Certified Lactation Counselor training course and receive certification in Sioux City, Iowa.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Robert Boyd, County Commissioner SECONDER: Ronald Wells, County Commissioner AYES: Boyd, Wells, Wilson

Move to recess as the Board of Health and reconvene as the Board of County Commissioners.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Robert Boyd,

See Minutes page 7

General Election Will Be November 8, 2016



After voting to put in a Riley County Building Commission, Riley County Commissioner Bob Boyd (right) was defeated in the Primary Election. Ron Wells (left) is up for re-election November 8th.

What Did He Say?

After resending the Riley County Building Commission in a vote on August 18, 2016 the County Commission Minutes showed this:

(Wilson stated he believes the PBC needs more accountability measures. Wilson stated in the future if there is a need for facilities the Board could go to the legislature and ask for more bonding authority.)

"Wells stated if there is an instance when a piece of property the County wants becomes available it takes too long to have an election to purchase the property. Wells said there are 37 PBC's in the State of Kansas. Wells stated those who have opposed our PBC have only been able to tell him of one instance in one community where it did not work well. Wells said Topeka would not have been able to construct a new Kansas Bureau of Investigation facility if they did not have the PBC."

Sounds like they will have another vote on a Building Commission after the November 8th Election, doesn't it.

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Commission Minutes

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County Commissioner
SECONDER: Ronald Wells,
County Commissioner
AYES: Boyd, Wells, Wilson

10:15 AM

Leon Hobson, Public Works
Director/County Engineer
**16. LEC Parking Lot
Improvements**

Hobson presented the contract for the LEC parking lot improvements. Hobson said the Police Department has identified the main areas of concern being the main parking lot and the storage garage. They feel the rear lot can be addressed at a later date. Based on their recommendation, staff recommends the Commission approve the milling and overlay of the main lot and the milling and overlay in front of the shop for a total cost of \$62,854. Further, the monies to fund the project be split equally from the Building Fund and the PD Fund.

Move to approve items 1 and 3 of the proposal dated August 29, 2016 from Shilling Construction in the amount of \$62,854 with the funds being split equally between the Building Fund and the PD Fund with Building Fund monies being transferred to the PD Fund.

RESULT: ADOPTED
[UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Robert Boyd,
County Commissioner
SECONDER: Ronald Wells,
County Commissioner
AYES: Boyd, Wells, Wilson

**17. Health Department
Parking**
Hobson discussed the Health

Department parking along Wharton Manor Road and Charles Little Road.

Hobson said the Health Director and Public Works staff believe the best solution to the parking issues is to prohibit parking. In some places this could be on one side of the road while in others both sides of the road are appropriate.

Therefore, Jennifer and I recommend no public parking be allowed on the east side of Wharton Manor Road between Claflin Road and Tecumseh Road except in those areas designated for parking.

Further, we recommend no public parking be allowed on the west side of Wharton Manor Road from Stone Post Road to Tecumseh Road.

In addition, we recommend no public parking be allowed on the west side of Charles Little Road from the approved parking south to Tecumseh Road.

The Board agreed by consensus to prohibit parking along Wharton Manor Road and Charles Little Road as recommended.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Robert Boyd,
County Commissioner
SECONDER: Ronald Wells,
County Commissioner
AYES: Boyd, Wells, Wilson

10:45 AM

Dave Fiser18. Friends of
Peace Memorial

Fiser thanked the Board for allowing him to present his request. Fiser said the Friends of the Peace Memorial have raised over \$320,000 for the Memorial Auditorium.

Dzewaltowski discussed the history and establishment of the Peace Memorial as a Riley County Memorial. Dzewaltowski read a list of Riley County residents who served during World War II.

Poresky reported over \$172,000 of the funds pledged have been received. Poresky stated she was Riley County employee in the Historical Museum for 30 years.

Fiser stated the City of Manhattan has been very helpful in provided funding as well.

Borst said Peace Memorial Auditorium now has a new sign out front. Borst invited the Board to attend the 1 year anniversary of the project on Sunday at 2:30 p.m. And asked one of the Board members to assist in the unveiling of the monument.

Wilson stated he will attend the event.

Fiser reported Jim Sharp who is a veteran of World War II was going to attend today has been very involved in the Peace Memorial.

Fiser stated the initial request was for \$30,000 for the Friends of the Peace Memorial.

Wells asked, what was the City of Manhattan's contribution?

Fiser stated over \$100,000 for the electrical and air conditioning of the facility.

Wells discussed the current financial constraints of the State and how it will get shifted to the

County. Wells stated he would like to contribute

the \$30,000 from the economic development fund since they cannot commit a future County Commission.

Fiser said the City contributed \$37,450 for the stage and another \$60,000 for additional improvements to the stage and furnishings.

Fiser emphasized this is a one time request for a wonderful project for all the wonderful people of Riley County.

Wilson said it is a great project and wants to honor all our veterans. Wilson stated he does not feel we can afford it at this time in respect to our county employees and outside agency request, which were not fully funded.

Boyd stated he kind of agrees with both of the other Board members requirements. Boyd stated he does not feel we have the funds available in 2016. Boyd stated sales tax has not come in like it did last year.

Boyd stated he feels an amount could be allocated next year and a budget request in 2018. Boyd asked if the commissioners would entertain reducing the commissioners' salaries \$10,000 - \$15,000 for the next year.

Wilson stated he would consider reducing the commissioners' salaries.

Wells said the budget has been established so the mill levy would not be increased.

Fiser stated he appreciates the Board's consideration.

Boyd suggested that Fiser

request funding during the 2018 budget.

Wells moved to allocate \$30,000 to the Friends of the Peace Memorial from the 2017 Economic Development Fund. Motion died for the lack of a second.

Wilson stated he would rather leave the funding in place for what it was intended.

Move to fund \$15,000 to the Friends of the Peace Memorial from the 2017 Economic Development Fund.

RESULT: MOVER: SECONDER:
AYES: NAYS:
ADOPTED [2 TO 1]
Ronald Wells, County Commissioner Robert Boyd, County Commissioner Boyd, Wells Wilson

11:45 AM Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

RESULT: ADOPTED
[UNANIMOUS]
County Commissioner Boyd, Wells, Wilson

After Zika, critical to monitor babies' health but how long?

WASHINGTON (AP) — More federal money finally is available to fight Zika even as the news worsens. Babies who at first seem to have escaped the virus' devastating hallmark defect — an abnormally small head at birth — might not be out of the woods after all.

Brazilian doctors have counted a small number of babies who at birth had a normal-sized head and only later were found to have problems. They have delayed neurodevelopment. At 5 months, one could use one hand but not the other. Later on, some even developed that defect, called microcephaly. The brain and skull weren't growing properly after birth, instead of before.

"Microcephaly is only the tip of the iceberg, only the thing we see when the baby is born," Dr. Vanessa Van der Linden, a pediatric neurologist in Recife, Brazil, told a meeting at the National Institutes of Health where she outlined a long list of Zika-related abnormalities.

To children's health experts, the message is clear. Intense study is needed of babies born to Zika-infected mothers to learn the range of health problems they may face.

"It is just critical to evaluate

the entire child. Even in the child who does not have microcephaly, that doesn't mean no evaluation is needed," said Dr. Catherine Spong of the NIH's National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, which despite budget constraints has begun research to better understand the risk to babies.

After months of partisan bickering, Congress last week passed a budget bill that includes \$1.1 billion to address the Zika crisis. It's just over half the total emergency money that President Barack Obama requested last February.

While mosquito season is winding down in parts of this country, Zika's threat here and abroad is not diminishing, and that's why health officials say a sustained commitment is vital.

There are more than 2,200 pregnant women among the 25,600-plus Zika cases that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention counts in U.S. states and territories, mainly Puerto Rico. The vast majority of mainland infections are travel-related, but mosquitoes have been spreading Zika in Florida's Miami-Dade County.

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The Manhattan Indian Mascot

Is not "harmful, hateful, demeaning, cruel or racist."

The Manhattan High School Indian mascot was selected to honor Coach Fran Prentup, a well respected football coach from years ago.

The Manhattan High School Board will take up changing the mascot again this fall.

Here is what the Free Press said about the School Board in an Editorial on May 12, 2016:

"Do you remember the cartoon that showed a "Boneless Chicken Farm". No chickens were running around, they were all flat on the ground, No Bones.

Well, that cartoon reminds us of the Manhattan School Board. In February the Board took up finding a new mascot for the school.

Someone said they were offended by the mascot. Offended! By a mascot?

These are very sensitive people. Or are they part of a group that does not like America and they want to change everything. Are they a part of a group that call you names so that they are in control?

The fact that the image was designed by a Native American to honor a former coach that was a Native American at the school has no bearing on how some people choose to see the mascot."

Now after dropping the idea, in February, the Board will take it up again. Tell the Board that they have more important issues than changing a mascot that honors indians, not demeaning to indians.



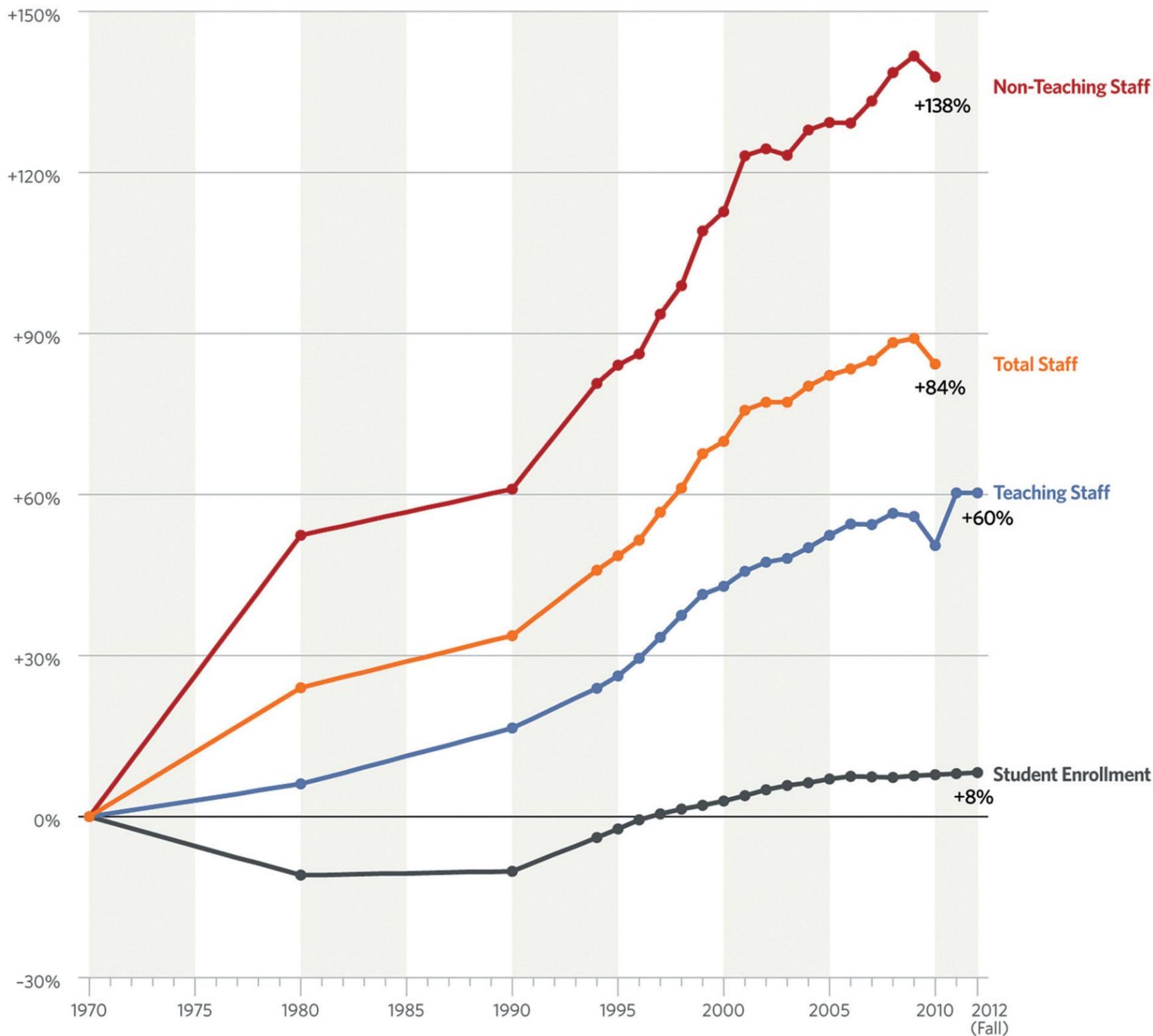
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CHART 1

Growth in Education Staffing Has Far Outpaced Student Enrollment

Since 1970, total student enrollment in public schools increased by 3.7 million, or 8 percent. However, during that same period, total education staffing rose by 2.8 million, or 84 percent. Most notable was the growth in non-teaching staff which increased by 138 percent.

PERCENTAGE CHANGE SINCE 1970



Notes: Some figures have been interpolated. Figures for teachers and student enrollment for 2011 and Fall 2012 are projected.

Sources: National Center for Education Statistics, Digest of Education Statistics, "Staff employed in public elementary and secondary school systems, by functional area: Selected years, 1949-50 through fall 2009," Table 85, http://nces.ed.gov/programs/digest/d11/tables/dt11_085.asp (accessed August 30, 2012); Digest of Education Statistics 2011, June 2012, <http://nces.ed.gov/pubs2012/2012001.pdf> (accessed August 30, 2012); and National Center for Education Statistics, "The Condition of Education 2012," May 2012, <http://nces.ed.gov/pubs2012/2012045.pdf> (accessed August 30, 2012).

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Supreme Court Should Dismiss Gannon for Lack of Rose Measurement and False Spending Premise

Kansas Policy Institute

In 2014, in *Gannon v. State of Kansas*, the Kansas Supreme Court determined that the adequacy of the state's education finance system is met when students meet or exceed the Rose standards. The Court is now ready to hear arguments as to the adequacy of school funding.

Pursuant to the arguments, the attorneys for the plaintiffs in *Gannon* have filed a legal brief

contending that the funding mechanism is inadequate. They claim low assessment scores provide evidence that Rose standards have not been met and, therefore, more money should be spent on K-12 public education.

However, there are two central issues that place the Court in no position to determine that the finance system is inadequate and order an increase in

K-12 funding.

The Rose standards, which are to be the basis for determining an adequate education financing system as stipulated in the 2014 Supreme Court *Gannon* decision, have neither been designed nor measured.

The State Board of Education, which is both constitutionally and statutorily charged with the "general supervision" of public schools – including

setting standards – has failed to make provisions for either designing or measuring the Rose standards.

Instead, there is evidence that the State Board has ceded the lead on Rose standards to the Kansas Association of School Boards, a non-statutory body.

The arguments by the plaintiffs' attorneys that a) low assessment scores prove Rose standards have not been met,

and b) those scores are a function of inadequate funding and should be disregarded.

The plaintiffs' attorneys have no authority to determine whether Rose standards have been met.

The claim that an increase in spending will lead to an increase in student performance is fundamentally flawed. Ample evidence provided herein at both the state and national levels indisputably

demonstrates that virtually no correlation exists between an increase in education spending and an increase in student outcomes, let alone a causal relationship between the two.

Given these realities, it is impossible for the Supreme Court to determine whether the state's school finance system is, in their words, "reasonably calculated" to determine whether Rose standards are being met.

Oklahoma fresh start in Big 12, wins 52-46 at No. 21 TCU

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Baker Mayfield and Oklahoma took advantage of their fresh start in Big 12 play, even with a far-from-perfect effort.

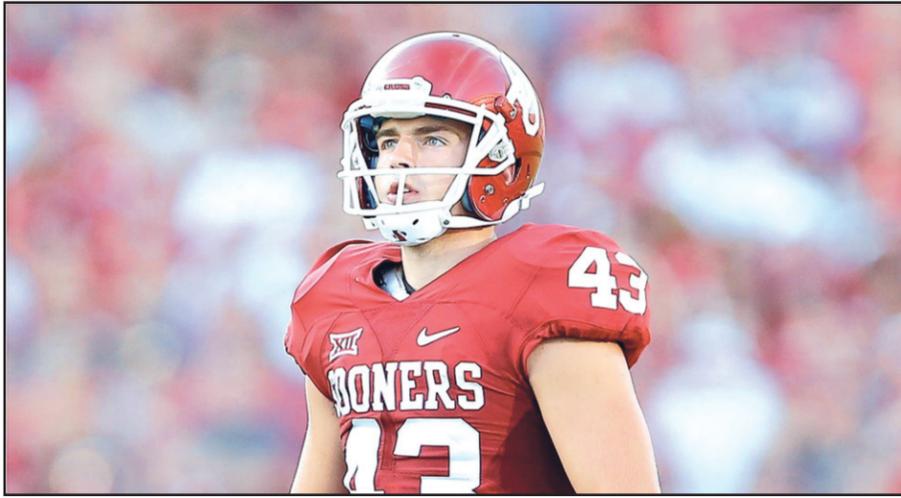
Mayfield made up for two lost fumbles with four touchdowns, running for two and throwing two long ones to Dede Westbrook, and the Sooners held on to win their conference opener, 52-46 at 21st-ranked TCU on Saturday.

"To come into a road environment like that and battle back, and kind of take over the game, just completely take momentum, it's good to see," Mayfield said. "The biggest thing is not stalling out in the second half."

After giving up 21 points in the first quarter for the first time in 20 years, the Sooners (2-2) went ahead to stay with 28 consecutive points in the second quarter.

"This team has fight and character, and we need to again do some fundamental things better," coach Bob Stoops said. "But I believe as we go through, we'll keep getting better from it."

Westbrook was wide open on a flea flicker for a 67-yarder that put Oklahoma up 28-21, and Mayfield then hit in him stride again for a 40-yard score.



Oklahoma punter Austin Seibert was named the Big 12 Special Teams Player of the Week for his performance in the game. (OU Sports Information)

"That's Baker for you," said Westbrook, smiling.

The Sooners outscored TCU 42-3 over the second and third quarters to build a 25-point lead before the Frogs (3-2, 1-1) scored on three consecutive drives in the fourth quarter — including TD passes of 64 and 74 yards from Kenny Hill to Taj Williams.

"Well, I like the way we fought back. What I wasn't happy with was we did it when they let down," TCU coach Gary Patterson said. "Offen-

sively after 21 points, we didn't play for two quarters."

Mayfield was facing TCU for the first time since saying before the Orange Bowl last year that TCU was the team that disappointed him the most in recruiting, and claiming the Horned Frogs "kind of drug it out" without offering a scholarship while he turned down other offers.

Patterson and Mayfield both insisted this week all that was in the past, with Mayfield even saying things were blown out of

proportion. But when they were the same field, the Oklahoma junior quarterback was 23-of-30 passing for 274 yards, and ran 12 times for 55 yards.

When asked what the game meant to him personally, Mayfield responded that it was huge to start conference play with a win.

"Everybody was saying our season was over, but to start the conference off 1-0 against one of the better teams in the conference, especially on the road, it's going to be a confidence

booster for us," he said. "Personally, just moving forward, it's great to see the offense have some success and realize our full potential."

TAKEAWAYS

Oklahoma: While the Sooners' chances of a return to the College Football Playoff most likely ended after those two September losses (to No. 2 Ohio State and No. 6 Houston), they're off to a good start in pursuit of a 10th Big 12 title. Oklahoma hasn't lost consecutive regular-season games since 1999, in Stoops' first season.

TCU: Those defensive woes for the Frogs clearly aren't settled. While not allowing a touchdown against SMU a week ago, Patterson's squad allowed more than 40 points for the third time this season.

RUNNING SOONERS

The Sooners had a 49-24 lead after Samaje Perine's second TD run, a 1-yarder late in the third quarter. Perine, who finished with 98 yards on 17 carries yards, had an 8-yard TD in the second quarter when he reached the ball over the goal line while on top of TCU linebacker Sammy Douglas and 340-pound left tackle Orlando Brown. Joe Mixon had 16 carries for 105 yards, and also caught five passes for 70 yards.

BIG-PLAY FROGS

Kenny Hill completed 26 of 44 passes for 449 yards and five touchdowns for TCU, including scoring strikes of 64 and 74 yards to Taj Williams in the fourth quarter, the later ending a stretch of 22 consecutive points for the Frogs that got them to 49-46. Williams finished with five catches for 210 yards.

POLL IMPLICATIONS

Oklahoma: The Sooners have already been ranked as a two-loss team, so there's a good chance they get back in the poll this week after the impressive comeback. They were second in others receiving votes a week ago, having fallen out after an open date.

TCU: Already in and out of the Top 25 in the first month of the season, the Frogs could fall out again after climbing back in last week.

UP NEXT

Oklahoma: Coach Bob Stoops' team will be about 40 miles east in Dallas next Saturday for the annual Red River rivalry game against Texas at the State Fair of Texas.

TCU: The Horned Frogs head to Kansas next weekend, the first of consecutive road games before an open date.

Rudolph has 3 TD passes, Oklahoma St tops No. 22 Texas 49-31

STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — Mason Rudolph passed for 392 yards and three touchdowns to help Oklahoma State beat No. 22 Texas 49-31 on Saturday.

Justice Hill rushed for 135 yards and a touchdown and Jalen McCleskey added 109 yards and two touchdowns receiving for the Cowboys (3-2, 1-1 Big 12), who had lost their previous eight home games against the Longhorns (2-2, 0-1).

"We needed to change the tune, change the trend," Oklahoma State coach Mike Gundy said. "I had mentioned to the

juniors and seniors that have accomplished a lot here together, 'You need to be the group that stops this.' So I think they took a little pride in that."

Oklahoma State blocked three extra points in the first half, matching a school record for blocked kicks in a game. On the first one, defensive tackle Vincent Taylor came up the middle for the block, picked up the ball and ran with it before delivering a perfect option-style pitch to Tre Flowers in stride. Flowers took it into the end zone for two points and, instead of a 14-all tie, Oklahoma State

led 16-13.

"With Vince lateraling the ball, that's something that we practice," Gundy said. "You only hope that when you get in that situation, you can execute it."

Rudolph passed for 310 yards and three scores and ran for a touchdown in the first half to help the Cowboys take a 37-25 lead.

Oklahoma State receiver James Washington was knocked out of the game in the third quarter after taking a hit to the head from Texas linebacker Malcolm Roach. Washington

had three catches for 91 yards and a touchdown for the Cowboys. Gundy said after the game that Washington was fine and that keeping him out was a precaution.

Texas' running backs took a beating. Chris Warren III missed the second half with a knee injury. He ran for 106 yards on 10 carries in the first half. D'Onta Foreman left the game in the third quarter with an abdominal injury after rumbling for 148 yards and two touchdowns.

THE TAKEAWAY

TEXAS: The Longhorns,

who gave up 47 points to Notre Dame and 50 to California, had an extra week to prepare for the Cowboys. It didn't matter, as the Cowboys rolled up 555 yards.

OKLAHOMA STATE: The Cowboys bounced back from their loss to Baylor and now are in position to be a factor in the Big 12 race. Gundy said the team practiced well all week and had a good attitude.

"I'm not surprised that they played as well as they did," he said.

POLL IMPLICATIONS

Texas likely will drop out of the Top 25. Oklahoma State has an outside chance of getting back in, but the controversial loss to Central Michigan could prove costly here.

UP NEXT

TEXAS: The Longhorns play Oklahoma in Dallas on Saturday.

OKLAHOMA STATE: The Cowboys will host Iowa State on Saturday.

No. 13 Baylor rallies to top Iowa State 45-42

AMES, Iowa (AP) — Baylor's defense, lauded as one of the nation's best, looked lost as Iowa State scored touchdown after touchdown.

But the Bears did what they do best — stuff teams late — and escaped from Ames with a surprisingly close win.

Chris Callahan hit a 19-yard field goal as time expired and No. 13 Baylor rallied from 14 down in the fourth quarter to beat Iowa State 45-42 on Saturday.

Shock Linwood rushed for 237 yards for the Bears, who have yet to allow a point in the fourth this season.

Baylor (5-0, 2-0), playing without star wide receiver KD Cannon because of a groin in-

jury, trailed 42-28 before using scoring drives of 86 and 84 yards to tie it up.

Baylor's defense finally stiffened in the fourth quarter and Seth Russell — who was 12 of 22 passing for 178 yards — drove Baylor 83 yards to set up Callahan's chip shot.

"Credit to Iowa State. They punched us in the mouth several times. We were speaking on the sidelines (saying) 'this is still our game. We're still going to fight.' And we did," Russell said.

Joel Lanning threw for 261 yards and two touchdowns for Iowa State (1-4, 0-2). Mike Warren added a season-high 130 yards rushing for the Cyclones, who scored touchdowns

on their first six full possessions but were shut out after that.

"I don't know what changed," Iowa State coach Matt Campbell said. "I just think a couple of guys had chances to make plays and just didn't make them."

THE TAKEAWAY

Baylor: Yes, the Bears won. But concerns that Baylor's tumultuous offseason would eventually catch up to the program will only deepen after its first league road game. Its defense looked lost for 45 minutes, and the passing game was subpar without Cannon. The Bears should get credit, though, for making the plays it needed to make in the fourth quarter.

Iowa State: The Cyclones,

who looked good in beating San Jose State by 34 points, were the better team for three quarters. But Iowa State's disturbing habit of collapsing in the fourth was apparent yet again. The Cyclones had eight yards on six plays in the final 15 minutes. "Our defense stepped up big," Russell said.

PIVOTAL MOMENTS

Iowa State didn't punt until the late in the third quarter. But Baylor's defense, which held its opponents to 13.5 points per game in September, forced a pair of three-and-outs. The Bears turned those stops into the final 10 points of the game.

NO QB SHUFFLE

The Cyclones had rotated Lanning with backup Jacob

Park the last few games. But Lanning was so good early on that Park never left the bench. He finished with arguably his best game for the Cyclones — a positive sign for a program focused more on progress than anything else in 2016. "Joel got into a good rhythm and (I) just didn't feel like it was fair to pull him," Campbell said.

POLL IMPLICATIONS

A three-point road victory over an Iowa State team that lost to Iowa and TCU by an average of 30 points likely won't impress too many voters.

HE SAID IT

"That's the Shock Linwood everyone told me about," Baylor interim coach Jim Grobe said. Linwood had just two car-

ries for four yards last week.

UP NEXT

Baylor: The Bears, after a bye week, host Kansas on Oct. 15 in what could be one of the most lopsided matchups in the history of the Big 12. Baylor was a 46-point road favorite against the Jayhawks last year and covered with room to spare, beating Kansas 66-7 despite playing its backups for much of the second half.

Iowa State: The Cyclones travel to face Oklahoma State in the second game of a brutal stretch. Iowa State plays at Texas the following week and, after a bye, hosts Kansas State and Oklahoma.

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Once-massive fruit plantation in Kansas is up for sale

HUTCHINSON, Kan. (AP) — A former central Kansas plantation that was once the largest shipping point for fruit between the Missouri River and California is scheduled to be auctioned off.

The 130-acre Yaggy Plantation, which today is mostly grassland and irrigated cropland near Nickerson, will be auctioned off at the Cosmosphere in Hutchinson Oct. 5. The land once grew up to 50,000 apple trees and a million catalpa trees, which were used for fence posts and railroad ties, The Hutchinson News reported

(http://bit.ly/2dkzpfG). It employed up to 300 people the during harvest season. The descendants of the plantation's founder, Levi Walter Yaggy, are selling about 1,260 acres, which will be offered in five tracts and combinations.

Christopher Krantz and his two siblings, Chandler and Eric, whose grandparents once lived on the acreage, now live out of state.

"As much as we love this magnificent property, it is hard to see how we can continue to make the time to enjoy and take care of it while adhering to the

same high standards that ancestors held," Christopher Krantz said.

The family's connection to the land began in 1884, when Levi Yaggy, a well-known publisher in the U.S., bought a 1,350-acre ranch and planted the catalpa and apple trees. In those years, timber was in strong demand for rail lines and fencing and Yaggy provided a reliable and renewable timber source.

The catalpa grew six years before it was ready to harvest, but the tree would regrow after its first cutting, Christopher

Krantz said.

Levi Yaggy's son, Edward, guided the plantation into the national produce market and a nearby town, also called Yaggy, became the largest shipping point for fruit between the Missouri River and California, the News reported.

In the 1930s, drought took out most of the trees and the family didn't replant them, instead turning the land into a cattle ranch and wheat production. Two plantation homes remain on the property. It also includes Conservation Reserve Program acreage along the Arkansas

River, which provides habitat for a variety of wildlife.

The property also has three irrigation pivots with approved permits to install two more.

Christopher Krantz recalled visiting his grandparents, cousins and friends at the plantation every year. He said he

and his siblings value the legacy of their ancestors.

"We all have fond memories - hunting deer sheds, exploring the river and learning how to shoot and commiserating on how hard Prairie Dunes really is," he said. "And having to share that with our own chil-



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What Top Senators Want to Know About Obama's Push to OK New Citizens to Vote

Heritage Foundation

The branch manager for the Houston office of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services seemed clear about the reason and timing for asking staff to work overtime to push through more citizenship applications.

"The field office due to the election year needs to process as many of their N-400 cases as possible between now and FY 2016," the manager said in an email to staff dated July 21, 2016, and referring to applications for citizenship called N-400 forms.

The email message from the Citizenship and Immigration Services supervisor offered overtime, including weekends, as an incentive to process more applications:

If you have cases in this category or other pending, you are encouraged to take advantage of the OT if you can. This will be an opportunity to move your pending naturalization cases. If you have not volunteered for OT, please consider and let me know if you are interested.

In Congress, Republican lawmakers are concerned this is a rerun from 20 years ago. In 1996, congressional Republicans accused the Clinton administration of rushing through the citizenship process to register new voters, many likely to vote Democrat, as part of a program called Citizenship USA.

The manager's email to Citizenship and Immigration Services employees was made public by the offices of Senate Judiciary Chairman Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, and Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Chairman Ron Johnson, R-Wis.

Such an apparent rush to citizenship is a particular concern to the senators because of a report from the Department of Homeland Security's inspector general that found

Citizenship and Immigration Services granted citizenship to almost 900 individuals with deportation orders who used false names.

Politics has nothing to do with increased processing of citizenship applications, according to Obama administration officials.

"USCIS's goal is to process applications for naturalization within five to seven months, regardless of external events such as elections," Department of Homeland Security spokesman Shin Inouye told The Daily Signal in an email, referring to Citizenship and Immigration Services. Inouye added:

USCIS uses statistical forecasting models to plan for the potential increased volume of work. USCIS anticipated that there would be a spike in applications this year, as we usually see in an election year, but the increase in N-400 applications has exceeded expectations.

The agency "certainly encourages our naturalized citizens to be active participants in our democracy," Inouye said. "However, like other citizens, no new U.S. citizen is required to register to vote, or participate in any election."

More evidence is needed than a single email, but the matter warrants investigation, said Mark Krikorian, executive director of the Center for Immigration Study, which advocates strong enforcement of immigration law.

"If you look at the whole country, these are not many votes," Krikorian told The Daily Signal in a phone interview. "But a few thousand can make a lot of difference." He said:

[George W.] Bush won Florida with 500 votes [in 2000]. Al Franken won his Minnesota Senate seat by just a

few hundred votes. If it's close, a really small number of improper voters can make a big difference. Apart from that, there is the principle that there should be higher standards for citizenship.

The two Senate committee chairmen sent a letter Sept. 21 to Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson to inquire about what appeared to be a rush. Grassley and Johnson write:

We write to express serious concern about an apparent push by your department to rush the adjudication of naturalization applications before the upcoming presidential election, presumably in an attempt to create as many new citizen voters as possible. ...

Your department seems intent on approving as many naturalization cases as quickly as possible at a time when it should instead be putting on the brakes and reviewing past adjudications, especially in light of this week's Office of Inspector General report that found USCIS granted U.S. citizenship to at least 858 individuals from "special interest" countries (i.e. countries that are of concern to the national security of the United States) or countries with high rates of immigration fraud, who had final deportation orders under another identity.

"We sincerely hope history is not repeating itself," Grassley and Johnson write, noting the Clinton administration's actions 20 years ago.

In 1996, congressional investigators found a letter from a Chicago alderman to the White House, saying its Citizenship USA program could "provide the Democrats with a strategic advantage" and that "people stuck in Chicago's naturalization bottleneck represent

Foundation, says that politicizing the citizenship process would be highly unethical.

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Environmental nannies can't regulate cow farts — yet

Watchdog

First off, let's clear the air: California's latest climate change law doesn't limit cow farts, exactly. Not yet, anyway.

What it does do is throw another heaping pile of regulations and oversight at industries that are already regulated six ways to Sunday.

Signed into law by Democratic Gov. Jerry Brown last week, the law sets goals for emission reductions from "short-lived climate pollutants" — like methane — by 2030 and for a 75 percent statewide reduction in the disposal of organic waste by 2025. Brown

called the law, which follows on the heels of two recent measures scaling-up emissions reductions goals and increasing legislative oversight of the efforts, "the critical next step in our program to combat climate change."

California's crackdown on flatulent Friesians won't cool the planet a millionth of a degree. But for the state's over-regulated dairy farmers, it's just one more kick in the udders.

"This bill is very troublesome from our perspective," says Anja Raudabaugh, CEO of Western United Dairymen, who says that state regulations pre-

dating the new law place the full brunt of the measure on the backs of dairy farmers. Pre-existing regulations control prices on dairy products such as milk and butter, meaning that farmers are not allowed to charge prices reflective of the greatly increased cost of production.

Taking the nanny-tested, nanny-approved spoonful of sugar approach, the new restrictions are accompanied by a \$50 million subsidy, funded by the state's cap-and-trade program, to help dairies pay for acquiring anaerobic digesters, which help break down manure and reduce methane output.

But the subsidy won't cover the cost.

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According to the dairymen's group, digesters run \$2 million a pop — a huge financial burden for smaller operations. Moreover, for any one digester to have a substantive impact on methane reduction, it has to be used on a farm with a large number of cows. A single digester requires 400 cows worth of manure input to be economically sustainable — that is, being able to produce enough biogas to pay for the digester and its maintenance.

For small, organic dairies, the new law could be a death knell. Raudabaugh cited a 23-month decline in California milk production, in large part a result of dairies closing their doors and fleeing over-regulation.

"This bill should be a concern to the average person looking to provide a healthful, affordable meal," she said.

Dairy's carbon footprint is already shrinking, but apparently not fast enough for Brown.

The new law's accelerated timetable would mandate a 40 percent reduction in methane emissions by 2030 in addition to a 50 percent increase in composting in the next four years. Moreover, the California Air Resources Board has been given increased authority to adopt and enforce air-quality policies.

And where do cow farts come in?

Restrictions on enteric emissions — that is, belches and farts — were negotiated out of the final bill, mostly because the technology to reliably control them does not exist.

But the law does give the Air Resources Board the authority to require the "monitoring and reporting of emissions."

And while it includes provisions that allow the board to push back deadlines if they prove as unfeasible as Raudabaugh predicts, she is "not optimistic that the ARB will live up to its promise there."

Meanwhile, the search for a technology to aid regulation of methane emissions from cow farts continues. When it becomes available, you can bet that Brown, the Air Resources Board and California's other nannies will be ready to do what they do best, and regulate the crap out of air quality.

Nobel Prize for Japanese who unraveled cell recycling system

STOCKHOLM (AP) -- Japanese biologist Yoshinori Ohsumi won the Nobel Prize in medicine on Monday for discoveries on how cells break down and recycle content, a garbage disposal system that scientists hope to harness in the fight against cancer, Alzheimer's and other diseases.

The Karolinska Institute honored Ohsumi for "brilliant experiments" in the 1990s on autophagy, a phenomenon that literally means "self-eating" and describes how cells gobble up damaged content and provide building blocks for renewal.

Disrupted autophagy (aw-TAH'-fuh-jee) has been linked to several diseases including Parkinson's, diabetes and cancer, the prize committee said.

"Intense research is now ongoing to develop drugs that can

target autophagy in various diseases," it said in its citation.

Ohsumi, 71, from Fukuoka, Japan, is a professor at the Tokyo Institute of Technology. In 2012, he won the Kyoto Prize, Japan's highest private award for global achievement.

Ohsumi said he never thought he would win a Nobel Prize for his work, which he said involved studying yeast in a microscope day after day for decades.

"As a boy, the Nobel Prize was a dream, but after starting my research, it was out of my picture," he told reporters in Tokyo.

"I don't feel comfortable competing with many people, and instead I find it more enjoyable doing something nobody else is doing," Ohsumi added.

"In a way, that's what science is all about, and the joy of finding

something inspires me."

Nobel committee secretary Thomas Perlmann said Ohsumi seemed surprised when he was informed he had won the Nobel Prize.

"The first thing he said was 'ahhh.' He was very, very pleased," Perlmann said.

Nobel judges often award discoveries made decades ago, to make sure they have stood the test of time.

The term autophagy was coined in 1963 by Belgian scientist Christian de Duve, who shared the 1974 Nobel Prize in medicine for discoveries on cell structure and organization.

But before Ohsumi's research, scientists "didn't know what it did, they didn't know how it was controlled and they didn't know what it was relevant for," said David Rubinsztein, deputy director of the

Institute for Medical Research at the University of Cambridge.

Now "we know that autophagy is important for a host of important mammalian functions." For example, it protects against starvation in the period when a newborn animal hasn't yet started breastfeeding, by providing energy, he said.

It also removes proteins that clump together abnormally in brain cells, which is important in conditions like Huntington's and Parkinson's diseases and some forms of dementia. If autophagy didn't do that job, "the diseases would appear more early and be more aggressive," he said.

Animal studies suggest that boosting autophagy can ease and delay such diseases, said Rubinsztein, whose lab is pursuing that approach for therapy.

"As time goes on, people are

finding connections with more and more diseases" and normal cellular operations, he said.

The fundamental significance of autophagy was only recognized after Ohsumi's "paradigm-shifting research" on yeast in the 1990s, the Nobel committee said. It said he published his "seminal discovery" of 15 genes crucial to au-

tophagy in 1993, and cloned several of those genes in yeast and mammalian cells in subsequent studies.

"He actually unraveled which are the components which actually perform this whole process," Rune Toftgard, chairman of the Nobel Assembly, said.

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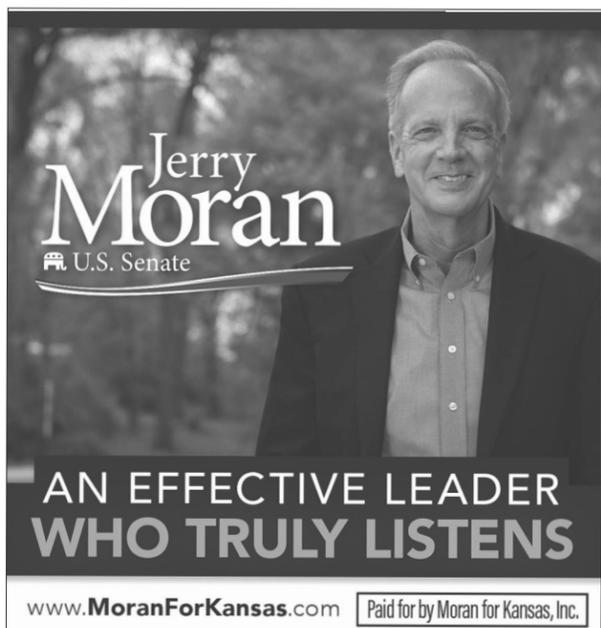
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West Virginia	1 - 0	4 - 0	1.000
Texas Tech	1 - 0	3 - 1	.750
Oklahoma	1 - 0	2 - 2	.500
Okla State	1 - 1	3 - 2	.600
TCU	1 - 1	3 - 2	.600
Kansas State	0 - 1	2 - 2	.500
Texas	0 - 1	2 - 2	.500
Kansas	0 - 1	1 - 3	.250
Iowa State	0 - 2	1 - 4	.200

Kansas State Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/ TV
Friday Sep. 2	at Stanford	Loss 13 - 26
Sat. Sep. 10	OFF	
Sat. Sep. 17	Florida Atl.	Win 63 - 7
Sat. Sep. 24	Missouri State	Win 35 - 0
Sat. Oct. 1	at West Virginia	Loss 16 - 17
Sat. Oct. 8	Texas Tech	6:00 pm
Sat. Oct. 15	at Oklahoma	TBA
Sat. Oct. 22	Texas	TBA
Sat. Oct. 29	at Iowa State	TBA
Sat. Nov. 5	Oklahoma State	TBA
Sat. Nov. 12	--- OFF ---	---
Sat. Nov. 19	at Baylor	TBA
Sat. Nov. 26	Kansas	TBA
Sat. Dec. 3	at TCU	TBA

Kansas Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/ TV
Sat, Sept. 3	Rhode Island	Win 55 - 6
Sat, Sept. 10	Ohio	Loss 21 - 37
Sat, Sept. 17	at Memphis	Loss 7 - 43
Thu, Sept. 29	at TT	Loss 19 - 55
Sat, Oct. 8	TCU	11:00 a.m.
Sat, Oct. 15	at Baylor	
Sat, Oct. 22	Okla. St.	
Sat, Oct. 29	at Oklahoma	
Sat, Nov. 5	at West Virginia	
Sat, Nov. 12	Iowa State	
Sat, Nov. 19	Texas	
Sat, Nov. 26	at Kansas State	

Big 12 Schedule

Date	Home Team	Away Team	Location	Time (CT)	Media
* Sat, Oct 08	Oklahoma State	Iowa State	Stillwater, Okla.	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Oct 08	Kansas	TCU	Lawrence, Kan.	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Oct 08	Kansas State	Texas Tech	Manhattan, Kan.	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Oct 08	Oklahoma	Texas	Dallas, Texas	TBA	FS1 Live Stats
* Sat, Oct 15	Baylor	Kansas	Waco, Texas	TBA	
* Sat, Oct 15	Oklahoma	Kansas State	Norman, Okla.	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Oct 15	Texas Tech	West Virginia	Lubbock, Texas	TBA	
* Sat, Oct 15	Texas	Iowa State	Austin, Texas	TBA	LHN / Live Stats
* Sat, Oct 22	West Virginia	TCU	Morgantown, W. Va.	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Oct 22	Kansas	Oklahoma State	Lawrence, Kan.	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Oct 22	Kansas State	Texas	Manhattan, Kan.	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Oct 22	Texas Tech	Oklahoma	Lubbock, Texas	TBA	
* Sat, Oct 29	Oklahoma	Kansas	Norman, Okla.	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Oct 29	Texas	Baylor	Austin, Texas	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Oct 29	Oklahoma State	West Virginia	Stillwater, Okla.	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Oct 29	TCU	Texas Tech	Fort Worth, Texas	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Oct 29	Iowa State	Kansas State	Ames, Iowa	TBA	Live Stats
* Thu, Nov 03	Iowa State	Oklahoma	Ames, Iowa	6:30 p.m.	ESPN *
Sat, Nov 05	Texas Tech	Texas	Lubbock, Texas	TBA	
* Sat, Nov 05	Kansas State	Oklahoma State	Manhattan, Kan.	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Nov 05	Baylor	TCU	Waco, Texas	TBA	
* Sat, Nov 05	West Virginia	Kansas	Morgantown, W. Va.	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Nov 12	Oklahoma State	Texas Tech	Stillwater, Okla.	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Nov 12	Oklahoma	Baylor	Norman, Okla.	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Nov 12	Texas	West Virginia	Austin, Texas	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Nov 12	Kansas	Iowa State	Lawrence, Kan.	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Nov 19	TCU	Oklahoma State	Fort Worth, Texas	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Nov 19	Iowa State	Texas Tech	Ames, Iowa	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Nov 19	Kansas	Texas	Lawrence, Kan.	TBA	Live Stats
* Sat, Nov 19	Baylor	Kansas State	Waco, Texas	TBA	
* Sat, Nov 19	West Virginia	Oklahoma	Morgantown, W. Va.	TBA	Live Stats

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Fitzwater exhibit to open at K-State library

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — Marlin Fitzwater, a Kansas State University alumnus who served as press secretary for Presidents Ronald Reagan and George H.W. Bush, is being honored by the Kansas State University Libraries with an exhibit, "Marlin Fitzwater: From Wheat Fields to White House," starting in October and continuing through March 17.

Fitzwater, a Salina native who grew up in Abilene, had donated his personal papers to the Richard L.D. & Marjorie J. Morse Department of Special Collections at K-State Libraries. A sample of that donation makes up the exhibit, with visitors able to examine correspondence, publications, photos, memorabilia and official government documents.

The exhibit will open at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday. At 6:30 p.m., Fitzwater will have a conversation with Cathy Dawes, news director of 1350 KMAN. Guests must RSVP, as space is limited. Contact Darchelle Martin at martin05@k-state.edu or call (785) 532-7442.

Fitzwater graduated from K-State in 1965 and served as a spokesman and speechwriter at



Marlin Fitzwater (left) was serving as Vice President George Bush's press secretary in 1987 when President Ronald Reagan asked him to serve as press secretary.

the Environmental Protection Agency, the Department of Transportation and the Department of Treasury before joining the White House staff in 1983.

He remained there for 10 years, including six years as press secretary.

Fitzwater and his wife, Melinda, now live in Deale,

Md. While back in Manhattan, he will visit several classes on campus.

Kerry says US not abandoning peace efforts in Syria

BRUSSELS (AP) -- The United States won't abandon its pursuit of peace in Syria after suspending direct U.S.-Russian talks on a cease-fire, U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry said Tuesday, even as he announced no new strategy to replace diplomatic efforts with Russia.

Washington and Moscow will still discuss Syria as part of larger multilateral negotiations, Kerry said, and they'll make sure their warplanes conducting bombing missions in the Arab country don't cross paths. Explaining Monday's announcement to halt bilateral contacts over Syria, he said Russia has rejected diplomacy and chosen instead to help Syrian President Bashar Assad's government achieve a military victory over rebel groups.

"We acknowledge in sorrow and, I have to tell you, a great sense of outrage that Russia has turned a blind eye to Assad's deplorable use of these weapons of war, chlorine gas and barrel bombs, against his people," Kerry said in a speech focused on trans-Atlantic ties at an event hosted by the German Marshall Fund in Brussels.

"Together, the Syrian regime and Russia seemed to have rejected diplomacy," he said, opting for a victory at the expense of "the broken bodies, bombed-out hospitals and traumatized

children of a long-suffering land."

Monday's announcement dealt peace efforts a serious blow. Coupled with a Russian announcement to put on hold a plutonium disposal deal with the U.S., it showed chilly relations between the former Cold War foes turning even frostier.

Kerry said the decision wasn't taken lightly.

"We are not giving up on the Syrian people. We are not abandoning the pursuit of peace," the secretary of state said, with Washington maintaining its pursuit of a truce that grounds Russian and Syrian planes and allows aid to reach besieged, rebel-held areas of northern Syria.

The U.S. also will press on with military efforts against the Islamic State group, he said, and finding a durable political solution that allows Syrians to return home and alleviates Europe's refugee crisis.

But of Russia and Syria's airstrikes on the city of Aleppo, he said, "People who are serious about making peace behave differently."

The 5½-year war has killed as many as 500,000 people, chased millions of Syrians from their homes and allowed IS to carve out territory for itself and emerge as a global terrorist threat.

Hurricane Matthew makes landfall in vulnerable Haiti

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) -- Hurricane Matthew roared into the southwestern coast of Haiti on Tuesday, threatening a largely rural corner of the impoverished country with devastating storm conditions as it headed north toward Cuba and the eastern coast of Florida.

The dangerous Category 4 storm made landfall around dawn on Haiti's southern peninsula, where many people live along the coast in shacks of wood or simple concrete blocks that are ill-suited to the force of the system's maximum sustained winds of 145 mph (230 kph).

Matthew was causing major damage though the extent was not immediately known, according to Marie Alta Jean-Baptiste, the director of the country's Civil Protection Agency.

"It's much too early to know how bad things are but we do

know there are a lot of houses that have been destroyed or damaged in the south," Jean-Baptiste told The Associated Press.

Haitian authorities had tried to evacuate people from the most vulnerable areas ahead of the storm but many had been reluctant to leave their property. Some sought shelter only after the worst was already upon them.

"Many people are now asking for help, but it's too late because there is no way to go evacuate them," said Fonie Pierre, director of Catholic Relief Services for the Les Cayes area, who was huddled in her office with about 20 people.

Matthew was expected to bring 15-25 inches of rain, and up to 40 inches (100 centimeters) in isolated places, along with up to 10 feet (3 meters) of storm surge and battering waves, said Dennis Feltgen, a meteorologist and spokesman

for the U.S. National Hurricane Center in Miami.

"They are getting everything a major hurricane can throw at them," Feltgen said.

The storm was moving along the Windward Passage between Haiti and Jamaica, where it was also dumping heavy rain that caused flooding in parts of the country. It was headed for southeastern Cuba and then into the Bahamas.

The hurricane center said it would likely issue a tropical storm watch or hurricane watch for the Florida Keys or the Florida peninsula and that it could create dangerous beach conditions along the East Coast later in the week.

As dawn broke, people in the south coast tourist town of Port Salut described howling winds and big waves slamming the beaches and washing over the coastal road.

"The winds are making so many bad noises. We're just doing our best to stay calm," said Jenniflore Desrosiers as she huddled with her family in her fragile cinderblock home, which had sprung numerous leaks from pelting rain.

Haiti's civil protection office said a number of south coast towns partially flooded overnight. Landslides and downed trees on roadways were preventing movement in numerous areas. The few places that were on the electrical grid had apparently lost power and cellphone service was spotty.

Haitian officials spent Monday trying to persuade shantytown residents to take advantage of shelters being set up, but many refused.

"If we lose our things we are not going to get them back!" said Toussaint Laine, an unemployed man who lives with his family in a shack in Tabarre, a

suburb of Port-au-Prince, the capital.

In an unregulated sprawl of shacks built on hillsides near the northern edge of the capital, some poor families did what they could to reinforce their tin-and-tarp home and hoped for the best.

"I know my house could easily blow away. All I can do is pray and then pray some more," Ronlande Francois said by the tarp-walled shack where she lives with her unemployed husband and three children.

Haiti's civil protection agency earlier reported one death, a fisherman who drowned in rough water churned up by the storm. That raised Matthew's death toll to at least three. One man died in Colombia and a teen was killed in St. Vincent and the Grenadines as the storm moved through the Caribbean.

Cuba's government declared

a hurricane alert for six eastern provinces and workers removed traffic lights from poles in the city of Santiago to keep them from falling when the storm hit.

At one point a Category 5 storm, and the region's strongest hurricane since Felix in 2007, Matthew was expected to make landfall in Cuba about 50 miles (80 kilometers) east of the U.S. Navy base at Guantanamo Bay, where authorities flew out about 700 spouses and children of service members.

As of 8 a.m. EDT (1200 GMT), the storm was located about 10 miles (15 kilometers) east of Tiburon, Haiti, and 125 miles (200 kilometers) south of the eastern tip of Cuba. It was moving north near 9 mph (15 kph).

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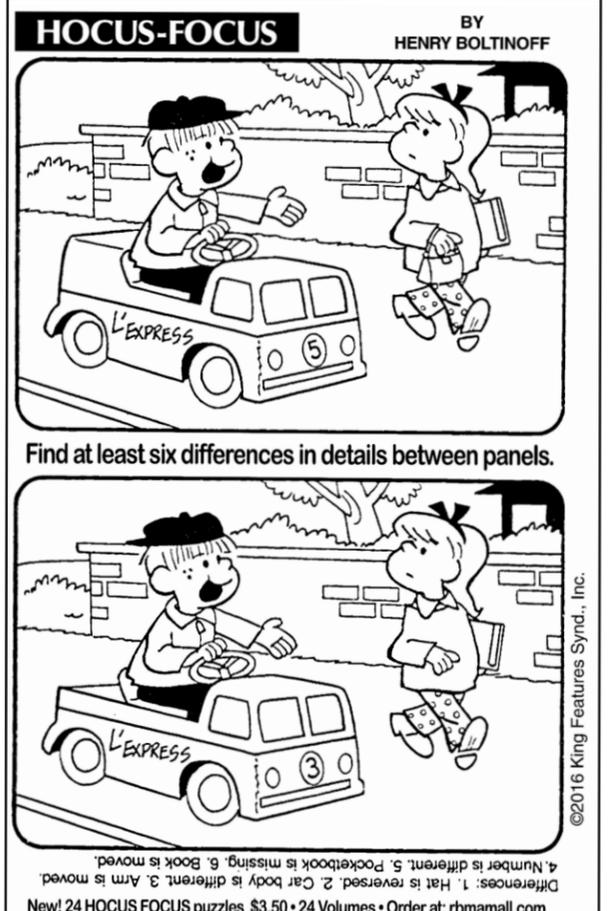
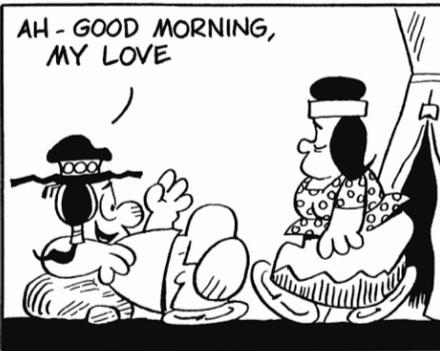
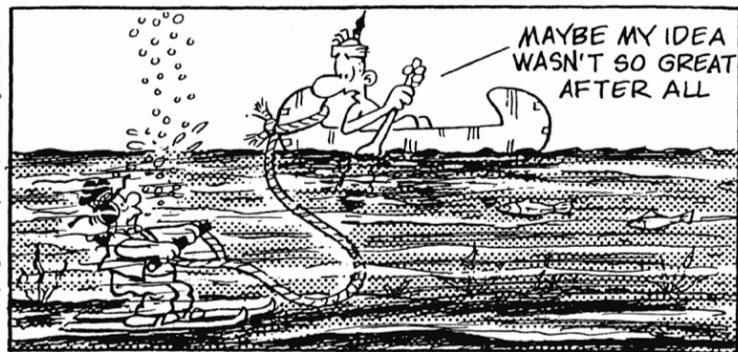
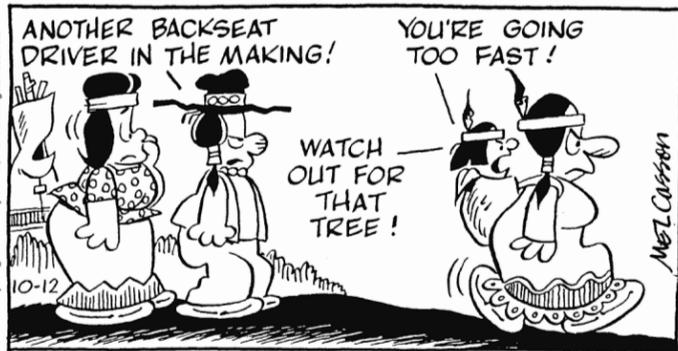
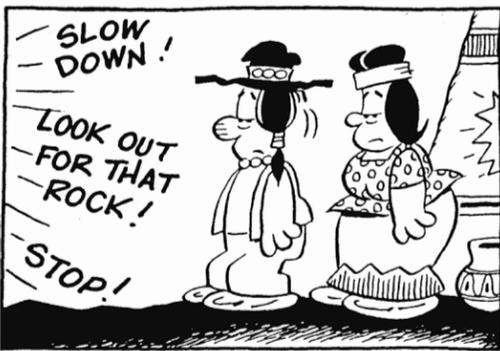
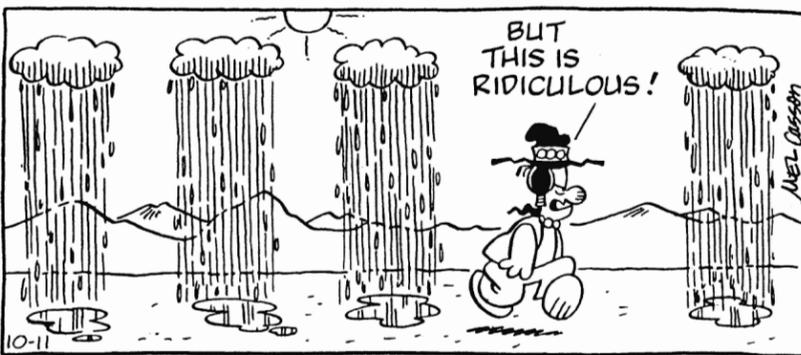
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New Clery report: Number of rapes reported at KU went down last year

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) — The number of rapes reported at the University of Kansas went down from 19 in 2014 to 13 in 2015, according to the school's latest Clery report.

The newly released report — which tallies rapes and other crimes reported during the 2015 calendar year — was shared with KU students and employees late Friday.

Rape includes sodomy and sexual assault with an object, according to the Clery report definition. Of the 13 rapes reported at KU in 2015, five occurred in campus housing and five occurred elsewhere on campus, according to the report. One occurred at a "non-campus" location, and two occurred

on public property. Reports of fondling also went down, from 14 in 2014 to four in 2015, according to the report. All four 2015 cases occurred in campus housing.

No cases of incest or statutory rape, the other sex crimes tallied in the report, were reported in 2014 or 2015.

The federal Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act requires postsecondary institutions to track and annually report crime reported on their campuses.

Clery reports tally crimes reported to campus police, other law enforcement and university officials — such as KU's Office of Institutional Opportunity and Access (IOA), which investi-

gates reports of sexual violence separately from police. They include crimes reported on campus proper, public property adjacent to campus and non-campus properties such as fraternities, sororities or buildings used for university purposes that aren't necessarily contiguous to the campus.

The KU Office of Public Safety's annual crime statistics, a separate report, are released each spring.

KU police Deputy Chief James Anguiano said he could not say for sure what caused the

decrease in KU's sex crime reports from 2014 to 2015.

In late 2014 KU created the position of CARE (Campus Assistance, Resource and Education) coordinator, tasked with providing support and information about medical, psychological, legal and university resources to victims of sexual violence or accused perpetrators.

In 2015 it changed from a mandated reporter position to a confidential one — meaning the CARE coordinator is no longer required to report sexual assaults people tell her about to

law enforcement or university officials.

The ability for victims to talk to someone on campus confidentially may have contributed to the dip in sexual violence reports, but Anguiano said it's impossible to say for sure.

However, he said, the most important thing is for victims to know their options and get the help they need.

"As we see victims that want to come in to report, whether it's a police report or talking to IOA, as long as they're getting assistance is the major thing,"

Anguiano said. "We just want victims to be aware that there are places to go and to report."

In addition to KU's crime statistics, comprehensive campus safety information including contacts for the CARE Coordinator, law enforcement and IOA is included in this year's 83-page Clery report.

The number of rapes reported in 2014 differs slightly from last year's Clery report to this year's. The report notes that a rape that occurred in 2014 was not reported until 2015, and thus the earlier report was amended.

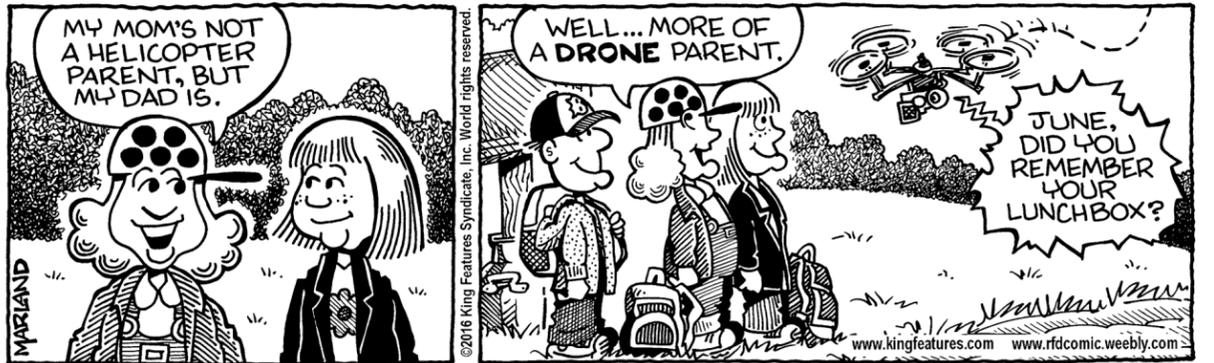
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Howard TD pass lifts West Virginia over Kansas State 17-16

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. (AP) — Skyler Howard was waiting for something good to happen to West Virginia's offense.

That occurred in the fourth quarter, when the Mountaineers came from 13 points down to beat Kansas State 17-16 on Saturday in the Big 12 opener for both teams.

"You know the snowball effect where you get one thing going wrong and the snowball just keeps getting bigger and bigger and bigger?" Howard said. "You're looking around like, man, we need a spark. We need something to happen."

"Our guys came together and kept fighting. Nobody was down or pointing fingers."

Despite being held scoreless in the first half for the first time in three seasons, West Virginia improved to 4-0 for the first time since 2012. The Mountaineers broke a four-game losing streak to the Wildcats since joining the league that year.

"I just couldn't be more proud of our team for having the courage to go out there and do that in the second half," said West Virginia coach Dana Holgorsen.

Kansas State (2-2) had a chance to win it. But Matthew McCrane, who earlier made three field goals, missed a 43-yarder wide left with 2:03 left.



Kansas State's Will Davis (35) has been named a semifinalist for the William V. Campbell Trophy. (Photo Big 12 Sports Information)

West Virginia got the ball at its 26 and ran out the clock.

Kansas State was limited to 108 yards of offense in the second half.

"Our execution was not as good as it needs to be," said Kansas State coach Bill Snyder. "We just probably didn't move the ball like we should. We struggled offensively in the second half when we had to have some movement. Couldn't get

first downs."

West Virginia's turnaround began when Shelton Gibson caught a 52-yard pass near the end of the third quarter and Ka'Raun White caught a 7-yarder on fourth-and-6 four plays later. Justin Crawford ran nine yards on first-and-goal and he finished the drive with a 1-yard TD run with 13:41 left to cut the deficit to 16-10.

A 31-yard punt later gave

West Virginia the ball back at its 43, and Howard converted a third-down pass to Ka'Raun White at the Kansas State 9 before scrambling to find Jovon Durante in the right corner of the end zone from 7 yards out with 6:11 left for the final margin.

"I saw a little window and we took it," said Howard, who finished 24 of 41 passes for 298 yards with one interception. "In

the grand scheme of things, we make that play a lot in practice. But to finally do it in a game, it paid off."

West Virginia squeaked by for the second straight game. A week ago the Mountaineers were ahead of BYU by 16 points in the fourth quarter and needed Maurice Fleming's interception to seal the 35-32 win. "Finding a way to win is the most important thing," Hol-

gorsen said.

THE TAKEAWAY

KANSAS STATE: The Wildcats entered the game with the nation's top defense but gave up 422 yards to the Mountaineers. Kansas State was held to 286 total yards of offense and Jesse Ertz completed 10 of 30 passes for 166 yards.

Snyder said Ertz was "not like he has been in the last couple of weeks. But once again, West Virginia had an awful lot to do with that."

WEST VIRGINIA: The Mountaineers left plenty of points off the board. Rushel Shell fumbled the ball away at the Kansas State 3 late in the third quarter, and Josh Lambert earlier missed a 30-yard field goal.

POLL IMPLICATIONS

West Virginia could get enough votes to sneak into the AP Top 25 poll but needed a more convincing win to ensure that happens. The Mountaineers entered Saturday's game four spots out of the poll.

UP NEXT

KANSAS STATE: Hosts Texas Tech next Saturday.

WEST VIRGINIA: Heads into a bye week before playing its first true road game of the season at Texas Tech on Oct. 15.

K-State Returns Home, Hosts Texas Tech

Following a heartbreaking 17-16 loss at West Virginia last weekend to open Big 12 play, K-State returns home to Bill Snyder Family Stadium as the Wildcats host the Texas Tech Red Raiders in a primetime nationally-televised league matchup. Saturday's game, which kicks off at 6 p.m., will be televised nationally on ESPNU with Clay Matvik and Dusty Dvoracek calling the action. The contest can also be heard across the K-State Sports Network with Wyatt Thompson (play-by-play), former K-State quarterback Stan Weber (analyst) and Matt Walters (sidelines) on the call, as well as Sirius channel 136, XM channel 199. Live stats are available at k-statesports.com, while

Twitter updates via @kstate_gameday and @KStateFB will all be a part of the coverage.

A LOOK AT K-STATE

- Guided by 2015 College Football Hall of Fame inductee Bill Snyder, who is in the midst of his 25th season at the helm of the Wildcats, K-State is looking to bounce back from a tough 17-16 loss at West Virginia.
- K-State continues to play tough defense as it currently leads the Big 12 and ranks fourth nationally in total defense and has held its opponents to an average of 12.5 points and 239.8 yards per game. This week, the Cats rank tops in the league in rush defense, pass defense, total defense and scoring

defense and will face the league's most potent offense on Saturday.

- Seven players on defense have recorded 10 or more tackles, led by Elijah Lee's 33 stops, while Jordan Willis currently is tied for the league lead in sacks with 4.0.

- K-State has held each of its first four opponents to an average of 85.2 yards a game on the ground.

- K-State held high-powered West Virginia scoreless in the first half of last week's contest, marking the first time since the 2014 Iowa State game that the Wildcats pitched a shutout in a half in a Big 12 road game.

- K-State is a perfect 20-of-20 in red zone scores so far this season, and, dating back to last

year, the Wildcats have been perfect on its last 45 red-zone attempts, 32 of which resulted in touchdowns.

A LOOK AT TEXAS TECH

- Texas Tech currently boasts the top offense in the Big 12, leading the league in pass offense, total offense and scoring offense.

- Patrick Mahomes II has thrown for a Big 12-best 442.5 yards per game has totaled 483.8 yards per game.

- Wide Receiver Jonathan Giles has caught a Big 12-best 31 passes for 565 yards and seven touchdowns.

- The Red Raiders have scored 55 or more points in each of their first four games while giving up 37.2 per game.

A LOOK AT THE SERIES

- This weekend's game against the Red Raiders is the 17th all-time meeting, including the 14th in Big 12 play, as Texas Tech holds a 7-9 advantage.

- The Wildcats have won four of the last five meetings but are looking to bounce back from a 59-44 loss in Lubbock last year.

- K-State holds a 4-2 advantage in games played in Manhattan and have won two-straight in Bill Snyder Family Stadium by an average of 50.0-18.5.

CONFERENCE HOME OPENER

- K-State is 12-8 all-time in Big 12 home openers, including an 11-6 mark under head coach

Bill Snyder.

- Since Snyder's return to the sidelines in 2009, K-State is 4-3 in Big 12 home openers after dropping last year's conference opener to No. 2 TCU, 52-45.

- The Wildcats also opened up its 2014 home Big 12 schedule against Texas Tech with a 45-13 victory.

SUSTAINABLE SUCCESS

- Kansas State is in rare company in college football as the Wildcats rank in the top 20 in wins among FBS programs over the last 21-plus seasons.

- Since 1995, K-State has picked up 176 victories, which is ranks 19th in the nation.

- The Cats are only three wins away from 16th and six victories away from the top 15.

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