

Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

9x9 Sudoku grid with numbers 9, 2, 7, 8, 1, 3, 2, 9, 3, 8, 3, 2, 7, 4, 6, 6, 8, 9, 3, 1, 5, 3, 7, 1, 8, 8.

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This is a logic-based number placement puzzle. The goal is to enter a number, 1-9, in each cell in which each row, column and 3x3 region must contain only one instance of each numeral.

9x9 Sudoku solution grid with numbers 9, 7, 3, 4, 2, 5, 8, 1, 6, 5, 1, 2, 9, 6, 8, 7, 4, 3, 4, 8, 6, 1, 7, 3, 9, 2, 5, 1, 4, 9, 7, 8, 6, 3, 5, 2, 6, 5, 8, 3, 9, 2, 4, 7, 1, 3, 2, 7, 5, 4, 1, 6, 8, 9, 2, 6, 4, 8, 5, 9, 1, 3, 7, 8, 9, 1, 2, 3, 7, 5, 6, 4, 7, 3, 5, 6, 1, 4, 2, 9, 8.

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Feds seeking millions in fraud

WICHITA (AP) — Federal prosecutors said Thursday they were seeking a judgment of about \$18.4 million from seven defendants alleged to have defrauded business owners across the nation of millions of dollars.

A federal grand jury meeting in Wichita returned a superseding indictment Wednesday adding a forfeiture allegation to a 43-count indictment returned last month against Richard Hagan, president of PBS Global Inc. of Melbourne, Fla.

Hagan and six employees of the firm are accused of fax-blasting small businesses with fraudulent offers to help them sell their companies.

Also named in the new indictment were: Brian Renneisen, Media, Pa.; John Persaud and Cheri Persaud, both of Boca Raton, Fla.; Andrew Wang, Mount Laurel, N.J.; Marvin Hicks, Canton, Ga.; and Shaun Smoker, who had no known address.

The indictment includes one count of conspiracy to commit wire fraud, 14 counts of wire fraud via fax transmissions, six counts of wire fraud via telephone calls, 13 counts of mail fraud, one count of conspiracy to commit money laundering and eight counts of money laundering.

The superseding indictment announced Thursday named cars and

homes as subject to the forfeiture. The defendants have pleaded not guilty.

Kurt Kerns, lawyer for Cheri Persaud, said Thursday that the superseding indictment was not unexpected.

"It's just another accusation," Kerns said. "And it's an accusation that didn't come by surprise. And we look forward to defending those false allegations just like we look forward to defending the previous false allegations."

According to the indictment, the defendants sent thousands of unsolicited faxes to small businesses throughout the nation, offering to find buyers for those businesses.

The indictment said the faxes offered a 100 percent money-back guarantee that PBS Global would find qualified buyers, but that PBS later denied claims for refunds.

To deny refunds, the company provided clients with sham matches, the government contended.

Prosecutors said that while PBS had an income of about \$18.5 million, only about \$290,000 of it came from completed sales of businesses. Prosecutors said 98 percent of the money PBS received from clients was for independent third-party business valuations.

The government contends Hagan, Renneisen and John Persaud each owned one-third interest in PBS Global.

In its initial indictment, the government did not seek forfeiture of any assets. Assistant U.S. Attorney Alan Metzger told the judge that a superseding indictment seeking forfeiture was forthcoming.

Public Notice

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF KANSAS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff,

VCivil Case No: 07-1295-MLB

\$163,100.00 IN UNITED STATES CURRENCY, More or less, Defendant.

NOTICE OF FORFEITURE ACTION

Notice is hereby given that on September 21, 2007, the United States of America filed an action pursuant to 21 U. S.C. § 8 8 1 (a)(6) for the forfeiture of the above captioned defendant property, which was seized on August 6, 2007, by the Kansas Highway Patrol from Adrian Sedillo, on 1-70 Highway, near milepost 46, in Thomas County, Kansas.

Any person who asserts an interest in the defendant property may contest the forfeiture by filing a claim under the above-captioned case number, and in accordance with Rule G(5) of the Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime and Asset Forfeiture Claims, Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, in the Office of the Clerk, United States District Court, District of Kansas, 401 N. Market, Wichita, Kansas 67202. The claim shall be filed within 35 days of direct notice being sent, or 30 days after the final newspaper publication of this notice, whichever is first notice to a particular claimant. A claimant shall also file an answer to the Complaint within 20 days of the filing of their claim.

Copies of any claim, and the answer to the Complaint, are to be sent to Special Assistant United States Attorney Colin D. Wood, 1200 Epic Center, 301 N. Main, Wichita, Kansas 67202. Dated: September 25, 2007.

ERIC F. MELGREN United States Attorney

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State rejects coal plant permit

TOPEKA (AP) — Kansas' top environmental regulator rejected a permit Thursday for two coal-fired power plants in southwest Kansas, a victory for environmentalists concerned about global warming.

The decision from Rod Bremby, secretary of health and environment,

prevents Sunflower Electric Power Corp. from starting construction on its \$3.6 billion project outside Holcomb. However, the utility is expected to challenge the ruling.

Bremby said he denied the permit over concerns about the plants' potential carbon dioxide emissions.

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EXTENSION COUNCIL ELECTION

THOMAS COUNTY EXTENSION COUNCIL

TO: The Voters of Mail Ballot Election At Large, Thomas County, State of Kansas

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with K.S. A. 2-611, as amended, State of Kansas, that between the dates of October 10, 2007 through October 25, 2007, the citizens of voting age of the purpose of electing twelve (12) members, (three (3) each for Agricultural Pursuits, Family and Consumer Science Work, 4-H Club and Youth Work and Economic Development Initiatives) as representatives to the Thomas County Extension Council. Such ballots shall be mailed and/or otherwise transmitted to the Thomas County Extension Office on or before 5:00 p.m., Monday, October 25, 2007. If you do not receive a ballot, please contact the Thomas County Extension Office at 350 South Range, Suite #16, Colby, Kansas 67701, or call (785-460-4582).

Consideration shall be given to the Extension Program for the County.

Tom Rundel, Executive Board Chair

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LEGAL NOTICE

To The Clerk of the District Court, Delinquent Personal Tax Warrants for 2006. In accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 79-2101, Kansas Annotated and any and all Supplements thereto, I, Donita Applebury, County Treasurer of Thomas County, Kansas hereby certify that the Sheriff of Thomas County, Kansas has returned the following personal property tax warrants for the year of 2006 to me as being unpaid and the same are hereby transmitted in the office of the Clerk of District Court, to be recorded as a judgement, unless otherwise prohibited by applicable Federal or State Law.

Table with columns: WT#, NAME, ADDRESS, TOTAL. Lists 28 property owners and their tax amounts.

A copy of this certificate and abstract is being delivered to the County Attorney. Notice of publication as provided by K.S.A. 19-547.

Donita Applebury Thomas County Treasurer October 3, 2007

(Published in the Colby Free Press October 5, 15 and 19, 2007.)

Marriage is problem for young

By Dr. Joyce Brothers

Ask Dr. Joyce

Dear Dr. Brothers: I, and a number of my friends in our suburban community, are at an age when we'd like to be looking forward to grandchildren.

We're still relatively young ourselves, middle class, and in some ways relieved to have our kids well out of college and on their way. Most of our children are in their mid-20s or 30s, some a bit older, but they're certainly in no rush to get married -- or to my knowledge, have even thought about marriage. Something's wrong with this picture. Why do so many seem to have problems with marriage?

— C.C.

Dear C.C. I believe that through the years, we've turned into a society that's put an increasing value on success and individualism, with an emphasis on self rather than compromise and mutuality. We've always been highly competitive, but I suspect the old goals that we held of family and community as a whole have changed. Expecting and striving for equality between the sexes has, in many ways, made marriages better, but the ones that are the most successful and rewarding -- the kind of partnerships that endure and reward the longest -- are those fortunate ones in which both partners have been able not only to get a full and complete education, but also be able to pay for it, or have parents who are able to help out enough so that their offspring have the time and energy to even contemplate the responsibilities of marriage. The high cost of education has worked against marriage, as has the emphasis on self, the "me" attitude and greed. Relationships are made up of compromise and sharing, after all.

Dear Dr. Brothers: My husband was always a liberated man when it came to the role of women. Now, suddenly, he's changing -- partly because we have a 15-year-old daughter who loves sexy clothes that neither he nor I want her to wear, and also because a highly successful female in his office is mean and aggressive. My problem is that I don't want to find myself married to an ultra-conservative, anti-feminist man. He's beginning to see equality for women as a setback for society's values and morals, and definitely for men as a whole.

— D.C.

Dear D.C.: Try to remind him of some of the gains that feminism has brought to men, and one of them is that they no longer have to kill themselves working around the clock because they're the sole earners. A great deal of respon-



Dr. Joyce Brothers

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sibility has been lifted off their shoulders, allowing them to have more time to get to know their children and to establish close relationships with them that will last a lifetime.

Overall, despite the many problems in marriage today, partnership marriages have proven more rewarding for both men and women and, as a result these close, sharing relationships tend to last longer.

Many if not most parents today

are concerned and shocked by the sexualization of girls in their early teens.

This is partly because of girls' role models -- young, deeply troubled superstars -- but I'd say this represents the opposite of the feminist movement, in which education was respected and considered essential for women. Unfortunately, for a few celebrities, this is no longer the case.

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