

Brewster high grad to become the 911 liaison for the state

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Brewster graduate and former Thomas County undersheriff Scott Ekberg has been selected as the Kansas 911 liaison, providing guidance and technical support to Kansas' 118 public safety answering points.

Ekberg is the son of Robert and Dixie Ekberg of Colby. He grew up on a farm southwest of Colby and attended school in Brewster.

After graduating from high school, Ekberg began working for the City of Colby as a part-time dispatcher and part-time animal control officer. He later moved into a patrol position with the police department, then transferred

to a position as deputy in the Thomas County Sheriff's Office. He served as undersheriff from 1989 to 1995.

Ekberg and his wife Karen now live in Great Bend. They have three children, Christopher, Justin and Samantha, and two grandchildren.

Ekberg has served as an interoperable communications training

specialist with the Kansas Office of Emergency Communications for the past four years. Overall, he has more than 32 years of experience in law enforcement and emergency communications dispatch.

The 911 liaison position was

created by the 911 Coordinating Council and the Adjutant General's Department to enhance Kansas' 911 capabilities and help local and regional jurisdictions with planning and implementation of 911 services.

Walt Way, the 911 Coordinating Council's chairperson, said Ekberg brings both expertise and great experience to help the council increase its level of communication and assistance provided to Kansas dispatch centers.

Public Notice

CITY TREASURER'S QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT
FOR THE PERIOD FROM APRIL 1, 2013 TO JUNE 30, 2013

	BEGINNING TREASURY CASH	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	ENDING TREASURY CASH
GENERAL LIGHT	\$1,371,364.72	\$616,315.35	\$686,437.69	\$1,301,242.38
ELECTRIC UTILITY RESERVE FOR DEPR WATER	\$2,615,618.50	\$1,289,487.54	\$1,511,028.63	\$2,394,077.41
WATER UTILITY RESERVE FOR DEPR SEWAGE DISPOSAL	\$1,679,953.34	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,679,953.34
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL LIBRARY	\$1,473,963.72	\$248,453.18	\$207,685.82	\$1,514,731.08
RECREATION	\$701,404.57	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$701,404.57
NOXIOUS WEED	\$382,432.98	\$274,907.41	\$148,454.84	\$508,885.55
BOND & INTEREST	\$39,337.13	\$190,316.98	\$146,092.07	\$83,562.04
TOURISM & CONVENTION	\$389.31	\$78,355.26	\$78,000.00	\$744.57
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$834.59	\$47,020.90	\$47,000.00	\$855.49
SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT	\$19,690.28	\$750.75	\$1,149.24	\$19,291.79
SPECIAL FIRE & POLICE	\$479,603.43	\$354,869.47	\$197,221.25	\$637,251.65
SPECIAL LIABILITY	\$963.54	\$35,207.79	\$35,000.00	\$1,171.33
SPECIAL PARKS & RECREATION	\$372,730.05	\$303,343.79	\$295,974.65	\$380,099.19
SPECIAL STREETS	\$1,900,064.71	\$1,694.50	\$20,284.37	\$1,881,474.84
WATER TREATMENT (ACE)	\$101,116.63	\$12,081.36	\$1,500.00	\$111,697.99
EMBARK CDBG FUNDS	\$21,347.36	\$5,330.78	\$18,265.00	\$8,413.14
FINANCED PROJECTS	\$61,160.72	\$5,918.62	\$16,466.20	\$50,613.14
BOSSELMAN TIF DISTRICT	\$662,734.29	\$36,067.95	\$624.00	\$698,178.24
RISK MANAGEMENT	(\$35,190.14)	\$241,028.30	\$265,914.46	(\$60,076.30)
PAYROLL	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
METER DEPOSITS	\$1,071,058.50	\$380,801.83	\$294,928.28	\$1,156,932.05
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT RESERVE	\$392,428.92	\$100,228.53	\$24,546.00	\$468,111.45
MUNICIPAL EQUIPMENT RESERVE	\$373,669.47	\$553.80	\$0.00	\$374,223.27
FIRE INSURANCE PROCEEDS	\$18,452.36	\$0.00	\$10,762.08	\$7,690.28
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	\$338,575.52	\$4,352.36	\$0.00	\$342,927.88
E-911 FUNDS	\$2,888,311.56	\$147,204.55	\$9,934.72	\$3,025,581.39
TOTALS	\$1,472,697.08	\$72,886.85	\$245.30	\$1,545,338.63
	\$2,047,921.47	\$18,489.01	\$14,139.00	\$2,052,271.48
	\$145,306.40	\$14,152.31	\$8,232.11	\$151,226.60
AVAILABLE CASH				
Farmers & Merchants Bank	\$18,612,876.01			\$300.00
Peoples State Bank	\$2,425,000.00			\$4,000.00
TOTAL AVAILABLE CASH	\$21,037,876.01			\$4,300.00
OTHER CASH				
Cash Drawer				\$300.00
Petty Cash Fund				\$4,000.00
TOTAL OTHER CASH				\$4,300.00

Old-fashioned drive-in movie coming to McCook, first in 30 years

By Gene O. Morris

For the first time in more than 30 years, the people of McCook, Neb., and the surrounding region will have an opportunity to view a drive-in movie from the comfort of their cars, pickups and SUVs.

The special outdoor showing will be Saturday, Aug. 10, on the south side of the Red Willow County Fairgrounds. A large, inflatable screen - 10 yards tall and 15 yards wide - will be set up south of the grandstands for the showing of "Space Jam," starring Michael Jordan and Bugs Bunny, and "Footloose," the 1980s classic starring Kevin Bacon.

Everyone is welcome to pile into their vehicles and come to the show. The cost is a donation, with the proceeds going to the McCook Optimists to support the club's sponsorship of youth activities.

Entry gates will be set up on the south side of the fairgrounds near the West M Street and Westridge

Parkway intersection. Vehicles with show watchers are encouraged to come early to take their places in advance of the showing of "Space Jam" at 8:45 p.m. "This is just slightly before sundown, but it will still be dark enough for the show to start," said Gavin Harsh, the event organizer. The showing of "Footloose" will follow, with the starting time between 10:45 and 11 p.m.

Harsh, a 2013 graduate of McCook High School, came up with the idea for a drive-in movie as a way of saying thanks to the people of southwest Nebraska. The idea quickly caught on, with Gavin receiving encouragement and support from the Optimist Club and McCook business people.

In order to obtain a screen for the showing in McCook, Gavin made arrangements with Fun Flicks, a firm which specializes in outdoor showings throughout the U.S. A trip of 11 hours will be required to transport the outdoor

screen from Dallas to McCook.

"Arranging the show has been both fun and gratifying," Gavin said. "We're hoping for a large turnout. The show watchers can either sit in their vehicles with their friends and families, or they can bring their blankets and chairs and watch from a picnic area near the screen."

"Long-time residents of the McCook area remember the Bison Drive-In Theater, which opened in the late 1940s and remained in operation until the early 1980s, making it more than three decades since the last drive-in movie was shown."

For younger people, the Aug. 10 drive-in showing will be a new experience. For older citizens, it will be a night of nostalgia. "I invite all to join us for the evening," Gavin said. "It will be an affordable evening and a rare and special experience."

Eckmans to show off paper sculpture method at museum exhibit in Logan this summer, fall

The Dane G. Hansen Memorial Museum in Logan will present "The Eckman Method of Fine Art Cast Paper Sculpture" from Friday, Aug. 16, through Sunday, Oct. 6.

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Museum hours are 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 to noon and 1 to 5 Saturday and 1 to 5 p.m. Sundays and holidays. There is never an admission fee to the museum.

For information go to www.hansenmuseum.org.

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3.53%	2005 Street & Airport Improvement Bonds due serially each year thru 12-01-16	\$715,000.00
0.00%	2009 Fire Station Construction Bonds due serially each year thru 5-01-19	\$216,000.00
3.12%	2010 Fire Station, Ball Field Lights & Sewell Avenue Bonds due serially each year thru 12-01-19	\$2,025,000.00
2.35%	2010 Aquatic Center Bonds due serially each year thru 12-01-20	\$4,125,000.00
3.58%	2011 Willow Tax Increment Financing Bonds due serially each year thru 12-01-25	\$985,000.00
4.75%	2013 Copper First Addition Bonds due serially each year thru 12-01-33	\$90,000.00
4.56%	2007 Master Equipment Lease/Purchase due monthly thru 7-30-17	\$125,751.54
2.70%	2012 Farmers & Merchants Bank Lease/Purchase due monthly thru 4-01-27	\$1,670,232.06
	TOTAL GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS/LEASE PURCHASE	\$10,016,983.60

STATE REVOLVING FUND LOAN:

2.77%	2006 Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund Loan due semi-annually thru 9-01-27	\$6,439,455.08
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	TOTAL INDUSTRIAL/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS	\$2,424,528.96

/s/ Jolene A. Olsen

J. Jolene A. Olsen do hereby certify that the above statement is correct

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