

Group to bring events alive from past in music, drama

The Wichita Children's Theatre Professional Touring Company will present "Yankee Doodle" at 6:30 p.m. (Mountain Time) Monday at the St. Francis High School Auditorium, sponsored by the Western Plains Arts Association.

Admission will be by season pass, or at the door adults \$6 and children free if accompanied by a paying adult.

School presentations will be Monday at 8:30 a.m. (Mountain Time) at Quinter and 12:30 p.m. (Mountain Time) at Brewster; and Tuesday 8:30 a.m. (Mountain Time) at Winona and 12:30 p.m. (Mountain Time) at Rexford.

This rendition of "Yankee Doodle" portrays events from the past through drama, music, dance and mime, the company says.



Wichita Children's Theatre Professional Touring Co.

Committees are hard at work during first month of session

One month into the session and committees are hard at work.

The House Energy and Utilities Committee heard testimony and were to work the Sunflower coal plan and environmental regulations bill Friday but the committee adjourned without taking any action.

Elections and Government Organizations Committee is preparing for an important discussion on property rights. I anticipate many bills making their way to the House floor this week.

Missouri Lawmakers React to Kansas Tax bill

In reaction to passage of House Bill 2641 by the Kansas House, Missouri lawmakers hurried a tax repeal bill though their chambers this week. The bill eliminates the property tax deduction for residents of any state that does not give Kansas residents the same deduction.

As a result, Missouri Legislators have drafted an identical bill that would reestablish the deduction. This is a major victory for the House and its leadership who have worked closely with Missouri lawmakers to ensure that Kansas citizens are treated fairly.

Energy

All eyes were to be on the House Energy and Utilities Committee this week as it planned to work on House Bill 2711 allowing for expansion of the Sunflower coal plant in Holcomb with and establishes new environmental regulations.

However, it was announced on Friday that the bill has been pulled to be rewritten.

Specifically the bill would establish a carbon tax emissions cap and metering. This would be the first environmental regulations in the nation imposed at the state level.



jim morrison
capitol review

Speaker Neufeld formed a Select Committee on Energy and Environment for the Future earlier this week charged with establishing long-term energy policy. The committee will be chaired by Representative Don Myers (R Derby).

Other than the energy bill, sound fiscal policy is the driving force this session. Budget committees are working hard hearing agency requests.

In this tough fiscal time, the best approach for these agencies is to find the money internally by taking a close look at how they have allocated budget dollars in the past and cut out wasteful spending and outdated or under-performing programs.

The House Appropriations committee voted in favor of a set of guidelines for the Fiscal Year 2009 budget. These guidelines call for the committees to eliminate from the Governor's budget all but the required increases in State General Fund Spending.

This includes proposed budget enhancements and assumed gaming revenues and places even more strain on the State General Fund. Included is support for the State Employee Pay Plan and the five-year transition to a new state pay system. Essentially it will hold salary adjustments to 1.5 percent instead of the 2.5 percent recommended by the Governor.

Bills
Substitute for House Bill 2336, An act concerning sales taxation; relating to exemptions; food disaster emergencies; certain construction materials and ser-

vices.
HB 2730, passed out of my Efficiency and Technology Committee. It relates to public finance; creating the Kansas taxpayer transparency act; defining terms; requiring the secretary of administration to develop and operate a specified website; enumerating information which shall be made available on the website; establishing the public finance transparency board and prescribing its duties; and providing for nondisclosure of non-public information.

HB 2495, An act concerning income taxation; relating to corporations; surtax.

HB 2774, An act concerning immigration; requiring the adjutant general to request certain information from the United States immigrations and customs enforcement and to establish communications with certain foreign countries.

I really enjoy serving as your Representative in Topeka. I do not return to the area hardly at all during the first four months as I then have more time to help those requesting assistance with State Government. I take my duties seriously and am able to full-time dedicate myself to this work rather than 'campaigning'. Your continued prayers and help are greatly appreciated.

Rep. Jim Morrison
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Now is time to start thinking about ordering trees to plant

If you are like me, you are thinking about spring and the things that you would like to get done in the yard. If one of those is to put in or renovate a windbreak, now is the time to be getting those orders in for conservation trees from the Kansas Forest Service.

The service offers low-cost tree and shrub seedlings for use in conservation plantings. Plants are 1 to 2 years old, and 12 to 16 inches tall. The agency accepts orders from now through the first week in May each year.

Order early to ensure getting the items you want. Orders ship from the second week of March through the first week of May. Approved uses for these plants include windbreaks, wood lots, riparian plantings, wildlife habitat, educational purposes and Christmas trees. They may not be used for landscape (ornamental) plantings or grown for resale.

Though you can get a single species, four special bundles are available, designed to provide a place for songbirds, pheasant (western Kansas), quail (eastern Kansas) and



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wildlife to live. All items are sold in units of 25 plants.

For details and a printable order form, go online to www.kansasforests.org/public_saps/Welcome.aspx.

public notice

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF SHERMAN COUNTY, KANSAS FILED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 59 OF THE KANSAS STATUTES ANNOTATED

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DONALD D ZIMBELMAN, Deceased

Case No. 07 PR 20

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on the 31st day of January, 2008, a Petition for Final Settlement was filed in this Court by Rhonda K Coburn, as executor named in the Last Will and Testament praying for a final settlement of the estate, approval of her acts, proceed-

kansasforests.org/conservation/index.shtml. You can also order online at www.kansasforests.org/public_saps/Welcome.aspx. You can also stop by any Sunflower Extension office and pick up a copy of the forms or just give us a call and we will send them out to you.

ings and accounts as executor, allowance for attorneys' fees and expenses, devisees and legatees entitled to the estate and assignment to them in accordance with the Will of Donald D Zimbelman, deceased. You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 26th day of February, 2008, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., on said day, in said Court, in the City of Goodland, in Sherman County, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Rhonda K Coburn, Petitioner

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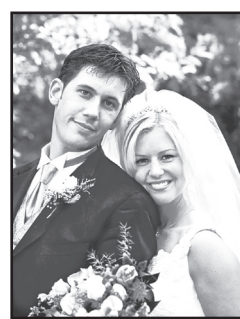
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Happy Valentine's Day, Nick!
Love, Jessica

"I love you like the stars above, I'll love you till I die."

Tell Everybody How You Feel About Your Valentine!

This Valentine's Day, give your sweetheart a gift he or she will remember for a long time to come! A 2x2 ad space is waiting for you to put your Valentine's Day wishes in it for your significant other. For only \$14, you can tell your Valentine how you feel about them!



To the love of my life, Amy. May our years together be filled with happiness and great memories that will last a lifetime. Happy Valentines Day! Love Always, John



Happy Valentine's Day! To our sweet child, Emily. We see your smiling face everyday and realize how blessed we are to have you in our lives. Love You! Mom and Dad



To my beautiful husband, Matt. I am the happiest when I am with you. You make me feel so beautiful, so cherished, so loved. I can't wait until we are the old couple sitting on the swing on the front porch! Love, Jennifer



Come on down to the Goodland Star News office today, and we will help you make the perfect Valentine's Day gift for that special someone. For only \$14, this is the perfect way to say what's on your mind! Tell that special someone just how much you care about them! (AD DEADLINE IS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2008)

Invitation to Bid

2007 CFP Kitchen Modernizations at the Family Site for the Goodland Housing Authority

Bid date:..... March 13th, 2008
Bid time:..... 1:00 PM Mountain Time (MST)
Bid place:..... Goodland Housing Authority
515 E. 5th Street
Goodland, KS 67735
Pre-Bid Meeting (attendance mandatory)
Date:..... **March 5th, 2008**
Time:..... 9:00 AM MST
Place:..... GHA Offices in Sparks Towers

The Goodland Housing Authority will receive sealed bids for Kitchen Modernization Work referenced above. The work includes **removal and replacement of kitchen cabinets, plumbing fixtures, electrical fixtures**, and other items as indicated at the Family Site that is located at the corner of 4th and Grand Street. Please note that all bidders shall attend the Pre-Bid Meeting and shall verify that they have inspected the existing site conditions prior to submitting their bid.

For all construction and equipment contracts over \$25,000, the bidder shall be required to submit a negotiable bid guarantee not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid.

For information concerning the proposed work, contact Richard Zingre' at Zingre and Associates, P.A. 1019 Scott Ave., Fort Scott, KS 66701, (620) 223-6030. Plans and specifications are available as follows: To receive a printed set of plans and specs, send a check for \$35.00 made out to Zingre and Associates, P.A., to the office of Zingre' and Associates. This is a non-refundable purchase. Electronic versions of the plans and specs are available by e-mail for free.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and waive irregularity in bidding. The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible bid if reasonable, and if it is in the interest of the Goodland Housing Authority to accept it.

The Goodland Housing Authority is an EOE.