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History Teachers, Students, Parents

By Dr. Jim Haas

The most prominent sculpture in the U.S. Capitol's Statuary Hall is of Clio, the ancient Greek Muse of history, writing the record of government deliberations. Political history was fashionable a century and more ago but is just one facet of the past that has shaped the present. Some teachers (and textbooks) focus on economic history while others emphasize social structures, the power of ideas, the role of religions, artistic/architectural expressions, or scientific and technological developments. Cultural historians like me see all of these as essential. It takes years of study and teaching experience to become competent.

History is about change—societies constantly evolving in ways foreseen and unforeseen—and students are entitled to an accurate picture of the past supported by

evidence. Shaped by the past, they deserve to know how and why.

Some disagree, including far-right politicians, desperate for votes, stoking fear about Critical Race Theory (CRT), claiming that what is taught to children should be up to parents (By that logic, you or I should tell our physician what treatment to prescribe for an ailment). CRT is a complex approach to social inequities focusing on the law and other institutions and often holding that there is only one race, the human race. CRT is a topic in a few law schools and Ph.D. programs but has little credibility among scholars generally and isn't taught in K-12 schools. It's fake news; teachers haven't the time to wander into that wilderness.

On the other hand, race has been a significant part of our history from slavery and the appalling treatment of Native Americans to restrictions on Asian immigration, Jim



Crow laws, voter suppression, real estate redlining, and more. History purged of race is not just incomplete; it's dishonest.

Those mostly white parents who want to dictate school curricula seem to feel that race and gender issues could make their kids feel uncomfortable or even guilty. No teacher wants to dump guilt on students, and after seven decades of being white and six of learning about the long history of slavery and white supremacy, I've never felt guilty; those evils weren't my fault and I take no responsibility for any ancestors' behavior. I *am* responsible for teaching the whole truth and nothing but the truth according to the evidence and for trying to undo today's injustices when I can. If I don't try, I *should* feel guilty. Basic citizenship.

Age matters, and eight-year-olds are not like high-schoolers. Youngsters deserve the truth as much as older students, but more gingerly so as not to alarm them with the uglier parts of our past. Older students can handle it and, being of or near voting age, need to know the worst as well as the best of their America.

Homicide Rate Shows Decrease

By Murrel Bland

The good news for those who watch crime statistics in Kansas City, Kansas, is that the homicide rate has decreased from 58 during 2020 to 51 during 2021.

One of the more significant concerns of the Kansas City, Kansas, Police Department is staffing. Maj. Dustin Dungan, who recently reported to the Midtown and West Patrol Police Advisory Committee, said the police force has 369 officers authorized but only has 316 serving now; there are 25 prospective officers in training.

Maj. Dungan said the Police Department hopes that a grant will be awarded to the Department that will add license plate readers at various additional locations; presently there are about ten such readers in Kansas City, Kansas.

Maj. Dungan had praise for Village West merchants who were very cooperative with police in apprehending shoplifters.

The West Patrol building at 1011 N. 80th Ter. has been remodeled and will host the Advisory Committee meetings starting at 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 24.

In a related announcement, Police Chief Karl Oakman said the Department will have a new cold case unit; Capt. Angela Garrison will lead the unit. Chief Oakman said there are about 285 such cases that deserve a fresh review. He said DNA and other such forensic testing may have not be available when the crime was committed.

Murrel Bland is the former editor and *The Wyandotte West* and *The Piper Press*. He is an advisory director of Business West.

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Sue's Sudsy Soapbox



By Sue Reich

Betty White, she almost made it didn't she? Gosh darn, she was quite the gal. I watched her special the other night. I laughed and cried, cried and laughed. To tell you the truth, she sure reminded me of my mom. My mom was witty, pretty, big eyes, bleached her hair until it turned silver, talented, sharp, flirty, lovable. everything Betty was. When I was watching Betty, YEP, that's my mom. If anyone knew my mom, you would know what I mean.

Here we go again, that BIG BLIZ-ZARD hit us. Yep, it was predicted and we got it. We did?

Hey, you "oldies but goodies", re-

member this? We walked to school, never had busses, we walked home for lunch, the snow was as tall as us, but we did it. We weren't spoiled.

But we have to remember, we didn't have idgets going around shooting everyone because of their gender, their race, their political party. We were safe and if a kid did something wrong the whole neighborhood knew about it, especially our parents. If a child got kidnapped or murdered, they took care of the person that did it. Good grief, how times have changed. What is normal anymore? Everyone has security alarms; doorbells that talk to whomever is at your door, two-way windows, cameras that light up the whole area, we are quarantined, don't hug, don't kiss, don't spend Christmas together, don't go to proms, but — aren't those sports arenas packed?

Remember the cardboard people they use to put in the seats to make it look like an audience? Duh! Who did they think they were fooling? Phony cheers, phony cheerleaders. Were they on springs??? That would have been funny. It is a shame that people have to spend the last years of their lives in a house that needs sanitized all the time. I have lived this long and now I have to give up my clown troop, my Santa visits to the kids, trick or treat, my domino group, half of my family, funerals, get shots, get boosters, don't fly, shop 100 feet apart, follow the arrows, sanitize your kitchen, your toilets, your counters, can't sit in to dine, (most places), nothing on the tables or booths if you are let to sit in. Hey, this will all be over in a few months. OH NO! Another virus came from goats or whatever. Just kiddin' Gotta joke with someone, may as well be you all. I really miss seeing my buddies when we clowned around, when we played dominoes, when we worked in the garden in Turner, got to go to movies and be normal people. Normal? Don't even remember what normal is anymore.

I have something else to tell you about my wonderful, gorgeous, sweet, thoughtful daughter-in-law. I think I told you she was #1 in Chefs

Class of 140 students, this was all online. One day, she brought over a week's supply of food she cooked and let me tell you it all was so delicious. I could not have gotten through all of this if it hadn't been for her. She helps me with a lot of stuff. She and my son have to be my saviors. Anyway, guess I will get off of my sudsy soapbox and wind this down.

Luvya all, really do. Please come

to the community garden at 55th and Inland, and go see the DEPOT where the doctor used to be across from Turner First Baptist Church. But the way, Steve Neal, the pastor and his lovely wife have scads of everything in the basement of their church. They are great people. Food, clothes, furniture, you need it, they got it.

Get your shots, be kind, behave. Your ol' Argentine gal, Sue.

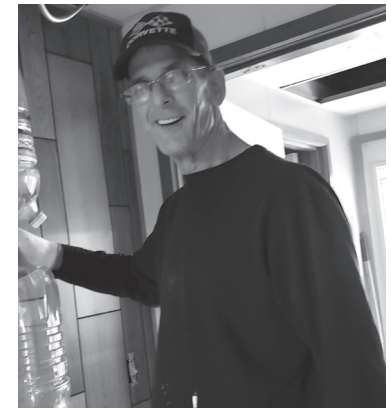
Rosedale Growing

By Sue Reich

The garden in Rosedale is beginning to rent out their garden plots on South Early. They are just as anxious as we are to get this nasty weather over with. Limited tools can be requested during growing season. contact Juanise Oliver at juanise@rosedale.org for more information. The townsite of Rosedale is going to celebrate their history at the Wyandotte Historical Museum at the end of June. A new member is welcomed to the RDA board. She has professional experience and impact. Good luck Leslie Martinez. Financial assistance available to Rosedale renters and businesses. A lot has been lost because of Covid going on its third year. They are able to receive up to \$10,000 in grant funds. Two new programs are being offered to Rosedale residents. One is "Coffee and Conversation." on the first Thursday of every month, also learning classes for adults. Rosedale has gone through hard times as we all have. Good luck, neighbor!



Jim Jarsulic is a hardworking dude that puts in a lot of hours in the Turner "DEPOT". He is holding a UG clock that was donated to them by a certain reporter.



This is Todd Preator, another "Jack of all trades." that puts in many hours at the DEPOT in Turner. This is a see-thru beehive for the indoors. We are able to see how bees are active in their hive. Can't hardly wait.



Calvin Hoover is another "Jack of all trades". These super guys really deserve a big hand.



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By Sharon Hoover

First off, I want to thank Tom Valverde for his recipes for peanut butter fudge. They were so simple even I could make them as my culinary skills leave a lot to be desired. I made the simplest recipe and between my husband and I had it eaten in two days. Great for the taste buds, not so great for the

Comin' & Goin' Turner Style

waistline. But it was yummy. On to future events and opportunities:

The National Agricultural Hall of Fame is holding its second 2022 Farm Tales event on February 17, 2022. This is for youngsters from three to six years of age and will run from 10:30 -11:30am. The little ones will hear a story "I am Abraham Lincoln" by Brad Meltzer. They will discover how presidents made farming & food better for everyone, see charcoal pencils like Abraham Lincoln used and learn what he had to do with canned vegetables. Also, they will create presidential farm books and presidential hats', build a yummy log cabin, and play the game "Where do we see the Presidents"? Pre-registration is required, call 913-721-1075.

Job opportunities exist with the Wyandotte County Developmental Disabilities Organization. No experience is required. You will be trained. Full and part time positions are available with various ranges of pay. A retiree looking for supplemental income or a college student looking for experience in social work might want to check this out. If interested, call 913 573-5502 or wcedd@wycokck.org.

Rosedale Development Association is now taking applications for community garden plots at 2300 S. Early. Plot fee is \$15 for the season. Call 913 677-5097 or info@rosedale.org.

I have been getting requests for the plots at the Turner Community Garden. We do not accept applications until April 1 and preference

is given to 2021 plot owners first. They will be contacted in March, once confirmed, any open plots will be offered on a first come, first serve basis. I'll be addressing this in a later issue.

A mysterious island is the setting for the novel "Reckless Girls" by Rachel Hawkins. I've had this book on my radar for several months and it was just published in January. "It is the perfect destination for the most adventurous traveler to escape everything except the truth..." Six visitors looking to get away from civilization, find the island is not exactly what they expected. One goes missing, another found dead, and what does this mean for the remaining friends? Enjoyed it immensely.

Until next time, stay safe, and be kind to those around you.



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SENATE NEWS



By Sen. Pat Pettey

After lots of behind-the-scenes work followed by a robust floor debate on redistricting last week, the Kansas Senate calmed down quite a bit this week. Committees continued to meet and hold hearings on legislation; the body convened to pass four bills and approve seven gubernatorial appointments; and members were given the opportunity to celebrate leaders in their communities in the Senate chamber.

On Wednesday, the 2022 Kansas

Teacher of the Year and the Kansas Regional Teachers of the Year were honored by senators representing their home districts including Amanda Ketterling, Bonner Springs Elementary Library Media Specialist. You can watch those speeches here.

Each of these educators is innovative in their teaching and classroom management, and works to improve their students' lives in big and small ways. I'm glad we had an opportunity to celebrate them in the Legislature this week, and know that our Kansas Teacher of the Year, Susanne Stevenson, 4th Grade Teacher at Beeson Elementary in Dodge City, will represent us well as she conducts workshops across

the state for our schools.

Also on Wednesday, Senators Oletha Faust-Goudeau, Marci Francisco, and David Haley recognized the work of Oscar winner and University of Kansas professor of Film & Media Studies Kevin Willmott.



Born and raised in Junction City, Professor Willmott received his BA in Drama from Marymount College in Salina. He returned home after his studies and worked as a peace and civil rights activist, fighting for the rights of the poor, creating two Catholic Worker shelters for the homeless, and forcing the integration of several long-standing segregated institutions. He received his MFA in Dramatic Writing from the Tisch School of the Arts at NYU, and has written and directed a number of films, including C.S.A.: The Confederate States of America, The Only Good Indian, and Jayhawkers. He shares an Academy Award for Best Adapted Screenplay with Spike Lee for their work on the 2018 film BlacKkKlansman.

The Senate did not meet on Friday, so we celebrated Kansas Day early on Thursday. My friend Senator Jeff Pittman helped lead the chamber in song with a rousing rendition of Home on the Range. The Office of Rural Prosperity has created a To The Stars toolkit to help you celebrate Kansas Day this weekend.

Some committee work to keep an eye on:

• **FOOD SALES TAX:** The Senate Committee on Assessment and Taxation will have hearings on Tuesday, February 1, on SB 339 and SB 342. Both bills address the state

food sales tax. I am a sponsor of SB 342, which is our plan to Axe the Food Tax. I will be watching the discussion on both of these bills to identify the differences and opportunities for a bipartisan solution that can deliver relief to Kansas families once and for all.

• **VACCINE REQUIREMENTS:** A bill prohibiting COVID-19 vaccination requirements for Kansas National Guard members will receive a hearing in the Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs on Monday, January 31.

• **RIGHTS OF BLIND PARENTS:** My friend Senator Mary Ware has worked hard to advocate for blind parents' rights. SB 276, which has a hearing in the Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare on Tuesday, February 1, would ensure that a parent's blindness could not serve as a basis for denial or restriction of legal custody, residency, or parenting time when such legal custody, residency or parenting time is determined to be otherwise in the best interests of the child

THE FIGHT FOR IVERMECTIN: Senator Mark Steffen – who is currently under investigation by the Kansas Board of Healing Arts and is one of the top anti-mask, anti-vax COVID-19 skeptics in the Kansas Legislature – can continue bucking scientific consensus and established medical best practices with SB 381. The bill would allow for the prescribing and dispensing of medications for off-label use to prevent and treat COVID-19 infections and takes away pharmacists ability to question proper medication. The bill will most likely pass out of Public Health & Welfare Committee. I do not support SB 381.

DRONE DELIVERY: The Senate Committee on Transportation will have hearings on SB 379, which provides for the use and regulation of autonomous motor vehicles.

I am honored to serve you in Topeka. My office number is 125E. I welcome your input on any of these issues. Please feel free to contact me at 785-296-7375 or pat.pettesy@senate.ks.gov.

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REDISTRICTING UPDATE

The Ad Astra 2 map passed out of the Kansas House on Tuesday by a vote of 79 to 37. It now heads to Governor Kelly's desk for her signature or a veto.

I made clear my issues with this map last week when we debated it on the Senate floor: it very clearly dilutes the voting power of a majority-minority county, and accounts for an influx of Democratic votes in the 2nd District by shifting its most diverse city – Lawrence – to a primarily rural district. This is partisan gerrymandering, plain and simple, and the impact on the minority vote in our state is likely unconstitutional.

FREE N95 MASKS

Free N95 masks rolled out of pharmacies this past week. The Biden Administration issued 400 million free non-surgical N95 masks to stop the spread of COVID-19. The program is fully up and running. Most retailers joined with the Federal Retail Pharmacy Program for COVID-19 Vaccination in the distribution of the free N95 masks. They included CVS, Walgreens, Kroger, Publix, Walmart and Sam's Club.

SPARK ASKS KANSANS FOR AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN INVESTMENT IDEAS

The Strengthening People and Revitalizing Kansas (SPARK) Executive Committee is inviting Kansans to share their investment ideas for the allocation of federal coronavirus relief funds allocated to Kansas through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of March 2021.

This provides a chance for Kansans to make their voice heard as we rebuild our economy and recover from the impacts of COVID-19. The SPARK Executive Committee oversees the development of recommendations for the distribution of ARPA State Fiscal Recovery Funds (SFRF), assisted by the four SPARK Advisory Panels: Health & Education, Economic Revitalization, Connectivity, and Efficiency & Modernization. The

SPARK Executive Committee then presents recommendations to the State Finance Council to distribute the SFRF allocated to the State of Kansas.

The online submission form for proposing a SPARK investment idea is available here. Currently, SPARK is requesting proposals for program-level investments. The four Advisory Panels may consider these submissions as part of the process to determine investment priorities and make recommendations to the SPARK Executive Committee. Advisory Panels will begin meeting in the coming weeks.

Interested parties are instructed to complete the submission form in its entirety. The submission period will close on February 16, 2022.

Once submitted, investment ideas will be available for review by Advisory Panel members. By submitting an investment idea, interested parties acknowledge that SPARK staff may follow up with them for additional details. Submission does not guarantee assignment to or further consideration by an Advisory Panel and that additional information will not be reviewed unless requested.

Interested parties are also encouraged to familiarize themselves on allowable uses of SFRF. An overview of the Treasury Department's Final Rule summarizing eligibility provisions for using SFRF can be found here, while the entire Final Rule is available here. Please note that not all investment ideas will fit within the allowable uses of SFRF.

An FAQ document on the submission form is available here. If there are any questions on completing the submission form, please contact SPARKTaskForce@ks.gov.

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Quotes To Ponder

By Tom Valverde

“The further a society drifts from the Truth, the more it will hate those who speak it.”

*Eric Arthur Blair, Novelist
AKA, George Orwell
Author, “1984,” written in 1949.*

“Orwellian” is an adjective describing a situation, idea, or, societal condition, that George Orwell identified as being, “Destructive to the welfare of a free and open society.”

“Orwellian dystopia,” denotes an attitude and a brutal policy of draconian, societal control typified by such measures as, propaganda, (alternative facts), personal surveillance, disinformation, denial of facts or truth, being entirely dismissive of scientific findings, and manipulation of past events, ie., there's a constant updating of history to suit present circumstances and shifting alliances.

In an Orwellian society, responsibility and accountability, fairness and decency are out in favor of a chaotic and misinformed society. In government, actions and steps are taken to impose impediments to voters as are counter-measures and newly drafted laws, designed to assure their own party's electoral victory. Such moves are meant to negate the will of the people; winning, at any cost is desired. In such circumstances, “Winning,” takes priority over governance, and it replaces the regular responsibility of those in power to provide for the greater good.

George Orwell identified the willing collusion in hatred that organizations in such societies employ. Factions of society are bound in their hatred of the “Other,” persons who do not have the same beliefs or values as themselves. Leaders of factions use a “System of propaganda,” to distort a person's thinking by blind ideologies.

Having people who support without asking questions is good in such factions. People willingly accept living in an alternative reality, where they are told what to believe. They no longer distinguish right from wrong and are on a path that ultimately leads to censorship and tyranny.

Shortly after completion this article, there appears on You Tube, an interview with Brendan O 'Neill, a writer for the online news site, SPIKE.

Mr. O 'Neill spoke of an opinion he had written on universities placing a “trigger warning,” on the George Orwell classic, “1984.” These are some selected comments: “You really couldn't make this stuff up! North Hampton University here in England, has slapped a trigger warning on “1984,” the most famous novel ever written about censorship -- now comes with a content warning for students, in case they find it offensive or in case they're upset (by the contents).”

“It's so deliciously ironic that Orwellianism is now coming to Orwell himself! I think it really sums up how hysterical and unhinged wokeness has become. It's so lacking in self-awareness and so distrustful of ordinary people, that they're slapping a warning on “1984,” of all books!”

“It really is absolutely preposterous that young students are being told that these classic works of English literature (Shakespeare, Bronte, Dickens and now, Orwell), are potentially offensive and potentially dangerous.

That is no way to encourage students to learn, to read, and to appreciate the wonders of English literature.” Welcome to the 21st Century, where Orwellian is part of everyday reality.

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Learning, by its nature, is “uncomfortable.” New ideas lead us to question our beliefs and attitudes because the whole point of learning is to change; to become a better, wiser, more open-minded person.

Children are not their parents’ property, and while we try to raise our kids with what we believe are good values, as they mature, they have the right to think for themselves. We need to eventually cut the apron strings.

The teacher’s job is to help students understand the variety of human experiences so they can choose from a “marketplace of ideas.” It’s called freedom.

Thirty years ago, some questioned teaching biological evolution. When a principal, I met with a father who objected to it in our science courses and claimed others in the community did as well. The conversation ended when he asked the ultimate question: “Well, what community decides?” The answer was easy: “The community of scholars.” It was a *school*, after all.

Keep Your Pets Safe During This Week’s Extreme Winter Weather

The Humane Society of Missouri’s Animal Medical Center of Mid-America shares

important safety tips to ensure pets are kept warm and safe during this extreme winter weather

Over the last few days, Missouri has seen temperatures well below freezing that can be life-threatening to pets. During this extreme winter weather, the Humane Society of Missouri is reminding everyone to prioritize the safety of their pets and urges pet owners to remember our lifesaving motto: 35 Degrees and Below, Protect Fido!

Remember these six tips to protect pets in extreme temperatures:

1. Bring pets inside: Pets cannot be outside for long periods of time in this weather. The common misconception that fur protects pets in cold weather is just that, a misconception! Just like people, cats and dogs are susceptible to hypothermia and frostbite and should not be left outside in the cold for prolonged periods of time, no matter the circumstance.

2. Provide a cozy space: If there are no other options and animals are going to be left outdoors, owners must provide a well-insulated, draft-free, appropriately sized doghouse with a sturdy, flexible covering to prevent icy winds from entering. Adequate shelter is mandatory by law.

3. Press “paws” on pet injuries: Upon coming inside, check your animal’s paws for signs of cold-weather damage, such as a cracked paw pad, redness between toes and any bleeding, as well as chemicals such as rock salt.

4. Layer up your pup: If your dog has a thinner coat or seems bothered by cooler temperatures, consider a sweater or a dog coat. But be careful – a wet sweater or coat can actually make your dog colder, so keep it dry.

5. Schedule a winter wellness exam: If your pet has not visited the veterinarian for their annual wellness exam, don’t delay. Cold weather may worsen certain medical conditions such as arthritis, so bring your pets into the vet right away!

If you see an animal in distress, call your local police and the Humane Society of Missouri Animal Cruelty Hotline immediately at (314) 647-4400. For more information on how to care for your pets during cold weather months, visit the Humane Society of Missouri website at www.hsmo.org/protectfido

TOM’S TASTY TREATS

By Tom Valverde

A tasty treat that is just right for Valentine’s day is a rich, homemade, chocolate cake with pink buttercream frosting! Can’t you just taste it? So good! Well, it’s not difficult at all and you will impress the special person or persons in your life with this luscious cake.

Since it’s Valentine’s day, go ahead and serve it with a scoop of French Vanilla ice cream! Treat yourself and your loved ones with:

VALENTINE’S DAY CHOCOLATE CAKE

Ingredients:

1/2 c Dark Chocolate chips
1/3 c Boiling Water
3/4 c Butter at room temperature
1 1/2 c Sugar
3 Lg. Eggs
1 1/2 t Vanilla
1 1/2 c Flour
3 T Cocoa
1/2 t Baking Powder
3/4 t Baking Soda
1/2 t Salt
3/4 c Whole Buttermilk

Frosting:

3/4 c Butter
4 1/2 c Powdered Sugar
1 1/2 t Vanilla
1/4 t Salt

1 Drop Red Liquid food coloring, Or 1 or 2 Drops Pink Gel coloring
Garnishes: Select one or two, Mini Chocolate chips, White Chocolate chips, Chopped Pecans, Heart shaped Decors, Red or Pink Sprinkles or Sanding Sugar. Special equipment, 2 Heart shaped cake pans, optional or 2 Square cake pans.

Set oven to 350°. Line the pans with parchment paper, then grease and flour the pans. Place the dark chocolate chips in a heat-proof bowl then pour the boiling water over. Stir until melted and smooth. Leave to cool 15 minutes.

In a mixer, cream the butter and sugar until light and fluffy, about 4 minutes, beat in the eggs, one at a time. Scrape down bowl, as needed. Add the Vanilla and the cooled melted chocolate. Beat until well blended.

In a medium bowl, combine and whisk together the flour, cocoa, baking powder, baking soda, and salt. On low speed, gradually add the flour mixture alternating with the buttermilk. Beat just until blended. Pour the batter into the cake pans. Bake at 350° for 22-24 minutes. Test for doneness with a wooden pick. Leave cakes to cool for 15 minutes, then invert onto wire cooling racks. Leave cakes to completely cool, about 1 hour.

Prepare the frosting. Sift the powdered sugar into the bowl of a mixer. Add the butter, Vanilla and salt and beat on low speed to mix. Increase mixer speed to medium high and beat until fluffy. This takes 3-4 minutes. Beat in the food coloring. It really only takes a single drop of the red liquid food coloring in order to make pink frosting, use more and the color will be off.

Frost the cakes and decorate with choice of garnishes. If using a square pan, form a heart in the center of the cake with Whole pecans or fill a heart shape with red sanding sugar. Or tint some of the frosting red and use to form the heart and write, “Be Mine,” in its center.

This cake tastes even better than it looks. Serve with whipped cream or Vanilla ice cream. Candy cherries would make a nice topping as would a drizzle over the dessert plate of some chocolate fudge sauce.

Mouthwatering good! Hope you have a happy Valentine’s day. Enjoy!

LEGAL PUBLICATION

**MBE / WBE
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JE Dunn has been preselected to bid the KCKPS 2016 Bond – KCKPS WP 14-Bethel Early Childhood Center Renovation. This project is a 23,000 SF renovation of the existing elementary school. Project is located at 7850 Yecker Ave., Kansas City, KS 66109. Work includes renovation of the existing administration area to include a front secured entry. Existing classrooms will have exterior doors added and receive new flooring and casework. Exterior scopes include new sidewalk and repair to existing parking lot. Work will start in May 2022 and the building will be open for students in 2023. MBE/WBE participation is encouraged.

Bidding Documents may also be viewed and/or obtained electronically at

www.buildingconnected.com. Bids will be received until 2:00 PM on 02/22/2022 by JE Dunn at Kansas City Kansas Public Schools District Office, 2010 N. 59th Street, Kansas City, KS, 66104. Please direct all Bids to the attention of Camryn Hays. Bids can also be submitted via Building Connected, with the exception, of demolition, masonry, carpentry, and concrete, which must be delivered in a sealed envelope.

A Pre-bid Walk Thru will be held on site at 9:00 AM on 02/15/2022 for the purpose of answering any questions from prospective Bidders regarding the Scopes of Work on the Project. Attendance is strongly recommended. No other Pre-Bid Conference will be held. The address for the Pre-bid Walk Thru is 7850 Yecker Ave., Kansas City, KS 66109. If you have any questions please email Camryn Hays at Camryn.hays@jedunn.com.

Bid Opening will start at 2:00 PM. on February 22, 2022 via

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TO BID**

JE Dunn has been preselected to bid the Main Bid Packages for Raymore-Peculiar 2021 Bond - Ninth Grade Center project. Overall project is a ground up construction of a new 9th Grade Center for the freshman of Ray-Pec School District. Project is located next to existing East Middle School in Raymore, MO. Project will include classrooms, music room, Gym/locker rooms, cafeteria, and main entry. Building skin will be precast concrete panels (both architectural & structural), curtainwall, storefront, metal panels and masonry. Sitework will include new parking lots and a connection to the existing drive lane at the middle school. Work will start in Spring 2022 and building will be open for classes in Fall 2023. MBE/WBE participation is encouraged.

Bidding Documents for the Early Package may also be viewed and/or obtained electronically at

www.buildingconnected.com Bids for the Main Package will be received until 2:00 PM on 02/24/2022 electronically on Building Connected. Please direct all Bids to the attention of Molly Lyons. Bids can also be submitted by hand at Raymore-Peculiar School District at 21005 S. School Road, Peculiar, MO 64078.

A Pre-bid Conference will be held 02/14/2022 for the purpose of answering any questions from prospective Bidders regarding the Main Package Scopes of Work on the Project. Location and time of the pre-bid conference are TBD and will be issued

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via addendum. Attendance is strongly recommended. No other Pre-Bid Conference will be held.

Bid Opening will start at 2:00 PM. on February 24, 2022, via YouTube if you would like to join.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmvxertsjnZp2jLC-UOQIXkA>

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**INVITATION
FOR BIDS:**

The Board of Education, Unified School District No. 500, Kansas City, KS will accept sealed bids for: IFB 22-005 Asbestos Abatement – Bethel Elementary

Sealed bids should be addressed to: Purchasing Department, Board of Education, 2010 N. 59th Street, Room 370, Kansas City, KS 66104 - IFB No. 22-005 Asbestos Abatement – Bethel Elementary

Pre-Bid Conference/Site Visit: 02/18/2022 @ 3PM – Bethel Elementary, 7850 Yecker Avenue, Kansas City, KS 66109

Bids will be opened: 02/25/2022 @ 2PM in the Purchasing Office.

Bid Documents are available online at <https://vrapp.vendorregistry.com/Bids/View/BidsList?BuyerId=c00af89d-f6af-4f0e-b823-f145c898cc06>

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Passings...

By Sue Reich

Connie(Tyrer) Jo Dunn, age 61, passed away on January 24, 2022 of Covid. She was a 1979 graduate of JC Harmon High School.

Sheryl (McNett) Rodriguez, age 56, passed away on January 27, 2022. She was a 1965 graduate of Turner High School.

Donald Smarker, age 82, passed away on January 28, 2022. Graduate of Wyandotte High School, and member of the United State Marine Corps. He was employed at Proctor and Gamble for 35 years, retiring in 1996.

Homer Routh, 86, passed away on January 28, 2022. Graduate of Argentine High school, class of 1954. Member of the US Coast Guard from 1954-1958.

Howard Hesseman, age 81, passed away on January 29, 2022. Known for playing the character, Johnny Fever, on the TV show WKRP Cincinnati.

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