



# The Record

## Governor Announces Estimated \$3.5 Million in Grants to Assist Kansas Childcare Programs

TOPEKA –Governor Laura Kelly today announced that Childcare Aware of Kansas, in partnership with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) and the Kansas Office of Recovery, has launched a new Childcare Health Consultant Network to provide technical assistance to licensed childcare providers as they implement COVID-19 health and safety guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

After working directly with a consultant to assess the environment, childcare programs are eligible to apply for grant funding to purchase supplies or make adaptations to home or center-based facilities. Childcare Aware of Kansas anticipates providing \$3.5 million in grants and supplies.

“Through the assistance and funding provided to Kansas childcare providers by the Childcare Health Consultant Network, we will not only protect the health and safety of our childcare workers and kids, but also ensure that centers can stay open throughout the duration of the pandemic,” Governor Laura Kelly said. “These grants will help ensure working parents have access to safe, healthy childcare facilities and continue to strengthen our economy and keep businesses open. I want to thank Childcare Aware of Kansas, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, and the Office of Recovery for their innovative approach to fulfilling this need.”

The Childcare Health Consultant Network comes at a critical time for Kansas’ childcare system. A recent study by Yale University showed that childcare settings were not associated with increased risks of COVID-19 infections provided that appropriate health and safety measures were taken. Kansas’ Childcare Health Consultants work with childcare providers to implement the most current guidance from the CDC and KDHE.

With the first phase of implementation for the Childcare Health Consultant Network nearing completion, Childcare Aware of Kansas and state partners are now shifting their attention to long-term sustainability of the Network. In addition to supporting healthy and safe childcare settings, Childcare Health Consultants will play a crucial role in protecting and promoting the health growth and development of children and their families.

“The Childcare Health Consultant Network is a critical support for childcare programs that are working hard to ensure that children are safe and healthy in the midst of the pandemic. We work with providers to assess the childcare environment and ensure that health and safety measures are in place,” said Kelly Davydov, Executive Director. “Childcare is essential to a thriving Kansas economy, and families want to know that their children are cared for in a safe, nurturing environment. We’re doing everything we can to ensure that this support continues to be available for childcare programs.”

“The global pandemic placed a considerable amount of uncertainty into my day-to-day that I had not expected at the beginning of the year,” said Dawn Chapman, owner and operator of The Nature and Nurture Spot in Gardner, Kansas. “With the help of the Childcare Health Consultant Network, I’ve been able to purchase the supplies I need to help ensure the safety of the children I care for every day.”

To date, 415 childcare programs have requested consultations.

For more information about the Childcare Health Consultant Network, visit <https://ks.childcareaware.org/child-care-health-consultant-network/>.

## “Welcome Back, America”

By Dr. Jim Haas

The headline is the message sent to all of us by the mayor of Paris celebrating the election of Joe Biden and Kamala Harris as President and Vice President. They won the popular vote by more than four million, a million+ more than Hillary Clinton’s 2016 margin, and the electoral vote by well more than the necessary 270. It’s especially fitting that exactly one hundred years after



women were guaranteed the right to vote, a woman will become the powerful partner leading the nation. My Wife the English Teacher is excited about that and happy that we will have Joe’s Wife the English Teacher as First Lady.

More than 150 million Americans voted, about 67 percent of those eligible and the largest proportion since William McKinley won in 1900. More voters mean more involvement, more democracy, and more power to the people. Minnesota, Colorado, and New Hampshire had the best turnouts, with 81, 78, and 77 percent respectively. Kansas turnout was 64 percent, with Johnson County having about 82 percent and Wyandotte County about 67. Johnson County made history by voting for a Democratic presidential candidate for the first time since Woodrow Wilson in 1916.

History was made, too, in Sun Belt states that voted Democratic for the first time in decades or ever: Arizona, home to conservative icons Barry Goldwater and John McCain, and Georgia, where two runoff elections in January will decide control of the Senate. Texas didn’t choose Biden but came close as did North Carolina.

In spite of pre-election jitters about mail-in votes swamping the Postal Service, Russian interference, social media misinformation, gun-toting domestic terrorists, and other potential threats, the election was calm and orderly. Lines at some polling places were too long and counting took longer than usual in a few states, but officials worked through the nights and got the job done. It was an impressive display of democracy and of good government in action.

One striking difference between Biden voters and Trump voters, according to a survey just before the election, is their view of what is most important: controlling the coronavirus (79 % of Biden voters) or opening the economy (71% of Trump voters). The two are actually one issue: businesses and schools can’t open safely until we control the virus.

It’s spreading quickly. Last Sunday, the U.S. had 126,000 new cases, the most since the pandemic began. Reversing this trend will be a top priority of the new Administration, and they’re wasting no time: their virus task force has been appointed and began Monday developing a plan based on science and experience. It will go into effect January 20.

Another top priority will be rebuilding a sense of national unity weakened by a Republican Party and president who chose a divide-and-conquer strategy to preserve their power. Biden has said he intends to be president of all the people, “those who voted for me and those who didn’t,” and he is well known as a master of compromise and honest dealing. “Our opponents are not our enemies. They’re Americans.”

And what of Trump? He and his gang of convicted felons, other cronies, and inept children are, to borrow a term from college basketball, “one and done.” The last episode of the White House unreality show is almost over, and some Republican politicians are now changing the channel. Trump will continue his old act in his last weeks and may yet do more damage, but he’ll become less relevant with each passing day. I can already imagine his presidential library: a single flash drive filled with angry tweets, forgotten in a dusty drawer at one of his failing properties.

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## Sue's Sudsy Soapbox By: Sue Reich



**D**id you notice on Halloween night there was a full moon? Made it kinda eerie. Nice time for a full moon too. There were no trick or treaters here. We hardly ever have any here anyway. A lot of people had invented all kinds of ways to give their little spooky kids their treat. Sure was a neat idea. My dad was quite the inventor of things like that. He made our front porch into a haunted house at 11th and Metropolitan in Argentine. Kids in the neighborhood loved coming there. Each step to the porch buzzed, lights flashed, we had a "gut buffet" and they would put their hands in and it would feel like eyeballs, guts, all kinds of weird things. A lot of kids that are still around remember our front porch on Halloween. On 4th of July, he made a cannon and we would drop our firecrackers in and it was aimed at the Kaw river. KaBoom!!!! It really echoed over the river. Bet they could hear it in Armourdale. He had quite an imagination. Didn't have to have DIY books or computer stuff. He could put anything together. Built a lot of crystal radios, just about anything a kid could ask for. Made us snow skis so we could ski down the little hill in our backyard, stilts, you name it, he would make it. The only thing I remember he made that almost killed one of my younger twin sisters and I, was a swing set. He worked at the KCK Structural Steel company in Argentine and they were allowed to bring scrap iron home. So, he built us a 2 swing, swing set. Really neat one too. I had Carolyn on my lap facing me and we really had that swing going. All of a sudden, clankity, clank, pipes started falling everywhere. I can still hear it, see it and even feel it. There

we were in a tangled mass of pipes and chain and wooden seats. Luckily, we weren't injured but later as we talked about it, we had a good laugh about it.

I was pretty protective when it came to my younger twin sisters. Always tried things out before they did it. One time there was a creek and my folks, and the twins and I tried to catch crawdads out of it. I told them, "let me wade in first before you get in." Rolled up my jeans to my knees, stepped in and went down to my neck. My mom really laughed her heinie off. But they were always my real baby dolls. Sure miss my three sisters.

Well, it won't be long, and Thanksgiving will be here. I am not going to go all out for it. Just Mr. Ed and I. Christmas won't be the same with this virus going on. Sure cuts down the shopping. We, our Domino Dottes are going to get together for a pre-Thanksgiving "mingle." We don't play dominoes but still like to visit. Love those people, like I have mentioned before. Don't know what we would do without each other. Right guys?

Say, have any of you seen that toilet paper made out of bamboo? What the? You know, we get soooo much junk mail and that irritates me because of the trees that are being cut down and hopefully they use that junk mail for toilet paper. As long as they don't start using cactus. lol. Listen, I want to tell all of you, pleeeeee wash your hands and use lots and lots of sanitizer. This is so important. The Sterner\ Larson clan lost a woman in our family a couple of weeks ago to the Covid19. She went to AHS and lived in Raymore. So sad. Wear a mask, sanitize your steering wheel in your car. Carry bottles of it in your car, your purse, put a sign on your front door. I want all of you to get through this stuff. I heard there is supposed to be another wave of it coming. Turner high school has been hit with it and Oak Grove grade school. Hope you all mind your p's and q's, sleep tight. From your little ol' gal from Argentine, Sue.

"A friend can make anything better just by being there". "Sharing laughter, sharing

tears, sharing triumphs, sharing fears, growing closer, through the years, true friendship is forever." from, *At the Heart of Friendship*

## Campaign for Murdered Students of JC Harmon

By: Sue Reich

I found out some more info about the campaign for students that are being murdered that attended JC Harmon. When I get more info, I will certainly put it in *The Record*. I really think it is quite important that this campaign gets the job done and we will not lose any more of our students from Harmon.

When I worked there, there was only one murdered stu-

dent but, in these days, now, every time we turn around, there is one being killed by some idget with a gun. Most of these killings are because of drugs, drugs lead to money, money leads to murder. I told our DA of WyCo that right after the student was killed on Maple Hill, there were all kinds of graffiti in Argentine, depicting gangs by their signs. RIP was on those signs. As far as I know, nothing was done about it. Let's get this campaign going and stop the killing of our kids.

Speaking of killing our kids, poor little Olivia Jansen isn't the only one that was murdered by a parent. Two innocent boys were murdered by their own father that killed them and kidnapped their sisters. Another kidnapping took place in KCK, when the father of a newborn kid-

napped her and her mother. They were caught shortly after. We NEED to stop all this violence.

My sister was held at gun-point quite a few years ago while she was visiting a friend of hers. The friend's ex came in and held them at bay with his gun, while he took their little toddler and put her in his car and sped away. Later down the highway, he threw the baby out the window. He was caught later but to this day the baby, (grown woman now) bears the scars of the horrific incident that she went through. So, this kidnapping is nothing new, but it is being done a lot more. Olivia's case had been reported many times and nothing was done and look what happened to her. Who is to blame?



Hard workers gathered quite a bit of trash from Turner. It's a shame that good citizens have to pick up after litterers. This is a small group of WONDERFUL citizens that spent Halloween day picking up after litterers.



In case you didn't notice, our dear Mayor Alvey was in the group that was cleaning up Turner.



This is Josh Markley. He and his son, Lewis were part of a group that was picking up trash in proper Turner.



There was a Full Moon on Halloween night.

# Comin' & Goin' Turner Style



By Sharon Hoover

I hope by the time this column goes into print we will have results from the Presidential election. Time has been stressful enough with the coronavirus touching our lives in one way or another. My cousin lost her son in early April to the virus and our family has been diligent in maintaining social distancing and wearing masks. Reports of the number of new cases each day makes me fear for my loved ones.

I have a few in the nursing field and according to recent reports hospitals are running short of staff and available beds. Readers please keep you and your family and friends safe.

So many events have been cancelled because of the virus and a few have been modified. The popular Agricultural Hall of Fame's Santa Express has been transformed into a drive-thru wonderland of lights, music, and a nativity complex with barnyard animals. Tractors, the train Farm Town and Christmas trees will be dazzling with Holiday lights along the luminary-lit route. Travelers will be able to wave to Santa, Mrs. Claus, and their elves. Children should bring their letters to drop in Santa's North Pole mailbox.

All will be able to enjoy the beautiful lights from

the comfort and the safety of their car – for the family-friendly price of a suggested donation of \$10 per car (cash or check, no cards) Proceeds will benefit Ag Hall's educational programs for children and adults. The entrance will be on 126<sup>th</sup> Just follow the signs or staff. The route will exit through the parking lot of the Providence Medical Center Amphitheater. Mark your calendars, December 4, 5, 11, 12 from 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm. Those dates are on Fridays and Saturdays.

This event sounds like an opportunity to get out of the house without having to be exposed to anyone. If I run across any others, I pass them on.

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# Blood donations urged amid COVID-19 pandemic, upcoming holidays

KANSAS CITY, Mo. —The American Red Cross is urging healthy donors of all blood types to band together to give blood and help ensure a stable blood supply for patients this holiday season.

The traditional slump in blood donations between Thanksgiving and New Year's comes as the blood supply already faces challenges created by the coronavirus pandemic. Required medical treatments and emergencies don't pause for the holidays or a widespread coronavirus outbreak.

Make your appointment to give blood, platelets or plasma with the Red Cross by downloading the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org, calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enabling the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device.

In thanks for making time to donate around Thanksgiving, those who come to give blood Nov. 25-28 will receive an exclusive Red Cross long-sleeved T-shirt, courtesy of Suburban Propane, while supplies last

Important COVID-19 information for donors

The Red Cross is testing blood, platelet and plasma donations for COVID-19 antibodies. The test may indicate if the donor's immune system has produced antibodies to this coronavirus, regardless of whether an individual developed COVID-19 symptoms. Red Cross antibody tests will be helpful to identify individuals who have COVID-19 antibodies and may now help current coronavirus patients in need of convalescent plasma transfusions. Convalescent plasma is a type of blood donation collected from COVID-19 survivors that have antibodies that may help patients who are actively fighting the virus.

COVID-19 antibody test results will be available within one to two weeks in the Red Cross Blood Donor App or donor portal at RedCrossBlood.org. A positive antibody test result does not confirm infection or immunity. The Red Cross is not testing donors to diagnose illness, referred to as a diagnostic test. To protect the health and safety of Red Cross staff and donors, it is important that individuals

who do not feel well or believe they may be ill with COVID-19 postpone donation.

Each Red Cross blood drive and donation center follows the highest standards of safety and infection control, and additional precautions – including temperature checks, social distancing and face coverings for donors and staff – have been implemented to help protect the health of all those in attendance. Donors are asked to schedule an appointment prior to arriving at the drive and are required to wear a face covering or mask while at the drive, in alignment with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention public guidance.

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Mission  
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About blood donation

Simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device to make an appointment or for more information. All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110

pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

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## Unified Government Public Health Department Issues Recommendations on Winter Sports and Activities in Wyandotte County

In a letter sent to superintendents of Wyandotte County school districts, the Unified Government Public Health Department (UGPHD) outlined guidance on winter sports and activities in Wyandotte County.

This new guidance on winter sports is not a Health Officer Order, but a set of recommendations to help reduce the potential for COVID-19 spread. It is up to individual school boards to decide whether or not to follow these recommendations.

The UGPHD developed this guidance based on COVID-19 data, trends in COVID-19 spread within schools and sports/activities, and ongoing conversations between the UGPHD and local school leaders. The letter was signed by Juliann VanLiew, Director of the Unified Government Public Health Department; Dr. Allen Greiner, Chief Medical Officer of the Unified Government Public Health Department; Dr. Erin Corriveau, Deputy Medical Officer of the Unified Government Public Health Department, and Elizabeth Groenweghe, Chief Epidemiologist with the Unified Government Public Health Department.

The UG Public Health Department outlined the following recommendations to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 among students this winter:

- Primary recommendation: The letter strongly recommended that schools do not allow indoor sports or activities such as basketball or wrestling, based upon the level of community transmission and consequently, the risks involved.
- The letter noted that engaging in these indoor activities increases the chance of widespread transmission in schools.
- In their second recommendation, the UG health experts outlined guidance for schools and sports/activities clubs that choose to not follow the primary recommendation. These secondary recommendations outline precautions to help reduce the risk of disease transmission, including:
  - Carefully cohorting participating students
  - Quickly identifying infections and taking steps to prevent spread of the virus to others
  - Limiting spectator attendance to immediate family only
  - Regularly monitoring for symptoms among students, coaches and staff

In the letter, these health experts warned that the coming winter months (and thus, colder temperatures) will force most outdoor sports activities indoors, creating the opportunity for a significant increase in the spread of COVID-19. They expect to see an even larger increase in spread of the virus related to indoor gathering around upcoming holidays.

"One place where we have the best chance to control the increased spread of the virus is within our schools," the letter states. "Our overarching goal has always been to protect the health and well-being of students, teachers, school staff and families by carefully considering all risks and weighing them against the benefits of social interactions and learning modes."

The UG Health Department officials pledged to continue to work with school leaders and school nursing staff to prevent transmission of the virus and respond to any infections or outbreaks as necessary. They urged school leaders to continue to enforce proper social distancing, proper wearing of masks or facial covers and cohorting students.

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# Guest Editorial

## Record" Numbers Of 3rd Quarter GDP Growth, Used To Misslead

By: Tom Valverde

The Stock Market rally is a totally false notion. With the continuous message from Washington, that more Coronavirus Aid dollars are "just around the corner," as the basis for it. What is

never discussed, is that even when Congress does pass it, it is only a temporary fix which allows for investors to continue to have confidence that the U.S. Economy is on the mend. But this is as far removed from the truth as

## Tom's Tasty Treats

By Tom Valverde

Sometimes a tasty treat can be one that doesn't call for a lot of ingredients.

Recipes that use few ingredients are typically, ones that are easily made. This week's tasty treat is no exception! And best of all, you can select your own favorite coating for:

### Tom's Cookie Truffles

#### Ingredients:

2 c Semi-sweet Chocolate

1/2 c Heavy Cream

10 whole Oreo cookies, crushed medium/coarse

10 Oreos, cookie part only crushed finely

#### Directions:

In a microwaveable bowl, place the chocolate chips and the heavy cream. Microwave in 16-20 second intervals, stirring well after each time, until the chocolate has melted, and the mixture is smooth and glossy. Let cool for ten minutes, then stir in the Oreo crumbs. Stir well, then chill for 1 1/2 hours.

Using a tablespoon scoop, roll out balls of the truffle mixture. Then roll in your choice of the Oreo cookie crumbs, powdered sugar, powdered sugar with a teaspoon of cinnamon added and blended in, or finely chopped walnuts. Use a large spoon to coat the truffles and then roll by hand in the crumbs to coat each truffle well. \*

Set the truffles on a large plate, cover with plastic, and keep chilled until time to serve. For longer storage, place the truffles in an air-tight container.

\*Alternative option for coating the truffles calls for freezing them, covered, for one hour. Then dip each truffle into a bowl of melted, semisweet chocolate or white chocolate. These are a great tasty treat and would be great as a gift for a friend, perhaps an Elder who hasn't been able to leave their home because of the Coronavirus. It lets them know that you are thinking of them. They will help in making them feel less lonely! Make some soon. Enjoy!

## Quotes To Ponder

By: Tom Valverde

"Few words describe the kind of President our nation needs right now:

A President who is not in it for himself, but for others.

A President who doesn't divide us but unites us.

A President who appeals, not to the worst in us, but to the best.

A President who cares less about his TV ratings and more about the American people.

A President who looks not to settle scores, but to find solutions.

A President who is not guided by wishful thinking, but by Science, Reason, and Facts.

That's the kind of President I hope to be. I'm running as a Proud Democrat, but I will govern as an American President."

*Presidential Candidate, Joe Biden*

*Warm Springs, Georgia "Battle for the Soul of the Nation"*

*October 27, 2020*

you can get. The United States economy has not grown, it's only the fact that the Federal Reserve has created trillions of dollars out of thin air, to then inject into the stock market, big corporations and financial institutions. But with so many sectors of the economy in disarray, even those Trillions serve only as a stop gap measure. The Fed's actions result in a "liquidity bubble," that masks reality. It has all people believing that the economy is alright. "It's a great time to invest." The Federal Reserve has put forth the theory that "unlimited monetization is both sustainable and cost free. This concept is also supported by most other central banks from around the globe. The Chief since this past Spring, we have been in a deep recession, and now on the verge of a world depression. This is the first time in history, that incomes have grown with the Crony Stock Market, a few of those already very wealthy have witnessed their Net Worth increase, while the vast majority are terribly hurting. And most are distracted with the widening gap in wealth, but sadly, it is real.

The chief U.S. economist at Oxford Economics, Gregory Daco, points out that this "growth" is both record-breaking and meaningless at the same time. "It true that 7.4% GDP rise from Q2 to Q3 is a record, but it comes after a record contraction from Q1 to Q2 and a total loss of 10.3% through 2020." "It doesn't even come close to making up what was lost amid the pandemic. In fact, the 3.5% total GDP shrinkage during 2020 means we are still down almost as much as we were during the height of the great recession! This is not a recovery, at all! It's all nonsense, it's all played off as great news, as both White House and financial and economic experts, in and out of the government, are all in a panic." Not surprising is this heavily financed economic recovery is just the Opposite, as it's been determined that for "every \$7.00 that is pumped in by the Federal Reserve, only yields \$1.00 in economic growth. Its literally just, "throwing good money after bad!" And claims of a 3rd quarter economic "surge" result in only increased debt, for the United States.

That's where all the boasting stops, and almost all are left with the thoughts of our Economy returning to normal. Another indicator is also purposely left out; that is the number of hours worked. When those are factored in, it is evident that the economy is not on the mend. It is a shock to then realize how far domestic productivity has fallen. According to Mr. David Stockman, the former director of the Office of Management and Budget, under President Ronald Reagan, "The Fed's decision to rapidly expand its balance sheet in response to the financial crisis," set the table for a Breakdown in global economics and politics." And this quote comes from an interview from 2019, way before the disastrous effects of the Covid-19 Pandemic! Recently, Stockman has noted that, "25% of small businesses closed because of Covid-19, still remain shuttered, with little improvement in this trend, since July 4th, 2020." Whenever the next Covid-19 Relief bill is law, it will only be a Band-aid for the failing economy. Once those dollars are spent, they take any hope of a real economic recovery along with them. The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) forecast of "Long-term economic growth to Fall below 2%, is completely untenable. With so little economic growth, reducing the U.S. outstanding debt is not a possibility; the Fed is only promoting even greater levels of unproductive debt and leverage.

Currently, there is a jobs deficit of 11.5 Million, as a result of small businesses that were forced to file for Bankruptcy, and many are out of business for good. The Economic Policy Institute (EPI.org), reports that 30-40 Million people are at risk of eviction. And rental housing is in big demand at the same time that available units are at the lowest amount of inventory ever recorded, with less than 1.5 million now available. For those in the market to purchase a new home, they will face a 25% increase in price. Another staggering fact about the Economy was told by Mr. John Williams of Shadow stats com: "If honest numbers were being used, the real Unemployment rate in the United States would be 26.9 % and that rivals what was seen in the Great Depression in the 1930s. And even higher among Blacks and Latinos. The latest number of the Unemployed is 63 million. Economics professor Richard Wolff said: "Every company is borrowing to just get by. We have developed an Economy that is unsustainable, we've created, zombie corporations, with profits insufficient to even pay the Interest on their loans!" "They are sure to bring the U.S. Economy down as they will go under and fail to repay their massive government loans." What is truly galling is all the decades of hearing talk of Seniors, Elderly, Veterans, Handicapped persons and Military families with their being referred to as "takers!" With the Trillions spent by this administration to support corporations and Financial Institutions and the Stock Market, how many individuals could have been better served? School loans could have been forgiven, and those dollars spent in Cities all across the country. But our Congress people would rather curry favor with these Corporations, in hopes of receiving a nice contribution to their next campaign. These are truly the biggest "takers!" Crony-Socialist-Capitalists may finally be witnessing their end!

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Bids will be opened 12/03/20 @ 2:00 PM in the Purchasing Office.

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Steve Smith, age 74. He was a graduate of Argentine High school, class of 1964.



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