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## Goodbye to the Tie?



By Dr. Jim Haas

The necktie, that is. Fashionistas have proclaimed that ties are no longer a necessary item of men's business dress, yet another result of the year-long working from home during the pandemic. Actually, ties were falling out of favor long before the pandemic. Tech companies began to lose the tie more than 40 years ago—Steve Jobs with a tie didn't happen often, if ever. Some businesses, like IKEA, prohibited them altogether. Informal business culture expanded to include Casual Fridays that sometimes extended to Thursdays and even to Mondays.

Informality is moving beyond absent neckties, with dress shirts designed to wear over pants instead of tucked in and clean sneakers worn with suits or

sport coats instead of traditional polished leather shoes. Tucking in a shirt has always been a bit of a hassle usually resulting in a less-than-neat appearance, and sneakers are generally more comfortable and require less maintenance than real shoes.

Still, I regret the decline of the tie, having worn one nearly every working day for more than fifty years. They added interest and color, and a few had historical motifs fitting for a history teacher. A tie was so much a part of my persona that when a principal, and on the day of a faculty-student basketball game, several students gave me a white t-shirt with a tie printed on it. They claimed they wouldn't recognize me without one. After the game—which the faculty won, of course—I wore it occasionally with a sport coat and real shoes.

Being retired for nearly a decade, I now wear a tie only for special occasions. There are fewer of those as the years go by, leaving me with twenty or so ties reminding me of my former life. The next time I need one, I hope I can remember how to tie it.

Fashions have evolved through the years, and ties with them. Around 1960, my first ties were 1" wide followed by 3", 4", and even 5" versions during the awful fashion era of the 1980s, then narrowed again to a typical 3" or so. Currently, slim ties are again fashionable, some of which are approaching the 1" models of my youth. I should have saved one.

We can't say goodbye to the tie quite yet. Politicians usually wear a tie as do most TV newsmen, talk show hosts, and others. Ties are likely to hang on among traditionalists who see any change as bad, among those who believe in the tie as a status symbol somehow elevating the wearer above the masses, and with older professional men who just can't break a longtime habit.

Shifting to Kansas news, we *can* say goodbye to the poorly designed—and truly ugly—license plate announced with much fanfare two weeks ago. Governor Kelly responded promptly to widespread criticism of the plate and said we'll soon have an opportunity to vote on several new designs. Good move. The ugly plate was a drab "wheat" color with no background design. Brighter colors would be better, perhaps with a background of wind turbines highlighting the state's role in providing sustainable power to the Midwest.

We can also say goodbye to disgraced New York Republican Representative George Santos, a compulsive liar now expelled from the U.S. House. A bipartisan unanimous report by the House Ethics Committee found a long list of frauds and money laundering. Congratulations to the minority of House Republicans with the courage to help vote him out. If Senate Republicans had done likewise when the former president was impeached for much bigger lies, their Party and the country would now be healthier.



By Sharon Hoover

**D**o you have a cat? Many years ago, we had a three legged cat called Misty. Calvin found her wounded alongside the road and brought her home. We had to have her mangled leg removed and she lived to the ripe old age of thirteen. When she passed, we vowed we wouldn't get another pet. It was too painful.

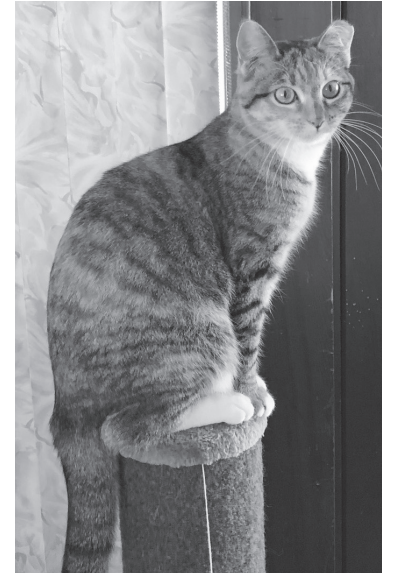
Fast forward twenty-two years. Our neighbor's cat Charmer started warming up to Calvin. Calvin

decided we would keep water out for him and before long we set out food once a day. Well, we attracted a feral mother cat who decided to leave her kitten hidden under our boxwoods when she left each day. She and Charmer would also share the food and soon the baby joined them. I usually sat on the patio each afternoon to read and soon the kitten would come over to me.

You see where this is going. Mother cat disappeared one day and did not return. Not knowing whether the kitten would stay or leave, we had her spayed as a feral cat, so her ear is clipped. We named her Kitty, which is not very original. She spends most of her time outdoors when the weather is nice, hates the

rain, snow, and cold weather. We've had some bumps, she's gotten into a few scrapes with someone bigger than her more than once and gotten a few scrapes, nothing serious. Anyway, we will enjoy her as long as she is around and if and when she decides to leave, we'll be sorry to see her go.

I just finished reading "Resurrection Walk" by Michael Connelly. He teams two recurring characters that usually have their own story arcs- Mickey Haller, a criminal defense attorney and Harry Bosch, a retired detective. Harry Bosch's novels have been around since the late 1990's when he was a cop and Mickey Haller the "Lincoln Lawyer" since 2005. In this book,



Mickey wants Harry to help him get the release of a prisoner wrongly convicted. Mickey likes to play fast and loose and Bosch is reluctant. There are lines he will not cross having been a cop. Interesting.

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

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## Upcoming Local Events

**UG Parks & Recreation Presents: Storytime with Mrs. Claus**  
-Tuesday, December 12, 2023,  
from 6:00PM-7:00PM

(Armourdale Community Center – 730 Osage Ave., KCK, KS 66105)

The UG Parks and Recreation Department is excited to invite the community to listen to storytime with Mrs. Claus. This FREE fun holiday event will help encourage literacy for Wyandotte County youth and will provide small snacks and hot chocolate to storytime guests. Event Details

**UG Parks & Recreation Presents: Donuts with Santa**

Saturday, December 9, 2023,  
from 9:00AM-12:00PM

(Memorial Hall - 600 N. 7th Trfy., KCK, KS 66101)

The community is invited to join Unified Government Parks and Recreation staff along with Jolly Santa for "Donuts with Santa 2023" on December 9, 2023, at Memorial Hall, KCK from 9AM to 12PM.

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# Barn Raising at New American Royal Campus

Governor Laura Kelly attended a barn raising to mark the beginning of construction on the new American Royal campus in Kansas City, Kansas. The facility will be home to a one million square foot food and agriculture educational complex.

“The agriculture industry is the lifeblood of our great state, and this new American Royal campus is going to serve as a national leader in education, events, and engagement – creating a food and agriculture innovation district that will be unlike any other in the world,” said Governor Laura Kelly. “It will also play a critical role in building up our workforce by instilling in young visitors a sense of pride about Kansas’ deep agriculture heritage, perhaps inspiring them to pursue a career here.”

The American Royal has been a Kansas City tradition since 1899, with a mission to be the nation’s leader for food and agriculture education, events and engagement. The American Royal has placed an intentional focus on developing the nation’s epicenter for food and agriculture. The new complex in Kansas City will expand programming from the current 14 weeks to year-round events and activities.

Over the first 20 years of operations, the American Royal main

complex is expected to generate an annual total economic impact of \$526 million and more than 5,000 jobs. The facility is expected to host its first event in late 2025 or early 2026.

“The American Royal is constructing a purpose-built complex designed to attract visitors year-round to Kansas and Wyandotte County for food and agriculture events,” said Walt George, chair of the new building committee and secretary of the American Royal Board of Directors. “It all starts today with the barn, although it sounds so simple to just call it the barn.”

Nearly 500 competitors, volunteers, board members, and supporters witnessed American Royal begin



the vertical construction process as the first piece of steel was placed on its new facility. The facility will span more than 390,000 square feet and include three arenas and a state-of-the-art learning and engagement center.

“The new American Royal complex will be a place where relevant conferences, collaborations and events focused on innovations in food, fiber and fuel can happen,” said Cliff Illig, member of the American Royal Board of Directors.

## Local events...

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Children of all ages are welcome to enjoy many family fun activities for FREE! This fun-filled family event will include holiday crafts, donuts, hot coco, huge inflatables and so much more. A special thanks goes to the Wyandotte County Parks Foundation for sponsoring this fun event. Event Details

### Inauguration Ceremony for New & Re-Elected Unified Government Officials

Monday, December 11, 2023, at 5:00PM

(Memorial Hall - 600 N. 7th Trfy., KCK, KS 66101)

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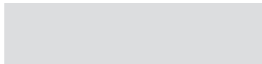
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# New Path Forward on State License Plate

TOPEKA – Governor Laura Kelly announced that the Kansas Department of Revenue will pause production on the license plate design revealed last Wednesday and create a process to receive public

input before selecting a final design. “I promised to be a bipartisan governor, and I think we can all admit – I succeeded at bringing Kansans across the political aisle together in disliking this new li-

cence plate,” said Governor Laura Kelly. “I’ve heard you loud and clear. Elected officials should be responsive to their constituents, which is why we are adjusting the process so Kansans can provide direct input on our state’s next license plate.”

must be placed at the bottom of the license plate.

- Any graphic must be placed on the right or left side of the license plate number.

- Graphics must not resemble letters, numbers, or special characters in a way that would interfere with the ability to read the license plate number.

- Background design must not interfere with the ability to read the license plate number.

- The license plate must have a light background behind the license plate number, and the license plate number must be black.

The Governor’s Office will share more details on license plate options, the voting process, and how this announcement impacts the transition from embossed to print-on-demand plates soon.

## Local events...

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All are invited to the official inauguration ceremony for the new and re-elected Unified Government elected officials beginning at 5PM at Memorial Hall. Light refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the ceremony.

The ceremony will include the swearing-in for the following elected officials:

- Melissa Bynum, Commissioner At-Large, District 1
- Bill Burns, Commissioner District 2
- Christian Ramirez, Commissioner District 3
- Dr. Evelyn Hill, Commissioner District 4
- Philip Lopez, Commissioner District 6
- Susie P. Nelson, Register of Deeds

### KCK Redevelopment: Pre-Bid Conference 4th/Minnesota Site

Wednesday, December 13, 2023, from 10:00AM-11:00AM

(Municipal Building: Commission Chambers– 701 N. 7th Street, KCK, KS 66101)

The Unified Government is hosting a pre-bid conference on the

Request for Proposals (RFP) for the 4th/Minnesota redevelopment site. Only applicants selected through the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) process for this site will be eligible to submit a proposal.

The meeting will be hybrid, with an in-person option in the Commission Chambers of the Municipal Building. Online RSVP Details

### UG Parks & Recreation Presents: Holiday Light & Magic Drive-Thru Experience

Available now through December 31, 2023, from 6:00-10:00PM (Wyandotte County Park - 600 N. 126th Street, Bonner Springs, KS 66012)

The UG Parks & Recreation Department is excited for the return of the Holiday Light and Magic Drive-Thru experience. This mile long drive-thru display will occur at Wyandotte County Park in Bonner Springs, Kansas. Guests can pay one set fee per carload to see over 60 large character scenes and light displays. This experience kicked off in mid-November and will be in full swing until the new year.

Available timeslots and rate information can be found on our website. A portion of the proceeds will go to support the Wyandotte County Parks Foundation.

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