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Comin' & Goin' Turner Style



By Sharon Hoover

I made a big boo boo, I inadvertently sent the same article two weeks in a row. My computer skills need a little work when it comes to saving items in the right folder. The original article for February 8 was about potholes and events that have now passed. However, the February 8 edition contained an article on potholes so not all was lost.

Since last time, I have received more information about Free Tax Preparation. It is

best to set up an appointment. Call 211 or 866-320-5764. You will be asked for your zip code; they will connect you with someone that can find a site closer to you not just the KCK Community College. You should be told the documents needed to bring. Translators will be available. Appointments will be scheduled until April 13.

At the last Elderbearies potluck luncheon, a representative from the United Government was helping people with rebates from the Homestead Act. She will be at the next luncheon, scheduled for March 20 at noon in the Bear's Den at TRC. Call 573-5260 or 573-5311 to see if you qualify and documents needed.

The KCK Women's Chamber Foundation has announced it is now receiving applications for its 2024 Scholarship program for nontradi-

tional women students. \$15,000 in funds are available for qualified applicants in the Metro area. Applications at <https://bit.ly/kckwcf2024>.

The KCK Main Library is hosting a program on "Media Literacy" It is critical for adults and young people to understand the effects of the media on them as individuals and the population, particularly as artificial intelligence continues to be used. The media affect every aspect of our daily lives. This program will explore the phenomenon and how individuals can identify what's happening and not fall victim to it. The presentation will be on March 2 at 2:00pm. Lewis W. Duiguid, former vice president of the KC Star. Registration is required. Call 295-8250.

Registration will begin on March 3 for the 2024 Summer Camp at Mr. & Mrs. F.L. Schlagle at 7pm. Call 295-8250 for more details. Registration fees are non-refundable.

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

The red flags of romance scams

Topeka, Kan. — You have a match! The online dating service or app you have been using has finally paid off.

Conversation clicks. They like everything you like. They don't live in Kansas but want to meet in person—although their money is tight and they can't afford a plane ticket. Have you met the one you've been looking for? Or is it something more sinister? Unfortunately, if your newfound flame starts asking for money and you have never met them in person, you could be looking at a romance scam.

"Save yourself the heartbreak and the financial distress by being very cautious when dating online," said Kansas Insurance Commissioner Vicki Schmidt. "Never, ever send money to someone you have only met online—it's that simple."

Fraudsters took \$1.3 billion from romance scam victims in the US in 2022, according to the Federal Trade Commission. Investment and cryptocurrency schemes often marry with

the romance scam when targeting victims. Be mindful of these red flags while dating online:

- They ask you for money. This is the biggest red-flag and is always a part of any romance scam. They may request the payment in cryptocurrency or gift cards. Never send money to anyone you have only communicated with online or by phone.

- They have all the same interests as you. If a dating profile sounds too good to be true, it probably is. Scammers will use your social media profiles to target you and tailor their scheme towards your life interests. Be careful what you share about yourself online.

- They can't meet in-person or even video chat. Scammers may make plans to meet or chat in person but always find an excuse to cancel, often an elaborate one. If you have chatted with someone for months but have never met them in person, they may be a scammer.

- They offer an investment opportunity. "Pig-butcher" is a type of romance scam

where scammers will string victims along promising companionship, only to take their life savings through a fraudulent investment—much like a farmer fattens a pig for slaughter. Be very cautious if your online acquaintance asks you to invest your money.

If you suspect you have been the victim of investment fraud from a romance scam, please contact the Office of the Kansas Securities Commissioner, a division of the Kansas Insurance Department at 785-296-3071 or file a complaint online at insurance.ks.gov/department/ksc/complaint/ksc-complaint.php, and visit SmartInvestKS.com to learn more about different types of investments and how to avoid fraud.

The Office of the Kansas Securities Commissioner, a division of the Kansas Insurance Department, regulates investment sales in Kansas—the birthplace of "Blue Sky Laws." In 2017, the Office was merged with the Kansas Insurance Department.

Commerce Encourages Jobseekers to Attend Year's First Statewide Virtual Job Fair

TOPEKA—Lieutenant Governor and Secretary of Commerce David Toland encourages jobseekers and employers searching for talent to take part in the first Virtual Statewide Job Fair of the year. Hosted by KANSASWORKS, the job fair will be from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 21.

“Our state continues to see a surge in job growth as companies look to expand in Kansas,” Lieutenant Governor and Secretary of Commerce David Toland said. “There are jobs available for everyone that is looking, and our KANSASWORKS team is here to assist all Kansans find employment opportunities at every skill level.”

The Virtual Statewide Job Fair portal features helpful information such as a jobseeker training video, a list of participating employers and channels for attendees to register and log in. Jobseekers are encouraged to dress professionally, as

employers may request to engage in a video interview.

Candidates can participate through any digital device. Any individual with a disability may request accommodations by contacting their nearest workforce center at (877) 509-6757 prior to the event.

Registration is required to participate in virtual job fairs, regardless of previous participation. To register, click here.

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About the Kansas Department of Commerce: As the state's lead economic development agency, the Kansas Department of Commerce strives to empower individuals, businesses and communities to achieve prosperity in Kansas.

Increasing Access To Programs And Improving Service

“We will administer our programs equitably by reducing administrative burdens and reaching underserved people,” said Martin O’Malley, Commissioner of Social Security. “In line with the Administration’s whole-of-government approach to deliver better outcomes for the American people, I’m pleased to share our Equity Action Plan 2023 Update.”

In 2022, SSA released its first Equity Action Plan in accordance with the President’s Executive Order, Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government.

The updated SSA Equity Action Plan includes several new focus areas:

- Ensure language does not pose barriers to apply for benefits and access services;
- Reduce pending Supplemental Security Income (SSI) underpayments and assess root causes of improper payments; and
- Increase awareness of survivors benefits, especially among people disproportionately impacted by COVID-19.

The new Equity Action Plan also builds on progress made since 2022 to:

- Simplify the SSI application;
- Update the agency’s systems and Social Security number business processes; and
- Provide more demographic data to the public to further identify, monitor, and address where there are service inequities.

For more information about the actions outlined in the Equity Action Plan, please visit www.ssa.gov/equity. To learn about a whole-of-government approach to advance equity for all, visit www.whitehouse.gov/equity.

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SENATE NEWS



By Sen. Pat Pettey

This Week at the Capitol

This week marked the last week for bill introductions. With a few exceptions, as of Friday at 5pm, no more bills can be introduced for the 2024 session. The deadline for bills to pass out of their house of origin, also known as turnaround day, is February 23.

We had many guests in the Capitol this week! On the Senate floor, we honored students from across the state participating in the Jobs for America's Graduates-Kansas (JAG-K) program. The organization partners with public schools, communities and employers to help students overcome challenges and prepare for successful futures.

In Senate education, students from the Kansas State School for the Blind spoke about their educational experiences and increasing access for persons with visual impairments. Senator Pettey had the privilege of meeting with Sloane Anderson and Sarah Burrichter, who are currently receiving services from the school's programs.

On Thursday, Governor Kelly signed the first bipartisan bill of this session to incentivize businesses to pay Kansans with disabilities a fair wage. This bill will strengthen our workforce and give our disability community the opportunities they deserve. I'm proud to support it.

Welcome Rosedale Middle School Pages

I had the privilege of welcoming pages from Rosedale Middle School this week, including Aletse Ortiz Soto, Belen Gracian, Tatiana Rodriguez, Loretta Stueve, Adalyn Bernardino, Alexander Garcia-Arellano, and their teacher, William Heck. The group toured the capital building, including the dome, and went to the Senate session. Thank you for your civic engagement!

In addition to welcoming pages this week, I had the opportunity

to meet with JAG-K students and advisors from Harmon and Schlagle high schools, as well as two students, Sarah Burrichter and Sloane Anderson, who receive services from the Kansas State School for the Blind.

Spotlight on Health

I had the privilege of meeting with various health groups this week, including nurse anesthetists from across the state. Additionally, representatives from the Wyandotte County Health Department, including Kimberly Kern, Elizabeth Groenweghe, and Dustin Hare, were here to give testimony in Public Health and Welfare regarding SB404, expedited partner therapy.

Office of Early Childhood Pro-

posal is Introduced

Governor Kelly announced her bill to consolidate Kansas' early childhood care and education services into a single agency — the Office of Early Childhood. I had the privilege of introducing this bill in Senate Ways and Means this week. This bill consolidates early childhood programs into an existing state agency, the Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund, and renames the agency to represent its expanded scope. Both Republican and Democrat legislators joined Governor Kelly in supporting the legislation.

We must eliminate the red tape that makes it difficult for families and child care providers to access services. I agree that unifying Kansas' early childhood services will

help Kansas families access child care services and ensure they no longer have to navigate the maze that is our current system.

Governor Kelly Announces Nearly \$28M to Create 458 Child Care Slots, Construct New Community Multi-Purpose Facilities

Governor Kelly also announced the creation of 458 new child care slots with the investment of nearly \$28 million in Capital Projects Fund Accelerator awards to seven Kansas communities. These funds will build or renovate multi-purpose community facilities that create new licensed child care slots; provide access to high-speed internet; and house programs that

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facilitate work, education, and health care monitoring.

These grants are made possible using American Rescue Plan (ARPA) funding from the U.S. Department of Treasury Capital Projects Fund, which awarded \$40 million to Kansas for this program in early September. These are exciting projects that will improve quality of life, support job seekers, provide innovative resources for continuing education, and improve health outcomes for families!

Committee Updates

Unfortunately, several bills intended to incite a culture war rather than address real problems were also introduced this week. Here are some bills to keep an eye on:

More Voter Suppression: Senate Fed & State held a hearing on Senate Bill 365, Republican Senator Mike Thompson’s bill requiring all

advance voting ballots be returned by 7:00 p.m. on election day. This is one of many bills introduced by Republican leadership to restrict voting access and further politicize our elections.

Vouchers are back: Once again, a private school voucher proposal has been introduced in the legislature. Senate Bill 469 would divert state funding from public schools and the vast majority of Kansas students who attend them. Pouring taxpayer dollars into private schools will not help Kansas kids, but it will hurt our public schools and communities.

Personhood bill: Senate Judiciary is holding a hearing next week on Senate Bill 425, a bill allowing people to seek child support for a fetus. This is an underhanded attempt to advance an anti-abortion agenda and lay the groundwork for fetal “personhood.” I will always fight against efforts to put medical decisions in the hands of politicians.

A Session Bright Spot

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL ADVERTISEMENT

Turner Unified School District No. 202 is seeking Bid Proposals for the Installation of Promethean Interactive Displays at Turner Elementary and Midland Trail Elementary.

Documents pertaining to this Request for Proposal will be provided to any qualified contractor free of charge by email request sent to crockettc@turnerusd202.org

Turner USD 202 Facility Supervisor, Chris Crockett will host the blind bid opening, February 28, 2024, at 10:30 am. The location of the bid opening will be the Facility and Grounds Building located at 5800 Metropolitan, Kansas City, KS 66106. Turner USD 202 will announce the vendor that is awarded the bid Wednesday March 6, 2024.

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It’s easy to get discouraged about our politics and government, when so many of my colleagues focus on waging a culture war instead of addressing the real problems facing Kansas families. So it’s always nice to have the opportunity to lift up the work that my friends are doing to improve the lives of their constituents. Here are some highlights from this week:

Expanding the Silver Alert Plan: Senate Health Committee held a hearing on Senate Bill 371, Senator Cindy Holscher’s bill to expand the Kansas silver alert plan to provide public notice of missing persons 18 years of age or older who have an intellectual disability. This is an effective way to help ensure the safety of our citizens.

Tampon Tax: My colleague Senator Faust-Goudeau introduced Senate Bill 435, which provides a sales tax exemption for period products, diapers and incontinence products. These products are essential and should be recognized as material basic needs rather than luxury goods. Child income tax credit: Senate Bill 436 creates a state child tax credit. Under this bill, families making \$25,000 or less annually would receive a \$600 refundable credit per qualifying child, and the credit amount would decrease as adjusted gross income increases. I agree with my colleague Senator Ethan Corson: Kansas thrives when our families thrive. This bill helps to ensure that all Kansas children have their basic needs met.

Supporting our minority, disadvantaged, disabled veterans: My colleague Senator Faust-Goudeau introduced Senate Bill 464, which creates the Kansas minority, woman, disadvantaged and service-disabled veteran small business enterprise development act. These veterans sacrificed to protect our country and our values. Supporting them is the right thing to do.

Welcoming Taylor and Travis to Kansas. Travis Kelce and Taylor Swift have had a major economic impact on the KC metro area. My colleague Senator Cindy Holscher introduced a resolution welcoming them to Johnson County and thanking them for shining such a positive

light on our state!

As you know, I serve on the following committees:

- Education
- Public Health and Welfare
- Ways and Means

I welcome your input on any of the issues being discussed in this legislative session. Please feel free to contact me at 785-296-7375 or pat.petty@senate.ks.gov.

Committee hearings and legislative proceedings are live-streamed from the Kansas Legislature’s website and Youtube channel.

Moms Demand Action

On Thursday, a large group of volunteers from Moms Demand Action visited the capitol to advocate for gun safety. This group does not advocate taking away gun rights, but exists for the protection of children.

Unauthorized access to guns presents a serious safety risk to children in Kansas. Here are two bills related to gun safety that you should know about:

Secure Storage. My colleague Senator Holscher introduced Senate Bill 137, which would require that a firearm must be securely stored when not under the owner’s immediate access and control. This can be achieved by securing the firearm with a trigger lock mechanism or storing the firearm in a locked container. Laws that require proper storage seek to encourage responsible behavior, and hold people accountable, not unduly punish residents. I support this legislation.

Strict Scrutiny. HCR 5020 would amend the state constitution to be more protective of firearm ownership, and codify that any infringement on firearms rights would be subject to a “strict scrutiny” standard in the court. A strict scrutiny standard would threaten to eliminate Kansas’s most crucial public safety laws, including prohibitions on gun possession by convicted felons and domestic abusers. This resolution poses a direct threat to Kansas public safety laws that protect our communities by keeping guns out of dangerous hands. I oppose this resolution.

Guest Editorial

Quotes To Ponder

By Tom Valverde

President Biden has a history of serving and working with others and serving the working class. Donald Trump has a history of serving himself and standing with the billionaire class - that is contrary to everything we people stand for. This election is really about; are we going to continue to go forward or are we going to go backwards? The tax breaks Trump put in place just was to benefit the top 1% - 85% of his tax cuts, and they never expired. Meanwhile, we look at what Trump has done - the body of work through out his presidency and contrast this to Joe Biden and his presidency, there emerges a real clear picture.

Donald Trump did not stand with working class people and he had opportunities as president. We have the GM, 40 day strike in 2019 and Donald Trump was completely silent, he never said a word. We had the Lordstown assembly plant that was slated to close in 2019. Donald Trump told people, "Don't sell your home." That was a complete joke. Joe Biden had the same situation in 2023, when a plant in Belvedere, IL was slated to close.

Joe Biden engaged us, he got involved, we worked together and we found a solution. We not only saved a plant from closing but, we put in a second plant there and saved a dying community. Joe Biden joined us on the picket line, he stood with us! Trump put non-union people on the board and killed organizing. 75% of Americans supported us in our fight because the principles that we're fighting for - wages, better benefits, health care, retirement security - getting our time and our lives back. That's what matters most to working class people.

Shawn Fain, president
United Auto Workers
Morning Joe

Mr. Fain was also questioned by Neal Cavuto at FOX News: "You

could have considered backing Donald Trump, why not?"

If you look at the facts and the body of work of both candidates... no where in history has Donald Trump stood for the American worker; he stands, pretty much against everything that we stand for. We had to look at a lot of things and overall, we signed our contract fight with victory --our most successful contract in history. President Biden stood with us on the picket line -- unlike president Trump when GM

was on strike for forty days and Trump was completely non-existent and silent on this issue.

President Biden helped us save a community. He helped us bring, not one plant but, two plants, back to life. President Biden stood with us in our fight for economic justice.

In stark contrast to the actions taken by President Biden, Trump tried to fool union workers across the US by staging a "fake" Union rally, only two days after President Biden received the backing of the UAW union.

Election campaign records show that Trump paid \$20,000 to rent

a non-union plant. Persons were given cardboard signs that said "union workers for Trump."

Trump's ruse was uncovered by local newspaper reporters from the Clinton township, when they interviewed rally attendees who were neither union workers or even auto workers. Local newspaper headlines the next day read, "Former President Trump speaks at a non-union auto parts company" and "Few striking auto workers show up for Trump's speech at a non-union factory."

President Biden made history by joining a picket line outside of Detroit.

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