

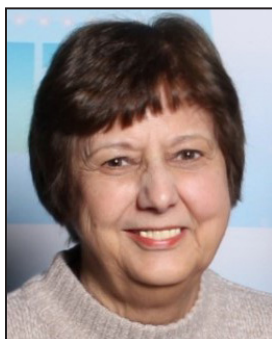
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## Comin' & Goin' Turner Style



By Sharon Hoover

Can you smell the barbecue in the air? I turned on the TV this morning and found out that there is a Barbecue contest in Lenexa and another at Arrowhead today and tomorrow. This is

the season to get out the ole grill and fire it up if you haven't already. My granddaughter and her hubby had the family over for a Father's Day celebration and we pigged out on brats and hamburgers. Of course, the 4<sup>th</sup> is just around the corner and what a better way to enjoy it is in the backyard with a cold drink and barbecue before the adults and kids start shooting off fireworks.

Turner Recreation Commission is holding "Fireworks in the Park" at Pierson Park on Tuesday, July 2. Fireworks start at 9:45 pm. No entry to the park after 9:30pm. One way traffic only. Once the lots are filled the entrances will be closed. Shelter 1 and Pierson Hall closed but all other shelters are open. No cars parking on 55<sup>th</sup> St. and no alcohol or drugs allowed in the park. Questions? 913-287-2111. Check the website (events section) for the parking map.

Recently, it was decided the gazebo in the Turner Garden needed to be raised to allow for water drainage. The guys started the project in Late May but sometimes projects get delayed as more important matters (like planting) arise. Fortunately, Pastor Steve Neal of the First Baptist Church of Turner came to our aid. He was expecting a youth volunteer group from South Dakota and needed a service project for them. They

spent Wednesday hauling crushed rock with wheelbarrows and smoothing it out in the gazebo area. In addition, they harvested garlic, weeded the onion patch, and mulched the children's raised beds. The gazebo isn't quite finished but with these kids' help, we are well on our way to getting it done. Thank heaven for volunteers.

If you read "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" when you were a kid, I would suggest you read "James" by Percival Everett. It is the reimagined story told through the eyes of enslaved Jim. One of the best books I have read this year. I don't remember much about Huck Finn's story but I am about to reread Mark Twain's original.

That's it for now. Until next time, stay safe and be kind to those around you.



## Unified Government Names Andrea Vinyard as County Treasurer

KANSAS CITY, KS - The Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City, Kansas (UG) is pleased to announce the hiring of Andrea Vinyard as County Treasurer.

Ms. Vinyard has been with the UG for over 10 years and has served as Deputy Treasurer and Cash Manager for 7 years and as Interim Treasurer for close to two years. Upon serving as Deputy Treasurer, she worked as an Internal Auditor in the Legislative Auditor's Office.

Reporting directly to the Chief Financial Officer, as Treasurer Ms. Vinyard will handle all revenue generated by the Unified Government, including the collection of real estate and personal property taxes for the entire County.

"I truly believe that being a good steward of the community where I live, work, and raise children will open so many opportunities

for not just me, but for everyone here in Wyandotte County," said Ms. Vinyard. "I am committed to ensuring that my staff and I will serve all our taxpayers in Wyandotte County with dignity, respect, and professionalism. As I step into my new role as County Treasurer, I am excited to continue to utilize technology, and various resources to help the taxpayers of Wyandotte County."

Ms. Vinyard holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from Ottawa University and is a recent graduate of Leadership 2000, Class XXXVII.

"We are excited to promote Ms. Andrea Vinyard to the position of Treasurer for the Unified Government," said Chief Financial Officer, Dr. Shelley Kneuvean. "She has been an invaluable member of the leadership team in her role as Deputy Treasurer over the past several years and we are confident she will be able to effectively step into this new role. We look forward to the vision and process improvements Ms. Vinyard will bring to the tax collections, real estate, and motor vehicles divisions of the Treasury Department."

Operating under the regulations of the Kansas Department of Revenue, Ms. Vinyard will oversee the receipt of all deposits through the collection of permits, fines, licenses, and taxes; distribution of tax levies for Wyandotte County, Kansas City, KS, Bonner Springs, Edwardsville, and four school districts; collection of current and delinquent taxes; and the motor vehicle program.

When not managing the high-performing Treasury Management, Property Tax, Delinquent Revenue, and Motor Vehicle Registration team, she enjoys watching her son grow into a great little man, working out, playing sand volleyball, and spending time out on the boat at Wyandotte County Lake with her son, Fiancé and his two daughters.



## Joe Maderak Remembered

By Murrel Bland

I remember the first time I met Joe Maderak. It was the spring of 1985. It was a Tuesday afternoon when Joe came into my office unannounced.

Those who knew me knew not to bother me on a Tuesday. That was the day I went to press with my weekly newspaper, *The Wyandotte West*.

Joe had a petition he wanted me to sign. The petition called for the formation of a new organization which would later be called Business West.

I tried everything I could do to discourage Joe from distracting me. I finally signed the petition. Later that week, when I wasn't so busy, I decided that having such an organization may not be such a bad idea.

The motivating reason for Joe's organizational efforts was the firing of the first permanent City Administrator, Myron James Medin. Voters had approved a change in the form of city government which allowed for a professional administrator to run city government. Joe, and many other Kansas City residents, were upset about the firing. Hiring a City Administrator had given people hope.

During the ensuing several years I got to know Joe very well. He was the first Chairman of the Board of Directors of Business West and I was the first Board Secretary. The organization took a stand on several issues, not being afraid because an issue was controversial.

I was saddened to learn that Joe died June 15 at the age of 101. He was a successful businessman having founded Maderak Construction in 1952 with his wife, Katie. He was also an active board member of the Builders Association.

Joe and his family were active members of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church. He also was a lifelong member of the Lions Club; he received a lifetime membership for more than 50 years of service.

Joe served in the U.S. Navy in the South Pacific during World War II. I was pleased to have known and worked with Joe.



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# 10 Ways To Protect Your Personal Information

Identity theft affects millions of people each year and can cause serious harm. Protect yourself by securing your personal information, understanding the threat of identity theft, and exercising caution.

Here are 10 things you can start doing now to protect yourself and your loved ones from identity theft:

1. Protect your Social Security number by keeping your Social Security card in a safe place at home. Don't carry it with you or provide your number unnecessarily.

2. Be careful when you speak with unknown callers. Scammers may mislead you by using legitimate phone numbers or the real names of officials. If they threaten you or make you feel uneasy, hang up.

3. Create strong, unique passwords for each of your accounts. Use different passwords for different accounts so if a hacker gains access to one account, they can't access others.

4. Never give your personal or financial information in response to an unsolicited call or message, and never post it on social media.

5. Shred paper documents that

contain personal information, like your name, birth date, or Social Security number.

6. Protect your mobile device from unauthorized access by securing it with a PIN, adding a fingerprinting feature or facial recognition. You can also add a password and adjust the time before your screen automatically locks.

7. Regularly check your financial accounts for suspicious transactions.

8. Avoid internet threats by installing and maintaining strong anti-virus software on all your devices—including your

mobile device and personal computer. Use a virtual private network (VPN) to stay safe on public Wi-Fi. Do not perform activities that involve sensitive data, like online shopping and banking, on public Wi-Fi networks.

9. Protect yourself on social media by customizing your security settings and deleting accounts you no longer use. Also, double check suspicious messages from your contacts, as hackers may create fake accounts of people you know.

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message. Type in the web address yourself. Only provide information on secure websites.

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# Governor Kelly Signs Bill Providing Tax Cuts for All Kansans

## Gov. Also Signs Legislation to Attract Professional Sports Teams to the State

TOPEKA—Governor Laura Kelly announced that she has signed Senate Bill 1, bipartisan legislation that will provide tax cuts for all Kansans without threatening the

state's long-term fiscal health. The bill reduces property and income taxes, immediately eliminates the state tax on Social Security income, and increases the standard deduc-

tion and Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit.

"I am proud to be delivering on my commitment to responsible, meaningful tax relief for all Kansans," Governor Laura Kelly said. "I appreciate the Legislature's quick work to pass this tax relief package. Senate Bill 1 provides significant tax relief while preserving our ability to continue fully funding our public schools, roads and bridges, and State Water Plan."

The governor also signed House Bill 2001, enabling the use of the Sales Tax and Revenue (STAR) Bonds, an economic development tool, to expand Kansas' portfolio

of professional sports teams. STAR Bonds allow the issuance of bonds to finance the development of major commercial, entertainment, and tourism projects. The bonds are paid off through the sales tax revenue generated by the development.

"We know that modernizing our economic development tools provides the opportunity to increase private investment into the state," Governor Kelly said. "By modifying the STAR Bonds program, one of our strongest economic development mechanisms, lawmakers crafted a viable option for attracting professional sports teams to Kansas."

# Guest Editorial

## Quotes To Ponder

By Tom Valverde

"I can't believe I have to say this, but it is not normal that the Supreme Court is taking its sweet time to decide if a former president is immune from prosecution for inciting an insurrection to overturn an election. This should have been decided already. The answer is No!"

Robert Reich  
Emeritus, Carmel P. Friesen professor of  
Public Policy at the University of  
California

The Supreme Court may ultimately say that the former president does not have immunity. But, in fact, they will have given him immunity because this case will not go to trial before the election in November. Trump is trying to avoid, at all costs, the facts of what happened on January 6th, that are charged in the Special Counsel's indictment... that the facts do not get presented in court, where facts actually matter and the American people are able to hear it.

Trump can claim that this is all just a smear campaign by his political adversary and avoid having this actually, confronted by a jury...

When you're dealing with the crimes that are alleged here, which is, illegally staying in office (after losing an election). That is an absolute violation of the Constitution.

Neal Katyal, fmr Solicitor General, Professor of Law at Georgetown  
University and MSNBC legal advisor

The question before the Supreme Court should have been simply to ask whether a president, criminally seeking to extend his stay in office beyond the end of his term, has absolute immunity from prosecution for crimes committed in that vein. That would have been the right question to ask. And it could only have had one answer!

Professor Laurence Tribe at  
Georgetown  
University and MSNBC legal analyst

How many times has Trump used the Courts to delay his criminal trials? He was found to be guilty in two trials and the Special Counsel has much evidence to prove his cases against the former president. What a shame that he continues to have the support of the gullible. Some people are willing to "look the other way" and are happy with a convicted felon as their candidate. And they send their dollars to the "Billionaire".

It's win at any cost! Honor, integrity, mean nothing to his voters. And they believe the fake videos of President Biden. They believe anything they hear from Trump, a felon in multiple criminal court cases and everything else is "fake news".

Tom Valverde

# YOU are invited

Anyone who believes in the mission of The League of United Latin American Citizens LULAC is eligible to join us. Being part of the conversation will bring us together with all of society.



The League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) is the largest and oldest Hispanic and Latino civil rights organization in the United States.[2] It was established on February 17, 1929, in Corpus Christi, Texas, largely by Hispanics returning from World War I who sought to end

ethnic discrimination against Latinos in the United States. The goal of LULAC is to advance the economic condition, educational attainment, political influence, housing, health, and civil rights of Hispanic people in the United States. LULAC uses nationwide councils and group community organizations to achieve all these goals. LULAC has about 132,000 members in the United States.

Council 11085 has LULAC members in the counties of Douglas, Johnson and Wyandotte (Kansas) – Clay and Jackson (Missouri).

Join us at the monthly Zoom meetings – the second Saturday of each month at 2 p.m.

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