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Energy and Climate Change

By Dr. Jim Haas

The need for sustainable energy has become one of the most pressing challenges of the 21st century. As the global population grows and industrialization continues to expand, the demand for energy is rapidly increasing. However, the world's continued reliance on fossil fuels—such as coal, oil, and natural gas—has led to severe environmental consequences, including air pollution, greenhouse gas emissions, and climate change. To address these issues and ensure a healthier, more stable future, transitioning to sustainable energy sources is essential.

Sustainable energy refers to energy derived from resources that are naturally replenished on a human timescale, such as solar, wind, hydro, geothermal, and biomass. These sources produce little to no harmful emissions and have a much lower environmental impact compared to traditional fossil fuels. Solar panels and wind turbines, for example, generate electricity without emitting carbon dioxide, helping to combat global warming. Additionally, many sustainable energy systems require less water and do not pollute the air, which contributes to better public health and cleaner ecosystems.

Economically, investing in sustainable energy also offers significant benefits. The renewable energy sector has become a major source of job creation, with opportunities in manufacturing, installation, maintenance, and research. As technology advances, the cost of producing and storing renewable energy continues to decline, making it more competitive with conventional energy sources. Energy independence is another key advantage, as countries that develop their own renewable energy infrastructure can reduce their reliance on imported fossil fuels, enhancing national security and economic stability.

From a social perspective, sustainable energy can improve quality of life, particularly in underdeveloped regions. Off-grid solar or wind systems can provide electricity to remote communities that lack access to centralized power grids, enabling access to education, healthcare,



and economic opportunities.

However, the transition to sustainable energy requires strong political will, public support, and substantial investment. Governments and private sectors must work together to create policies, incentives, and infrastructure that support clean energy innovation and adoption.

In conclusion, the need for sustainable energy is not just about protecting the environment—it is about ensuring long-term economic prosperity, social equity, and global stability. Embracing sustainable energy is no longer optional; it is a necessary step toward a more resilient and just future for all.

Notice: The above summary was written by ChatGPT, a free artificial intelligence (AI) program. I asked it to write 400 words about the need for sustainable energy, which it did in about two seconds. The summary is comprehensive, well-organized, and accurate, but it lacks the distinctive “voice” of a human author. You’ll rarely find clever or memorable phrases in AI writing nor any irony, humor, or passion. Climate change is an emergency, a clear and present danger to life as we’ve known it, but this

AI text reads as if it were written by a soulless machine, which it was. Mark Twain it ain’t.

Another weakness of AI writing is like that of social media: there is no referee or editor. Because AI “learns” what it knows by processing vast amounts of information, often from the Internet, and because a large proportion of that information is false, AI-generated text is prone to what are called “hallucinations.” An *Ethics and Information Technology* article argues that AI text products are “indifferent to the truth of their outputs,” with statements only accidentally true and accidentally false. Consequently, AI writing must be carefully fact-checked. I checked every fact and claim in the above summary and found them all accurate.

To process information, AI requires data centers (pictured) which consume enormous amounts of energy, as much as 3 percent of all U.S. electricity this year, projected to increase significantly. This raises electricity rates for consumers and demands more energy sources—preferably sustainable—in a competition between power to the people and power to the machines.



By Sharon Hoover

This year is just flying by. Soon school will be starting. The BPU teens that worked in the garden this summer have completed their hours. We hate to see them leave; they were the best group we have ever had. I hope they all sign up again next year.

One last "Back to School & Health Fair" will be held at Homefield, 9250 State Ave. on August 9 from 8am-1:00pm. For more information call 913-627-2655 or

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kcksfoundation@kckps.org.

I found a virtual event by the KCK Public Library about "IRAs. Roth IRAs, 401(k)s and Other Retirement Accounts" on Tuesday, August 12 at 12pm. Ryan Hayden from the Association of Financial Educators will show what retirement plans are available for people and businesses and what we should know about them. Register with your email address to receive the Zoom link. Contact Ino: ebonjour@kckpl.org or 913 295 8250, ext. 1122.

Turner Community Library is hosting "Weather Wonders" at the Turner Community Garden on August 8 from 2pm-3pm for children ages 4 & above. This hands-on STEM program is about weather and how wind, water, and heat create our climate. Registration Required.

Go to kckpl.org, then programs, and offsite to register.

Turner Community Library presents "Graphic Novel Theater: Unico on August 14 at the Turner Garden from 2pm-3pm for children and teens. Step into the panels and bring the pages to life. In this group read aloud, you'll act out a graphic novel together giving voices to the characters and energy to every scene. Registration required. See the above instructions to register for this event.

Turner Community Library is hosting "Fabulous Frames" at the Turner Garden from 2pm-3pm on August 15 for children, teens and adults. Add a little flair to your space with this DIY workshop. Take simple wooden trays and turn them into something special using paint

and pretty napkins. Registration required, See the above instructions to register.

The "Share the Love" Book Club meets the second Tuesday of the month at The Windmill KC, 840 S.55th St. from 1pm-2pm. Do you have a favorite author? Are you tired of not having any new book ideas? You are in luck. Share the books you adore. In the two years I have belonged to the book club, I have discovered new authors and topics that I would never have thought of reading. Registration preferred. See the above to register offsite.

To visit the Turner Community Garden on your own, we're located at 667 S.55th St. KCK.

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

OBITUARY

Helen Joyce (Bales) Mills

Helen Joyce (Bales) Mills of Mission, Kansas passed away July 22nd, 2025 at Advent Health Shawnee Mission, with her husband by her side.

Joyce was born November 18, 1934 to William Earl and Helen Elaine (Spurlock) Bales, in Kansas City, Missouri. While roller skating March 10, 1954, she met David Earl Mills, and the attraction was mutual. They married July 15, 1954 at Quindaro Baptist Church and moved to Millington, Tennessee while Dave was in the Navy, settling permanently in Kansas City, Kansas in 1956.

After raising their four children, Joyce began working as a legal secretary with Schneider, Shamberg, and May, following that with typesetting for The Wyandotte West and then for The Squire, two local weekly newspapers. She retired from The Squire and was able to travel visiting her children locally and world-wide. While "retired" she edited the Old Olathe Naval Air Museum (OONAM) monthly newsletters, joined the Turner Lions and served as president, riding in the Turner Days parade as Grand Marshal, and hosting their annual garage sale for many years. She volunteered her time at the Argentine Food Kitchen and the Youth Friends organization in the Turner school district. She was a member of Turner Baptist Church, and currently attended Sunday services at The Welstone at Mission Crossing, where she and her husband resided.

She is survived by Dave, her husband of 71 years; her daughter, Sallie (Ted) Haworth of Kansas and Florida; sons Mitchell (Cathy) of Florida and Stuart (Doneen) of Georgia; and daughter-in-law Wanda of Louisiana; seven grandchildren, Lauren (Steven Dunn) and Burt (Sara) Haworth; Shane (Michele) and Ryan (Alexa) Mills; Chelsea Rierson, Jordan (Paige) and Shelbie Mills; and five great-grandchildren, Elijah, Ethan, Chloe, Harlow and Paisley Mills. She was predeceased by her son, Scott in 2017 and grandson Corey Roberts in 2016.

Services were held on Tuesday, July 29th, at Porter Funeral Home, 8535 Monrovia, Lenexa, Kansas, 66215, with inurnment at Leavenworth National Cemetery, 150 Muncie Road, Leavenworth, Kansas, 66048.



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Last Chance Opportunities at the National WWI Museum and Memorial

August is the last chance for several special promotions and events at the National WWI Museum and Memorial – an exclusive Local Discount, Tower After Hours and the special exhibition, Sacred Service

The Local Discount is a \$10 combination ticket available through August for residents of the surrounding counties – Jackson, Clay and Platte counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte and Leavenworth counties in Kansas. These combo tickets access everything that the Museum has to offer, including the recently-refreshed Main Gallery, special exhibition areas, the Tower and Bergman Family Gallery. Residents must present proof of residency with valid ID: one ticket per ID with the exception of children and youth. This offer is available in-person at the Ticketing Counter only.

Tower After Hours will be held each Thursday in August (7, 14, 21 and 28). Visitors will have a unique opportunity for after-hours access between 5:30-9:30 p.m. (last ride at 9:15 p.m.). The Tower soars 217 feet above the Memorial Court-

yard and is flanked on four sides by the Guardian Spirits – Honor, Courage, Patriotism and Sacrifice. Access to the viewing deck is gained following a short elevator ride and a 45-step journey to the top. Weather permitting. Tickets are available onsite, in-person only, at the base of the Tower (debit or credit card only).

Special Exhibit, Sacred Service, closes on Sept. 8, 2025. Rabbis, pastors, monks, imams, priests and more served with the fighting nations of World War I. Many were as unprepared for the horrors of war as the soldiers they served, yet strove to bring courage, comfort and compassion to millions – on and off the battlefield. Sacred Service, located in the Museum's Wylie Gallery, is included in a General Admission ticket.

Media interested in covering any of the Museum and Memorial's

offerings should contact Karis Erwin at 816.888.8122 or kerwin@theworldwar.org.

August National WWI Museum and Memorial events

* Saturdays | 11 a.m.: Hands-on History

* Thursday, Aug. 7, 2025 | 5-8:30 p.m.: Tower After Hours

* Thursday, Aug. 14, 2025 | 5-8:30 p.m.: Tower After Hours

* Saturday, Aug. 16, 2025 | 10:30 a.m.: Empower: Modern Self-Defense

* Tuesday, Aug. 19, 2025 | 6:30 p.m.: Member Insider: "Encounters"

* Thursday, Aug. 21, 2025 | 5-8:30 p.m.: Tower After Hours

* Saturday, Aug. 23, 2025 | 2:30 p.m.: ASL Guided Tour

* Saturday, Aug. 23, 2025 | 5:30 p.m. Reception, 6:30 p.m. Program: Ring of Fire: A New History of the World at War: 1914

* Thursday, Aug. 28, 2025 | 5-8:30 p.m.: Tower After Hours
About the National WWI Museum and Memorial

The National WWI Museum and Memorial is America's leading institution dedicated to remembering, interpreting and understanding the Great War and its enduring impact on the global community. The Museum and Memorial holds the most comprehensive collection of World War I objects and documents in the world and is the second-oldest public museum dedicated to preserving the objects, history and experiences of the war. The Museum and Memorial takes visitors of all ages on an epic journey through a transformative period and shares deeply personal stories of courage, honor, patriotism and sacrifice. To learn more, visit theworldwar.org.



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Tom's Tasty Treats

By Tom Valverde

This week's tasty treat is a delicious cookie that would be great for an afternoon tea. It's a simple drop cookie that has a garnish of either pecan half or a walnut half or a candied cherry, cut in half. This recipe is a keeper and great for the holidays too. Please give them a try:

SPECIAL BUTTER

TEA COOKIES

Ingredients: 1 c Powdered sugar, 1 c Sugar, 2 t Grated Orange rind, 1 t Vanilla, 1/4 t Butter extract, 1 c Margarine*, 1 c Canola oil, 2 lg. Eggs, 4 1/2 c Flour, 1 t Baking Powder, 1 t Salt, 1 t Cinnamon or Cardamom, 1 c Chopped Pecans+, 1 c Sugar for rolling and Pecan halves or Candied Cherries

*Using margarine instead of butter results in a more tender cookie.

In a large bowl beat together the powdered sugar, sugar, grated orange rind, vanilla, butter extract, Canola oil, and beat until well blended. Add the flour, baking powder, salt,

cinnamon or cardamom and beat until mixed well. Stir in the chopped pecans. Cover the bowl with plastic wrap and chill for 2 hours or overnight. Set oven to 375°. Roll dough into 1" balls, then, roll in sugar. Place 2" apart on a parchment lined cookie sheet. Dip the bottom of a glass in sugar and flatten the balls of dough. Place a pecan half or candied cherry in the center of each cookie. Bake at 375° for 7 to 10 minutes. Cool one minute on the cookie sheet the transfer to a wire rack to finish cooling. Nuts should always be toasted before using. To toast nuts, place on cookie sheet and bake in a 300° oven for 8 to 10 minutes. They should be fragrant and just begin to turn golden brown. A variation would add 1 cup dried cranberries, chopped, to the dough and putting a cranberry on each cookie. With the grated orange rind and the cinnamon and chopped pecans, this would be a very tasty variation. This flavorful cookie is an attractive addition to a cookie tray and is perfect for a cookie exchange. Great with tea or coffee.

Enjoy!

KCKCC to Host Topping Off Ceremony for New KCK Community Education, Health and Wellness Center

Governor Kelly and Mayor Garner Attending

Kansas City Kansas Community College (KCKCC) invites members of the media to attend the Topping Off Ceremony for the new KCK Community Education, Health and Wellness Center, marking a major milestone in the construction process. This ceremonial event celebrates the placement of the final steel beam of this exciting and innovative project. Partners of the project include Swope Health and CommunityAmerica Credit Union.

Attendees will have the opportunity to sign the beam from 9 to 10 a.m., with the formal ceremony taking place from 10 to 11:15 a.m.

Friday, August 8, 2025

Beam Signing: 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Topping Off Ceremony: 10:00 – 11:15 a.m.

Construction site of the new KCK Community Education, Health and Wellness Center, Corner of State Avenue and N. 6th Street, Kansas City, Kansas

Special guests scheduled to speak include:

- Kansas Governor Laura Kelly
- KCK Mayor Tyrone Garner
- KCKCC President Dr. Greg Mosier
- Jeron Ravin, CEO Swope Health
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