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LEGALS

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NOTICE OF HEARING TO EXCEED REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE AND BUDGET HEARING
 The governing body of **Red Bud Lake Improvement District** Dickinson County, will meet on September 9, 2025 at 7:00 pm at Red Bud Lake Community Center for the purpose of hearing and voting objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds, the amount of tax to be levied and the revenue neutral rate budget information is available at Denise Schmidt, 2191 Eden Rd Lot 22, Abilene, KS and will be available at this hearing

BUDGET SUMMARY
 Proposed Budget 2026 Expenditures and Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2026 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

FUND	Prior Year Actual 2024		Current Year Estimate for 2025		Proposed Budget Year for 2026	
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax
General	44,999	5.531	53,200	6.790	55,200	5.872
Debt Service	42,478		42,478		71,728	
Water Utility	33,542		34,500		67,180	
Sewer Utility	17,200		18,813		18,900	
Non-Budgeted Funds	23,879					
Totals	162,098	5.531	148,991	6.790	213,008	5.872
					Revenue Neutral Rate*	6.443

Less: Transfers 7,200
 Net Expenditures 154,898
 Total Tax Levied 4,516
 Assessed Valuation: 782,456

Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1, 2023: 677,029
 2024: 661,783
 2025: 645,924

*Tax rates are expressed in mills.
 **Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988
 Red Bud Lake Improvement District

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The City of Enterprise, KS will hold a public hearing on Thursday, August 28, 2025, at 6:00 PM in the city hall located at 206 S. Factory, Enterprise, KS 67441 for the purpose of considering an application to be submitted to the Kansas Department of Commerce for Small Cities Community Development Block Grant funds under the Community Facilities: Large Grants category.

A specific project application to be discussed is a Pool Improvements Project that will consist of the site preparation, demolition, pool concrete paving, concrete sidewalk, electrical, splash features, shade structures, concessions and restroom improvements, fencing, and miscellaneous appurtenances related to construction activities.

Project activities will occur at the existing Enterprise Municipal Pool located at 305 S. Bluff St, Enterprise, KS 67441. The estimated project cost is \$871,270 with the grant request for \$650,000 of the project cost.

Other project proposals introduced at the hearing will be considered. Oral and written comments will be recorded and become a part of the city's CDBG Citizen Participation Plan. Reasonable accommodations will be made available to persons with disabilities. Requests should be submitted to the city clerk, 785-263-8323, by August 27, 2025.

(First published in the Abilene Reflector-Chronicle, Tuesday, August 12, 2025) IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DICKINSON COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE of DARLYNE MAE PORTER, Deceased. Case No. DK-2025-PR-000078

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on August 7, 2025, a Petition for Probate of Will and Issuance of Letters Testamentary, under the Kansas Simplified Estates Act, was filed in this court by Clayton J. Russell and Kari L. Porter-Russell, heirs, devisees and legatees and as Co-Executors named in the Last Will and Testament of Darlyne Mae Porter, deceased.

All creditors are notified to exhibit their demands against the estate within four (4) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, as provided by law, or if the identity of the creditor is known or reasonable ascertainable, thirty (30) days after actual notice was given as provided by law, and if their demands are not thus exhibited, they shall be forever barred.

Clayton J. Russell, Co-Petitioner

SUBMITTED BY: ROYER & ROYER CHARTERED Robert H. Royer, Jr. #08799 101 1/2 N.W. Third Street, P.O. Box 413 Abilene, Kansas 67410 (785) 263-1370 Fax# (785) 263-1371 Attorneys for Co-Petitioners royerlaw@sbcglobal.net

UNIVERSAL Sudoku Puzzle

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

			8	5	7	4		
		3						2
					1	5		
				3			7	
9	6							4
7		1	3	4	9	6		8
		8						1
	4			8				
2		7	1				8	
		9	5	7	2			

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★☆☆☆

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DICKINSON COUNTY, KANSAS
Notice of Suit

Jordan L. Simecka Plaintiff Vs. Kansas Department of Revenue, And Kaccee McCreory Pursuant to Chapter 60 of Kansas Statutes Annotated Case # 2025-CV-35

A lawsuit has been filed against you. Within 21 days after service of this summons on you (not counting the day you received it), you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the attached petition or motion under K.S.A. 60-212. Under Kansas Supreme Court Rule 113, you may seek from the clerk of the court an extension of up to 14 additional days to serve and file an answer or a K.S.A. 60-212 motion. If you fail within 21 days to serve and to file an answer or a K.S.A. 6012 motion or obtain a Rule 113 extension, the court may enter default judgment against you for the relief demanded in the petition. If you were served outside of Kansas, however, the court may not enter default judgment against you until at least 30 days of service of this summons.

Jordan Simecka Plaintiff

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DICKINSON COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ALBERT D. WYNN Deceased. Case No. DK-2025-PR-000011

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Petition For Final Settlement has been filed on August 8, 2025, in this court by Angela Kallaus, Administrator of the Estate of Albert D. Wynn, deceased, praying for a final settlement of the estate, approval of his acts, proceedings and accounts as Administrator, allowance for attorney's fees and expenses, determination of the heirs, devisees and legatees entitled to the estate and assignment to. You are hereby required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 9th day of September, 2025, at 9:00 o'clock a.m., on such day, in such court, in the City of Abilene, Dickinson County, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said Petition.

Angela Kallaus, Administrator

Randall C. Henry Attorney at Law 113 S. Broadway P.O. Box 25 Sterling, KS 67579 (620) 278-2880

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NOTICE OF HEARING TO EXCEED REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE AND BUDGET HEARING
 The governing body of **Sherman Township Dickinson County** will meet on September 15, 2025 at 6:00pm at Spencer Anderson, 1734 3400 Ave, Chapman, KS for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds, the amount of ad valorem tax and the revenue neutral rate. Detailed budget information is available at Dean Hill, 3536 Nail Rd, Wakefield, KS and will be available at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY
 Proposed Budget 2026 Expenditures and Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2026 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation.

Fund	Prior Year Actual 2024		Current Year Estimate 2025		Proposed Budget 2026	
	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Expenditures	Actual Tax Rate	Budget Authority for Expenditures	Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax
General	9,300	2.273	10,850	2.814	9,662	8.392
Debt Service						2.813
Library						
Road	58,100	18.282	59,800	18.765	65,800	57.486
Special Machinery						
Totals	67,400	20.555	70,650	21.579	75,462	65.878
					Revenue Neutral Rate**	20.391

Less: Transfers 6,495
 Net Expenditure 60,905
 Total Tax Levied 59,410
 Assessed Valuation: 2,841,778

Outstanding Indebtedness, Jan 1, 2023: 0
 2024: 0
 2025: 0

*Tax rates are expressed in mills.
 **Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988

BRIDGE by PHILLIP ALDER

READ THE LEAD TO MAKE THE CONTRACT Mark Twain said, "A person who won't read has no advantage over one who can't read."

That can also apply to bridge. The player who does not pay any attention to the opening lead has no advantage over the player who sees it but fails to work out what information it imparts.

Sometimes declarer can work out what to do just by analyzing the opening lead.

In this example, how should South play in three no-trump after West leads a fourth-highest spade five?

This is surely the most common two-bid auction. It is true that on this deal, three no-trump can be defeated if West is inspired enough to lead a heart, and five diamonds can always be made with a good guess in the trump suit. But if you try to get to five of a minor with two balanced hands opposite each other, you will be a big loser in the long run. Go for the nine-trick game unless you are sure it cannot make. South starts with seven top tricks: two spades, two diamonds and three clubs.

North
 ♠ K 4 3
 ♥ J 2
 ♦ K 9 6 4 3
 ♣ Q J 10

West
 ♠ Q 10 6 5
 ♥ Q 10 7
 ♦ Q 7 2
 ♣ 9 4 3

East
 ♠ J 9 8 7
 ♥ A K 9 8 4
 ♦ --
 ♣ 8 6 5 2

South
 ♠ A 2
 ♥ 6 5 3
 ♦ A J 10 8 5
 ♣ A K 7

Dealer: South
 Vulnerable: East-West

South West North East
 1 NT Pass 3 NT All pass

Opening lead: ♠ 5

And if the diamonds run, there is an overtrick waiting in the wings. But if the diamonds are 3-0, who has the tripleton?

Read West's lead. How many spades did he start with?

Since South can see the two, three and four, West must have led from exactly a four-card suit. And if he is void in diamonds, he must have at least five hearts or five clubs and surely would have led from that suit -- length rules in no-trump. So only East can be void in diamonds. Declarer should take the first trick and cash the diamond ace.

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