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## PUBLIC NOTICES

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### IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF NESS COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of DONALD D. BERNBECK, a/k/a DONALD DEAN BERNBECK, Deceased

**Case No. NS-2025-PR-000008**

#### NOTICE OF

## PUBLIC NOTICES

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and subsequently on April 10, 2025. Also published at <https://www.nesscountyks.gov/elections/elections-info>

### NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 303, NESS COUNTY, KANSAS (NESS CITY)

The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 303, Ness County, Kansas (Ness City) (the "District"), has adopted a resolution declaring it advisable to acquire, construct, equip and install additions, renovations and improvements (a) to the district junior/senior high school building, including HVAC replacement, roof repairs and improvements, a new physical education and competition gymnasium, locker room, weight room and K-12 FEMA storm shelter addition that connects to the elementary school building, secure entry improvements, renovated office space, and auditorium renovations; and (b) to the district elementary school, including HVAC replacement and electrical system improvements, secure entry and other office area improvements, renovations to other areas, and improvements to accommodate the connecting addition to the junior/senior high school building; to make related site and utility improvements and all other necessary and related improvements; and to pay financing costs of issuance and capitalized interest affiliated with general obligation bonds (collectively, the "Project"), at an estimated cost of \$24,000,000. The costs of the Project are to be paid from general obligation bonds (the "Bonds") of the District. Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of the District that a bond election has been called and will be held on May 6, 2025, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District the following proposition:

Shall the following be adopted?

Shall Unified School District No. 303, Ness County, Kan-

#### HEARING

### THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Trisha L. Anderson, an heir at law of Donald D. Bernbeck, a/k/a Donald Dean Bernbeck, deceased, praying: That descent be determined of the following described undivided mineral interest:

The oil, gas and other hydrocarbons that may be produced from the Northeast Quarter (NE4) of Section

Thirty (30), Township Sixteen (16) South, Range Twenty-five (25) West, Ness County, Kansas, for a term of ten (10) years from July 15, 1990, and as long thereafter as oil and/or gas is produced from the premises or any part of the premises. ("Bernbeck", also known as "Bernbeck A" lease - operated by Mai Oil Operations, Inc.), and all personal property and other real estate owned by decedent at the time of his death.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the 23rd day of April, 2025, at 3:30 o'clock p.m., of said day, in said Court, in the City of Ness City, in Ness County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

TRISHA L. ANDERSON  
PETITIONER  
KEENAN LAW FIRM, P.A.  
2200 Lakin;  
P. O. Drawer 459  
Great Bend, Kansas 67530  
Telephone: (620) 793-7811  
Attorneys for Petitioner

### School District 303 Will Vote At 24th District Courthouse

#### Location 202 W Sycamore, Ness City

The election will be conducted by the officers and/or persons provided by law for holding elections, and the method of voting will be by ballot. Registered voters are eligible to vote by advance voting ballot upon application to the Ness County Clerk at the address set forth below pursuant to K.S.A. 25-1117 et seq.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Capital Improvement Fund ("CIF") has been established in the treasury of the State of Kansas to assist school districts with making principal and interest payments on voted general obligation bond issues. The amount of CIF funding each school district receives is based on a formula prescribed by statute and implemented by the State Board of Education ("Bond State Aid"). Based on the current formula, the District does not receive and does not expect to receive Bond State Aid. No assurance can be given that Bond State Aid will continue at this or any amount in future years.

The following additional information is provided by the District with respect to compliance with the provisions of K.S.A. 10-120a and K.S.A. 12-6,122. This information has been obtained from sources deemed reliable by the District. Certain portions of this information are based upon projections. No assurances can be given that these projections will be accurate as of the date of issuance of the Bonds due to changing market conditions, any changes in assessed valuation of the District, changes in the amount of state financial aid received by the District and other matters unknown or unavailable at this time. The projected rates of property taxation to be used to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds are based upon the current assessed valuation of the District, the assumed principal repayment schedule and the average interest rates from recent bond issues for similar types

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### EARLY VOTING IN PERSON for USD 303 School Bond Election

Ness County will be holding early voting in person in the Ness County Clerk's Office, 202 W. Sycamore, Ness City

Monday thru Friday starting April 28th thru May 2nd from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

#### AND

Monday, May 5th from 9:00 a.m. to Noon.

If you are a registered voter within USD 303 School District you may vote at the location listed above. Remember to bring a valid form of photo ID. If you would like to cast your vote by Advance Mail ballot, please contact the Ness County Clerk's Office for information. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Ness County Clerk's Office at: 785-798-2401.



of financings and the current level of Bond State Aid the District would receive with respect to the Bonds, all as shown below.

#### Projected Summary of Project Costs

##### Sources of Funds

Bonds to be Issued \$24,000,000

Interest Earnings and Reoffering Premium 1,197,738

Total \$25,197,738

##### Uses of Funds

Project Costs (including architectural/engineering services) \$23,890,000

Interest During Construction 955,600

Issuance Expenses (including attorney fees, printing costs, rating agency fees, financial advisor fees, underwriting fees and other miscellaneous expenses) 352,138

Total \$25,197,738

#### Projected Summary of Bond Issue Repayments

Principal payments over 25 years  
Average Interest Rate 4.31%

Total Interest Cost to Maturity \$18,090,907  
Assessed Valuation (2024) \$46,131,337

Average Annual Principal and Interest Payments \$1,683,636

Portion of average annual principal and interest payments from District funds \$1,683,636

#### Average Annual Property Tax Mill Levy Rate for Principal and Interest Payments

Total (without any Bond State Aid) 29.00 Mills  
District Portion (with current level of Bond State Aid) 29.00 Mills

The election officer conducting the election will be the County Clerk of Ness County, Kansas, whose address is 202 W. Sycamore St., Suite 10, Ness City, Kansas 67560.

**DATED March 20, 2025. (SEAL)**  
**Ms. Lori Hertel**  
County Clerk  
Ness County, Kansas

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR REVIEW OF FIVE-YEAR SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

Please take notice that the Board of County Commissioners of Ness County, Kansas will conduct a public hearing on the 21st day of April, 2025 at 10:00 am in the Ness County Commissioners Room at the Courthouse, 202 West Sycamore Ness City, Kansas, to consider the review of the Five-Year Solid Waste Management Plan. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board shall determine whether to adopt the plan as written.

## FARM & LIVESTOCK

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FOR RENT -- Have friends or family coming and need a place to stay? We have a place available. Daily or weekly stays available. Call 785-798-5235 Buffey Wittman. -20tf

FOR RENT -- newly renovated, B & B, 3 BR, 2 Bath, Full Kitchen, very clean and quiet neighborhood, call Kathy at 785-798-5250. -20tf

FOR RENT -- Friends or family visiting and you need more room? We have a short stay two bedroom bungalow for rent. Full kitchen, one bath, clean and comfortable. To book, call us at 785-798-2343 or 785-230-9685. (Formerly Airbnb "Feels Like Home") -20tf

HELP WANTED -- Swift Services, Inc. is looking for pump truck drivers and bulk cement drivers in Hays and Ness City.

We offer a 40 hour guarantee, full family health & dental insurance, 401K, profit sharing, quarterly bonuses, AFLAC, and paid vacation.

Applicants must have or be able to obtain a CDL, have a clean driving record, and pass a pre-employment as well as random drug tests.

To apply, or for more information, please call Derric at 785-798-5623. -20tf

## FARM BUREAU SECTION

Deadline -

Monday 12:00 P.M.

*This column is open to members of Ness County Farm Bureau for miscellaneous ads. It does not include "Business Ads."*

FOR SALE -- 2006 Ford pickup, 2WD, 4.6 l. engine, automatic, runs great, \$8,900. Call Brent Anderson at 785.798.5124. -FB21

HOUSE FOR SALE -- 218 W. Cedar, Ness City, 2-car garage, full finished basement, \$180,000, O.B.O. Call Brent Anderson, 785-798-5124. -FB21

FOR SALE -- 2002 GMC Blue 2WD pickup. 280K, runs good, new AC compressor, new Rack & Pinion assembly, topover with fresh paid on it, roof and hood. \$7,500 O.B.O. Call Brent Anderson at 785.798.5124. -FB21

## AUTO

FOR SALE -- 2012 Ford F-150, 4x4 XLT Crew Cab, tow package, backup camera, heated mirror, radio w/ CD, running boards, remote start, very good condition, 250,000k mostly road miles, Asking \$7,500, no rust, no dents. Fred Flax, 785-731-5270. -21

FOR SALE-- 1930 Model A Ford Truck, \$1,500, O.B.O. No Friday night or Saturday calls, 785-731-5285. -21

## NOTE OF THANKS

The family of Rex Whipple would like to Thank all of those who sent caring thoughts, food and memorials at the time of our loss. Thanks also to those who, in any way, helped with the dinner, and to Joel and Mark for their kind and caring service.

**Randy Whipple and family,**  
**Michelle Shupe**  
**Darwin Whipple**  
**Marvin & Lisa Whipple**  
**Terry & Barbara Harrold & families**