



WWI Memorial
Dedicated to all of those who made the ultimate sacrifice. May they rest in peace.

In Flanders fields, the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place, and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from falling hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it fast;
If ye break faith with us who die,
We shall not sleep, though true
In Flanders fields.

— John McCrae

WWI caused over 40 million casualties (lost, wounded, and missing).
Circle sizes represent the estimated number of casualties during key events.

10,000
10,000-50,000
50,000-100,000
100,000-250,000
250,000-500,000
500,000-1,000,000

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A PANEL FOR A NEW WORLD WAR I MEMORIAL
outside KU's David Booth Kansas Memorial Stadium

Keeping the memorial alive

at David Booth Kansas Memorial Stadium



LEFT: VISITORS TOUR THE NEW MEMORIAL WALK honoring World War I veterans on Wednesday. RIGHT: ONE OF THE PANELS on the new display.



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After more than \$400 million in renovations, University of Kansas officials are calling David Booth Kansas Memorial Stadium “reimagined,” but leaders on Friday will hold a ceremony to ensure one part of its history isn’t forgotten.

KU Chancellor Douglas Girod will be joined by military leaders to rededicate the stadium as a memorial for university service members who lost their lives during World War I.



Girod

MEMORIAL, 2A



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A WORLD WAR I TIMELINE IS SHOWN with KU’s David Booth Kansas Memorial Stadium in the background on Wednesday. The stadium will be rededicated in a ceremony on Friday as a memorial to members of the university community who lost their lives during World War I.

County leaders approve budget for 2026 with lower mill levy than 2025’s

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Douglas County commissioners approved a 2026 budget on Wednesday with a slightly lower property tax rate than the previous year’s, but an increase in the county’s total assessed property values means it still will be collecting more in property tax than it did last year.

During their weekly meeting on Wednesday, county commissioners conducted a public hearing on the budget before unanimously approving it.

BUDGET, 6A

Lawrence leaders plan trip to Ames, the home of Iowa State

They’ll see how another Big 12 community handles economic development, housing issues and more



TOWN TALK

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In the competitive Big 12 Conference, sharing is not a sport, and often isn’t even that appreciated. (Case in point, I’ve heard K-State fans felt their team shared the football too much in last weekend’s season opener.)

But sharing between Big 12 communities is indeed a thing, and Lawrence leaders plan to do it in a big way this fall.

TRIP, 8A

It’s not clear how Trump’s cashless bail order might affect Douglas County

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A Trump administration executive order is threatening to withhold federal funding to communities that offer “cashless bail” programs, but a leader with Douglas County’s Pretrial Supervision

Criminal Justice Services official isn’t sure how much of an impact it might have

program isn’t sure how much of an impact it will have here.

On Monday, President Donald Trump signed the executive order, which claims that allowing cashless bail is a threat to public safety. The order would

terminate federal grants and contracts provided to jurisdictions with cashless bail programs. It instructs Attorney General Pam Bondi to submit within 30 days “a list of States and local jurisdictions that have, in the

Attorney General’s opinion, substantially eliminated cash bail as a potential condition of pretrial release from custody for crimes that pose a clear threat to public safety and order, including offenses involving violent, sexual,

or indecent acts, or burglary, looting, or vandalism.”

It remains to be seen whether Douglas County will end up on such a list.

BAIL, 2A