

From the Fourth District to D.C.: Putting Kansans First - By Representative Ron Estes

Each month I want to provide you with regular updates about what's going on in our nation's capital and throughout the 4th District of Kansas. Here's what happened in March.

Restrictions on Lesser Prairie-Chicken Regulations Removed

In March, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) officially finalized the removal of the lesser prairie-chicken from the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife.

This is a massive win for Kansas and for the hard-working farmers, ranchers and energy producers who have been the true stewards

of our land for generations. For too long, D.C. bureaucrats ignored stable population data to weaponize the Endangered Species Act, attempting a hostile land grab through unscientific and burdensome mandates.

By stripping away these overreaching protections, we are liberating Kansans and protecting American energy independence. I am pleased to see the Trump administration restore local control and private property rights.

We have proven that we can protect our natural resources without a heavy-handed federal government crushing the people who feed and fuel this country.

Ways and Means Committee Hearing with IRS CEO Frank Bisignano

The House Ways and Means Committee held a full hearing where I questioned IRS CEO Frank Bisignano about how modernizing systems are being prioritized so that the biggest-risk and most taxpayer-visible systems are

addressed first. During the hearing I discussed the middle class receiving the largest relief of any income group, and that AARP estimates that seniors will see an average savings of \$1,320 from the senior tax deduction. I also addressed how Kansans are having an easier time filing their taxes due to the boosted standard deduction, and that average refunds are expected to rise nearly \$1,000 compared to last year. In fact, returns so far indicated refunds are up 11% from last year on average.

I also expressed my concerns about the Independence Analysis' study that in 2024 noted that the Biden IRS wasted more than \$39 million just to keep 34 legacy systems on life support. Under President Trump, the IRS cut roughly \$2 billion from his 2025 IT budget without operational disruptions, demonstrating just how bloated the previous spend had become.

I remain committed in my efforts to taxpayer-foc

used modernization and ensuring that middle-class families and workers in Kansas receive meaningful, measurable tax relief.

Introducing Resolution on Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics

I introduced a resolution recognizing the visionary leadership of former Wichita Police Chief Richard LaMunyon and the profound global impact of the Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) for Special Olympics.

In 1979, Chief LaMunyon was inspired by a heartfelt encounter with a Special Olympics athlete to champion the cause. Determined to remove financial barriers for participants, he and his officers launched the LETR in 1981. After demonstrating the program's powerful impact on Special Olympics founder Eunice Kennedy Shriver, LaMunyon received her blessing to take the initiative global.

Today, the LETR stands as the largest grassroots movement for the Spe-

cial Olympics, fostering community and providing lasting stability for athletes everywhere. What began with a modest \$300 raised during that first run in Wichita has now grown into a movement that has raised more than \$1.1 billion to support individuals with intellectual disabilities worldwide.

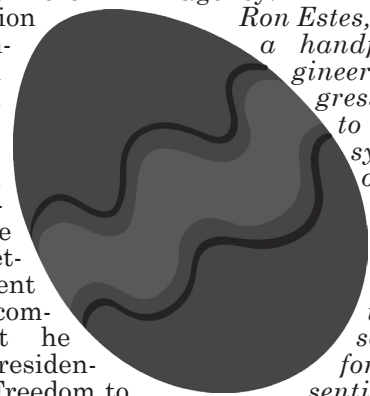
In addition to this resolution, I have written a letter to President Trump recommending that he award the Presidential Medal of Freedom to Chief Richard LaMunyon. His visionary leadership and remarkable contributions have changed the lives of millions, proving that a single spark of local initiative can light the way for the world.

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weekly e-newsletter at estes.house.gov and please don't hesitate to reach out to my District Office in Wichita at 316-262-8992 if you have questions, concerns or need help with a federal agency.

Ron Estes, one of only a handful of engineers in Congress, worked to improve systems and operations in the aerospace, energy and manufacturing sectors before representing Kansas' 4th Congressional District beginning in 2017. He is a fifth-generation Kansan, former state treasurer, and serves on the House Committee on Ways and Means, Budget Committee and Joint Economic Committee. He is the chair of the Social Security Subcommittee and co-chair of the House Aerospace Caucus.



PUBLIC NOTICES "Because The People Must Know"

Wednesday, Mar. 18, 2026 IN THE 13TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT OF GREENWOOD COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF LESLIE ANN SUMMERHOUSE TO CHANGE HIS/HER NAME TO LESLIE ANN ELLIOTT

Case No. 2026CV10 Pursuant To K.S.A. Chapter 60

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL WHO ARE OR MAY BE CONCERNED: You are hereby notified that Leslie Ann Summerhouse, filed a Petition in the above court on the 9th day of March, 2026, requesting a judgment and order changing his/her name from Leslie Ann Summerhouse to Leslie Ann Elliott.

The Petition will be heard in Greenwood County District Court, 311 N. Main St., Eureka, Kansas on the 30th day of April, 2026, at 1 p.m. If you have any objection to the requested name change, you are required to file a responsive pleading on or before April 30, 2026 in this court or appear at the hearing and object to the requested name change. If you fail to act, judgment and order will be entered upon the Petition as requested by Petitioner.

Leslie Ann Summerhouse Petitioner, Pro Se 509 S. 3rd Street Madison, KS 66860 (913)709-0580 (Mar. 18, 25, Apr. 1, 2026)

Easter Egg Coloring Tips

Many families will soon be partaking in a spring-time tradition that has spanned generations: coloring Easter eggs.

While eggs once symbolized fertility and rebirth in Pagan celebrations, they have since come to be associated with Christianity. History.com says

eggs historically were not allowed to be eaten during the 40 days of Lent. Subsequently, they were painted and decorated to mark the end of penance and enjoyed as a treat on Easter Sunday. Britannica also notes that the egg has come to represent the tomb Christ escaped,

much like a chick breaks out of its shell.

Although it may seem like coloring Easter eggs already is a relatively simple project, there are steps that can simplify the process and make eggs more unique.

Remove eggs from the refrigerator. Prior to dyeing eggs, bring them to room temperature by removing them from the fridge about 20 minutes before it's time to start boiling. This minimizes the chances that the egg shells will crack.

Use a pin. Poking a tiny hole into the large ends of the eggs before boiling can release the air pressure inside and prevent the eggs from bursting during boiling.

Keep vinegar on hand. Vinegar is the key to vibrant eggs because it acts as a mordant, which helps the dye bond to the shell. Without vinegar, the egg colors will be pale.

Use a whisk. Instead of potentially breaking eggs when dropping them into dye with fingers or spoons, place the egg inside the wires of a kitchen whisk.

Use protective gear. Children tend to get messy when coloring eggs. Make sure they are dressed in clothes that can get splattered. Also, wearing kitchen dish-washing gloves or latex gloves will keep hands from being stained by dye. Cover tables or counters with a water-resistant sheet or tablecloth to further prevent staining.

Experiment with different dyeing methods. Wrap rubber bands or string around the eggs be-

fore dipping to create geometric shapes and white lines. For a soft, marbled look, mix dye in a tray with shaving cream and roll the egg through. For a speckled appearance, place eggs in a container with dry rice and drops of dye and then shake.

Create a drying station. Letting eggs dry on a paper towel or newspaper can contribute to smears and white spots. Instead, poke flat-head pins into a foam board. Rest the eggs on the pins while they dry.

Create some sheen. When the eggs are completely dry, rubbing them with a drop of vegetable oil on a cloth will shine them up nicely.

Eggs are a traditional component of Easter festivities and decor. A few easy tweaks can make the process go more smoothly and result in vivid and creative eggs.



Unforgettable Anniversary Getaway Ideas

Wedding anniversaries are worthy of celebration no matter how many years have gone by. More than just dates on a calendar; anniversaries are milestones in a couple's shared journey. Although romantic dinners and gifts are always fine ideas, what better way to commemorate love than to jet off to a romantic locale for some one-on-one time?

A recent study by American Express found that 62 percent of couples planned to travel for their anniversaries in the coming year. The WeddingWire 2023 Newlywed Report indicated that couples spend an average of \$2,000 to \$5,000 on their anniversary trips. So where should cele-

bratory couples head to fall deeper in love? These romantic spots are all great options.

Paris, France: Paris is known as the "City of Love" for a reason. History, food and culture collide in this historic European city. Picnics by the Eiffel Tower, moonlit cruises down the Seine, or wandering the streets of Montmartre are all ways to enjoy this location that exudes romance.

The Maldives: The Maldives may be Asia's smallest nation, but this archipelago located in the Indian Ocean boasts sun-kissed beach-

es and turquoise waters, making it a romantic travel paradise. Couples can enjoy private overwater bungalows, candlelit dinners on the sand and vibrant coral reefs just waiting to be explored.

Santorini, Greece: This city, perched atop cliffs overlooking the Aegean Sea, offers breathtaking sunsets and charming alleys perfect for romantic strolls. The iconic white-washed villages are ideal for snapping selfies while enjoying the magic, charm and history of the surrounding areas.

Kyoto, Japan: Once the capital of Japan, this city on the island of Honshu is famous for its

classical Buddhist temples, gardens and imperial palaces. Couples looking for serene and unique romantic experiences can flock here.

Bora Bora, French Polynesia: Famous for its luxurious and secluded resorts and stunning lagoon protected by a coral reef, Bora Bora is an indulgent place to visit. At the island's center rises Mount Otemanu, a dormant volcano that adds to the tropical and mysterious atmosphere.

No matter where couples go, the key to a memorable anniversary excursion lies in shared experiences. Taking the time to travel together is a unique way for couples to bond and celebrate their relationships.



Weekly HOROSCOPES
ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20: Your confidence is at an all-time high, Aries. This is the week to pitch an idea or finally send that text you've been mulling over. The universe is backing your bold moves.
TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21: Taurus, this week you're entering a cycle of "treat yourself." You deserve it right now, so enjoy. Whether it's a brunch out with friends or a mental health day, lean into the experience.
GEMINI - May 22/June 21: Expect a random invitation to create a new connection, Gemini. Your wit is extra sharp this week, so use it to charm the room. Your social calendar is likely to fill up.
CANCER - June 22/July 22: Cancer, the things you have been visualizing are about to materialize. You might feel an urge to organize your space or redecorate. Jump on that opportunity this week.
LEO - July 23/Aug 23: Leo, you have been feeling underappreciated lately, but that ends soon. Expect a moment when your unique talents become the star of the show. It's a great week for travel.
VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22: Virgo, a puzzle that you have been trying to solve finally clicks into place. You are moving among different social circles and it can be tricky to balance it all. Trust your intuition over logic.
LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23: Libra, harmony is an ideal to aspire to this week. If there has been any tension in your circle, you are able to help dissolve it quickly. This is prime time for a date night or friends' dinner.
SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22: Scorpio, people are drawn to you this week, and you have that certain something that is impossible to ignore. Use this influence wisely.
SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21: This week you're in the mood to see what happens and let fate take the lead. Letting go of control might put you in a very fun situation, Sagittarius. Agree to a spontaneous plan.
CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20: This week you are ticking off your to-do list with amazing efficiency, Capricorn. The real magic happens when you sign off of work and head home to great news.
AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18: Aquarius, you are thinking light years ahead of everyone else right now. Share your ideas, however unusual they may be and see who is along for the ride.
PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20: The universe is making you choose whether to enjoy financial riches or riches of the heart this week, Pisces. It can be a tough choice to make, so give it some time.
FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS
MARCH 29: Megan Hilty, Actress (45)
MARCH 30: Celine Dion, Singer (58)
MARCH 31: Ewan McGregor, Actor (55)
APRIL 1: Logan Paul, Social Media Star (31)
APRIL 2: Zach Bryan, Singer (30)
APRIL 3: Eddie Murphy, Comic (65)
APRIL 4: Natasha Lyonne, Actress (47)
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